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SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS (Cont'd.)

Shared: A facility or equipment system or subsystem which can be used simultaneously by several Customers.

Signaling Point: The term "Signaling Point" denotes a switch that is capable of supporting SS7 signaling.

Signaling Point of Interconnection: The term "Signaling Point of Interconnection" denotes the customer designated location, in the same Lata as the Company STP, where SS7 signaling information is exchanged between TCG and the customer.

Signaling Transfer Point: The term "Signaling Transfer Point" denotes a signaling point which routes and/or transfers signaling messages through the common channel signaling network.

Synchronous Optical Network (SONET): A set of International standards for fiber based transmission systems. SONET defines standard optical carrier transmission rates and utilizes a modular multiplexing signal approach based on the application of Synchronous Transport Signals.

Teleport Communications Service: The term "Teleport Communications Service" means any service offered herein.

Type 1 Circuit: Any circuit, including all electronics, that is carried entirely on the TCG maintained network.

US: The fifty United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands, Guam, CNMI and American Samoa. (T)

User: An Authorized User, Customer or Joint User at whose Premises the Company furnishes interstate common carrier service pursuant to general tariff. (T)

SECTION 2 - GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont'd.)**2.5. Payment Arrangements****2.5.1 Payment for Service**

The Customer is responsible for the payment of all charges for facilities and services furnished to the Customer or to authorized or joint users.

2.5.2 Taxes and Other Surcharges**(A) General**

Customer shall pay all sales, use, gross receipts, excise, access, bypass or other local, state and Federal taxes, charges or surcharges, however designated, imposed on or based upon the provision, sale or use of the Services (excluding taxes on Company's net income). Such taxes shall be separately stated on the applicable invoice.

(B) Universal Connectivity Charge

Services provided pursuant to this tariff are subject to an undiscountable monthly Universal Connectivity Charge. The Universal Connectivity Charge ("UCC") will be applied as a percentage against the Customer's total net interstate and international charges, after application of all applicable discounts and credits. With respect to charges billed on or after April 1, 2003, the UCC percentage will be equal to (subject to rounding) the quarterly Universal Service Fund contribution factor established by the Federal Communications Commission and in effect for that bill period. The applicable quarterly contribution factor can be found at:

<http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/contribution-factor-quarterly-filings-universal-service-fund-usf-management-support>

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This change is required by the Federal Communications Commission in a December 13, 2002 decision. In that decision the FCC allows a carrier to recover its Universal Service Fund assessment payments directly from its customers in a separate line item at a rate which does not exceed the applicable USF contribution factor paid by the carrier.

The Federal Communications Commission specifies, on a quarterly basis, what the Universal service fund contribution factor will be and the FCC may change the factor on less than 14 days' notice.

- (1) The Company will waive the Universal Connectivity Charge with respect to specifically identified TCG services to the extent that the Customer demonstrates to TCG's reasonable satisfaction that:

- (a) the Customer either, (i) has filed a Universal Service Worksheet with the Universal Service Administrator covering the twelfth month prior to the month for which the Customer seeks the waiver (i.e., to be eligible for a waiver in September 2002, the Customer must have filed a Universal Service Worksheet

SECTION 2 - GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont'd.)**2.5. Payment Arrangements** (continued)**2.5.2 Taxes and Other Surcharges** (continued)**(E) Property Tax Allotment**

Services provided pursuant to this Service Guide are subject to an un-discountable monthly Property Tax Allotment (PTA) charge. Based on billing availability, the PTA charge is applied to the Customers total net interstate and international charges after the application of all applicable discounts and credits. For Customer bills dated on or after January 1, 2012, the PTA will be 3.17%.

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(F) Federal Regulatory Fee

Beginning with bills rendered on or after January 1, 2012 a Federal Regulatory Fee of 2.44% will be applied to all interstate and US billed international charges, excluding taxes, subject to billing availability, to recover amounts paid to the federal government for regulatory costs and telecommunications services for the hearing impaired.

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2.5.3 Service Date

At such time as Company completes installation or connection of the necessary facilities and/or equipment to provide Teleport Communication Service, the Company shall conduct appropriate tests thereon. Upon successful completion of such tests Company shall notify Customer that such services are available for use, and the date of such notice shall be called the "Service Date" and shall be the starting date for billing.