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### 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

### 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

### 2.3.8 Claims and Demands for Damages (Cont'd)

(B) The customer shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the Telephone Company from and against any suits, claims, losses or damages, including punitive damages, attorney fees and court costs by third persons arising out of the construction, installation, operation, maintenance, or removal of the customer's circuits, facilities, or equipment connected to the Telephone Company's services provided under this tariff, including, without limitation, Workmen's Compensation claims, actions for infringement of copyright and/or unauthorized use of program material, libel and slander actions based on the content of communications transmitted over the customer's circuits, facilities or equipment, and proceedings to recover taxes, fines, or penalties for failure of the customer to obtain or maintain in effect any necessary certificates, permits, licenses, or other authority to acquire or operate the services provided under this tariff; provided, however, the foregoing indemnification shall not apply to suits, claims, and demands to recover damages for damage to property, death, or personal injury unless such suits, claims or demands are based on the tortuous conduct of the customer, its officers, agents or employees.

(C) The customer shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the Telephone Company from and against any suits, claims, losses or damages, including punitive damages, attorney fees and court costs by the customer or third parties arising out of any act or omission of the customer in the course of using services provided under this tariff.

### 2.3.9 Coordination with Respect to Network Contingencies

The customer shall, in cooperation with the Telephone Company, coordinate in planning the actions to be taken to maintain maximum network capability following natural or man-made disasters which affect telecommunications services.

### 2.3.10 Sectionalization and Trouble Reporting

The customer will be responsible for reporting troubles sectionalized to Telephone Company facilities and/or equipment. When trouble cannot be clearly sectionalized to the Telephone Company facilities and/or equipment, the Telephone Company will test cooperatively or independently to assist in trouble sectionalization.

### 2.3.11 Voice Over Internet Protocol – Public Switched Telephone Network Traffic

This section applies to Voice over Internet Protocol – Public Switched Telephone Network (VOIP-PSTN) traffic that is exchanged in time division multiplexing format between the Telephone Company and the customer that originates and/or terminates in Internet Protocol format.

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**3. Carrier Common Line Access Service (Cont'd)**

**3.5 Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge**

Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charges (PICC) compensate the Telephone Company for Telephone Company provided common lines for access to end users.

The PICC is a flat-rated charge assessed on the end user's presubscribed carrier. End user customers who do not select a presubscribed carrier will be billed the PICC. The PICC shall not be applicable to any type of payphone lines (per FCC 03-139, Access Charge Reform Order).

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### 4. End User Access Service (Cont'd)

### 4.6 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

### 4.6.7 Residence Services (S)(x)

#### (A) Single Line and Multiline Service

When an end user is provided local residence exchange service(s) in a state, multiparty service included, and when the local residence exchange service is provided under the general and/or local exchange service tariffs, the EUCL Residence - Individual line or trunk rates as set forth in 4.7.1 following and the ARC Residence - Individual line or trunk rates as set forth in 4.7.4 following apply to each such local residence exchange service. (S)(x)

End user residence common line rates and ARC rates are applied as primary or nonprimary (S)(x)(D)

Until January 1, 1999, the primary residence end user common line rates will apply to only one line when the customer has more than one line billed on a single account for the same service name at the same service address. (D)

Effective January 1, 1999, the designation of primary and nonprimary will be changed as follows. The primary rate is assessed to the residential subscriber line which is any or all of the following:

- 1) the only line provided at that service address; or
- 2) the first line installed at that location. Any additional residence exchange lines at the same service location, regardless of the named subscriber, will be assessed the nonprimary rate; or
- 3) the line designated as the primary by the billed party or parties when multiple exchange lines are ordered at the same time for the same service location.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
- 6.5 Rate Categories, Applications, and Regulations (Cont'd)
- 6.5.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)
- (D) Tandem-Switched Transport (Cont'd)
- (1) (Cont'd)

Transport rates apply to the switched access minutes of use that originate/terminate at a MTSO directly connected to a Telephone Company access tandem or end office. Where the connection is made directly to an end office, Switched Transport rates (Tandem-Switched Transport or Direct-Trunked Transport, as ordered by the customer) shall apply between the end office and the serving wire center of the customer. Where the connection is made directly to a Telephone Company access tandem, Switched Transport rates (Tandem-Switched Transport or Direct-Trunked Transport, as ordered by the customer) shall apply between the Telephone Company access tandem and the serving wire center of the customer. For Telephone Company access tandem connections, Tandem-Switched Transport Facility mileage, if applicable, will be measured from the Telephone Company access tandem to the customer's serving wire center. The Tandem Switching charge shall apply to all minutes of use where the MTSO connection is made directly to a Telephone Company access tandem.

Where Tandem-Switched Transport - Facility is provided by more than one telephone company, the mileage for each will be determined as in 2.7.

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- (2) The Tandem-Switched Transport - Termination rate applies per access minute for each termination (i.e., the access tandem and the end office serving the end user, and the host and remote end office) for all Switched Access Feature Group or Basic Serving Arrangement types.

When both terminations are provided by the Telephone Company, the Tandem-Switched Transport - Termination rate applies twice, including those situations when the terminations are co-located, except where the Tandem-Switched Transport Termination originates or terminates to a Class 4/5 switch.

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7. Special Access Service (Cont'd)

7.2 Rate Categories, Applications, and Regulations (Cont'd)

7.2.6 DS3 High Capacity (Cont'd)

(F) (Reserved for Future Use) (C)

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(G) Upgrades

(1) Upgrade to a Larger Capacity System

At the customer's option, upgrades from a smaller capacity system to a larger capacity system will be allowed. All appropriate NRCs for the larger capacity system will apply. Credit will not be given for any number of months the original system was maintained. A new minimum service period will be required for the larger capacity system.

(2) Technology Migration

A customer subscribing to DS3 High Capacity Service under a minimum service period may disconnect such DS3 High Capacity Service in order to replace it with a Replacing Service pursuant to the Technology Migration regulations set forth in Section 2.9 preceding.