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18. Interconnection Between Collocated Spaces

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18.1 Dedicated Transit Service

Unless otherwise specified herein, general regulations contained in other sections of this tariff apply in addition to the regulations contained in this section.

18.1.1 Description

- (A) The Telephone Company provides Dedicated Transit Service (DTS) which allows a collocating telecommunications carrier to interconnect its network with that of another telecommunications carrier at the Telephone Company's premises and to connect its collocated equipment to the collocated equipment of another telecommunications carrier within the same Telephone Company premises pursuant to Section 251(C)(6) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. DTS is provided between the collocated arrangements (physical and virtual) of the same or of two different Collocators in the same Telephone Company premises using Telephone Company provided distribution facilities. DTS is available at DS1 and DS3/STS1 electrical, or using dark fiber, provided that the collocated equipment is also used for interconnection with the Telephone Company or for access to the Telephone Company's unbundled network elements. In addition, the Telephone Company will also provide other technically feasible cross-connection arrangements, including lit fiber, on an Individual Case Basis (ICB) basis as requested by a collocating telecommunications carrier.
- (B) DTS is only available when both collocated arrangements (either physical or virtual) are within the Telephone Company premises.
- (C) The DTS arrangement requires one Collocator to provide cable assignment information for itself as well as for the other Collocator. The Telephone Company will not make cable assignments for DTS.

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- 18.1.1 Description (Cont'd)
- (D) DTS also allows for one Collocator to connect two of its virtual collocation arrangements in the same Telephone Company premises (virtual collocation cascading arrangement).
- (E) DTS is provided at the same transmission level from Collocator to Collocator.
- 18.1.2 Responsibility of the Collocator
- (A) The ordering Collocator is responsible for all ordering, bill payment, disconnect orders and maintenance transactions and is the customer of record.
- (B) The Collocator ordering DTS must provide a letter of agency from the Collocator to which it is connecting authorizing the connection and facility assignment.
- (C) The ordering Collocator must submit to the Telephone Company written certification that more than ten percent (10%) of the amount of traffic to be transmitted through its DTS connection will be interstate. The Telephone Company will accept the certification unless the Federal Communications Commission grants a Section 208 complaint filed by the company that challenges the certification. (N)

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18.1 Dedicated Transit Service (Cont'd)18.1.3 Rate Regulations

(A) Nonrecurring charges apply for the installation of DTS between collocated arrangements as follows:

(1) A Service Order Charge applies which includes the costs for order placement and issuance provided by the Telephone Company.

(2) A Circuit Provisioning Charge applies which includes the costs for circuit engineering, circuit wiring and turn-up, etc. Provisioning charges apply per DS1 or DS3/STS1 or for the provision of dark fiber.

(B) Monthly rates apply as a transmission-specific recurring rate to each collocated arrangement included in the DTS arrangement.

Cross-Connect Service applies upon service initiation for physical and/or virtual collocation arrangements. Cross-Connect Service rates are set forth in Sections 19.7.1 and 19.7.2 following.

(C) When DTS is provided using lit fiber or other technically feasible cross-connection arrangement for which general tariff rates and charges do not already exist, the rates and charges for DTS will be developed on an Individual Case Basis and filed in Section 18.1.4 following.

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