

INTERSTATE SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICES TARIFF

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SECTION 2- RULES AND REGULATIONS (Cont'd.)

2.7 Transfers and Assignments

Neither the Company nor the Customer may assign or transfer its rights or duties in connections with the services and facilities provided by the Company without the written consent of the other party, except that the Company may assign its rights and duties (a) to any subsidiary, parent Company or affiliate of the Company (b) pursuant to any sale or transfer of substantially all the assets of the Company; or pursuant to any financing, merger or reorganization of the Company.

2.8 Notices and Communications

2.8.1 Where the Company is providing end-office switching, delivery of call to or over Company-switched local exchange services constitutes an order by the Customer to purchase switched access services as described herein. Similarly the selection by a Company's End User of the Customer as the presubscribed IXC constitutes an order of switched access by the Customer. In these cases, an invoice will be the first communication from the Company to the Customer. In other instances a Service Order may be used. Other provisions of this tariff provide similar more general rules applicable to all traffic carried by the Company. (T) (T)

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2.8.2 The Company shall designate on the Service Order an address to which the Customer shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that the Company may designate a separate address, on each bill for service, to which the Customer shall mail payment on that bill. (T)

2.8.3 All notices or other communications required to be given pursuant to this tariff shall be in writing. Notices and other communications of either party, and all bills mailed by the Company, shall be presumed to have been delivered to the other party on the third business day following deposit of the notice, communication, or bill with the U.S mail or a private delivery service, prepaid and properly addressed, or when actually received or refused by the addressee, whichever occurs first. (T)

2.8.4 The Company or the Customer shall advise the other party of any changes to addresses designated for notices, other communications or billing, by following the procedures for giving notice set forth herein. (T)

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**SECTION 2- RULES AND REGULATIONS, (Cont'd.)**

**2.9 Meet Point Billing**

Meet Point Billing applies when more than one Exchange Telephone Company is involved in the provision of Access Service and the Company provides only a portion of those transmission switching and services associated with a rate stated in Section 5 (see Sections 5.4 and 5.5, which defines the elements associated with each rate). Meet point billing does not apply when the Company provides all the transmission, switching, and service associated with a rate stated in Section 5. All recurring and nonrecurring charges for services provided by each Exchange Telephone Company are billed under each company's applicable rates as set forth below. (T)

The Company accepts and adheres to the Ordering and Billing Forum Guidelines, Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing (MECAB) and Multiple Exchange Carrier Ordering and Design (MECOD). (T)

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### SECTION 4- SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE

#### 4.1 General

Switched Access Service involves the use of common terminating, switching and transport facilities. Switched Access Service provides the ability to originate or terminate calls between an End User's Premises and a Customer's Premises. Rates and charges are set forth in Section 5. The application of rates for Switched Access Service is described in Section 5.

With respect to any given call, the Company may furnish all or part of the transmission and switching services needed to connect the End User Premises to the Customer's Premises. Meet point billing applies when the Company provides only a portion of those transmission switching and services associated with a rate stated in Section 5 (see Sections 5.4 and 5.5, which defines the elements associated with each rate, and Section 2.9). In accordance with meet point billing the Company will charge only for the specific access services that it provides or obtains the use of. The Company may furnish services using facilities it owns, leases or otherwise obtains the use of. Other providers may charge the Customer for other portions of the necessary transmission and switching services, and it shall be Customer's responsibility to pay such other provider(s) and reimburse the Company if the Company is required to pay those other providers.

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This tariff applies equally to Circuit-Switched and VoIP Traffic, and the charges for the two are the same unless a specific rate described in this tariff expressly distinguishes between those two traffic types.

The End User Premises may be a conference bridge, in which case the conference call shall be treated as separate calls between each calling party and the conference bridge.

#### 4.2 Provision and Description of Switched Access Service Arrangements

##### 4.2.1 Feature Group Access

FG Access is provisioned at the DS-1 level and provides trunk-side access to Local Switching Center switches, for the Customer's use in originating and terminating communications. Basic FG Access service will be provided with Multi-Frequency In Band Signaling (SS7 is also available, where capabilities exist).

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**4.2 Provision and Description of Switched Access Service Arrangements**

**4.2.1 Feature Group Access (Cont'd)**

All traffic on which the Company provides end-office switching is routed to and from the Company's local switching center via the Customer's tandem provider or via end office trunking, where available. Delivery of calls to, or acceptance of calls from, the Company's End User locations over Company-switched local exchange services shall constitute an agreement by the Customer to purchase switched access services as described herein. The Company reserves the right to require the Customer to submit an ASR for switched access. Other provisions of this tariff provide similar more general rules applicable to all traffic carried by the Company, including traffic on which the Company only provides transport functions and not end-office switching, and therefore does not directly serve the end user.

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**4.2.2 Manner of Provision**

Trunks used for Switched Access Service may be configured for one-way (either originating only or terminating only) or for two-way directionality.

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SECTION 5-SWITCHED ACCESS RATES, (Cont'd.)

**5.4 Rates and Charges where the End User Premises of the calling End User (in the case of originating access) or the called End User (in the case of terminating access) is within Service Area of Hart Telephone Company:** In this situation, the Company's switched access rates are intended to mirror the current interstate switched access rates of the competing Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC), Hart Telephone Company.

**5.4.1 Composite Switched Access Rate**

*(includes End Office Switching, Tandem Switched Termination and Tandem Switched Facility)* (T)  
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**5.4.1.1** Originating Per Access Minute \$0.054498

**5.4.1.2** Terminating Per Access Minute \$0.054498

**5.4.2 Chargeable Optional Features**

**5.4.2.1 Toll-Free 8XX Data Base Query**

Per Query \$0.0080

**5.4.2.2 Paper/Electronic Media Fee**

Customers who elect to receive a paper or CD-ROM version of an invoice will incur a surcharge of \$15.00 per bill.

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SECTION 5-SWITCHED ACCESS RATES, (Cont'd.)

**5.5 Rates and Charges where the End User Premises of the calling End User (in the case of originating access) or the called End User (in the case of terminating access) is not within the Service Area of Hart Telephone Company:** Pursuant to the FCC's Eighth Report and Order, 19 FCC.Rcd. 9108 ¶ 48 (2004) the following rates are intended to be equal or lower than the nationwide average large ILEC rate, except for the Chargeable Optional Features, as the Company's service area for this product is nationwide.

**5.5.1 Composite Transport Access Rate** (T)  
*(includes Tandem Switched Termination and Tandem Switched Facility)* (T)

5.5.1.1 Originating Per Access Minute \$0.007988

5.5.1.2 Terminating Per Access Minute \$0.007988

**5.5.2 End Office Switching** (N)

5.5.2.1 Originating Per Access Minute \$0.003396 (N)

5.5.2.2 Terminating Per Access Minute \$0.003396 (N)

**5.5.3 Chargeable Optional Features** (T)

**5.5.3.1 Toll-Free 8XX Data Base Query** (T)  
Per Query \$0.0080

**5.5.3.2 Paper/Electronic Media Fee** (T)

Customers that elect to receive a paper or CD-ROM version of an invoice will incur a surcharge of \$25.00 per bill.