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3. Carrier Common Line Access Service, Federal Universal Service Charge

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3.1 General Description

Carrier Common Line Access provides for the use of end users' Telephone Company provided common lines by customers for access to such end users to furnish Interstate Communications.

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A Special Access Surcharge, as set forth in 17.5.2 following, will apply to interstate special access service provided by the Telephone Company to a customer, in accordance with regulations as set forth in 7.3 following.

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When the customer is provided an access group to be used in conjunction with the resale of MTS and/or MTS-type services as set forth in 3.6.1 preceding, subject to the limitations as set forth in 3.2 preceding, and the billing entity receives the usage information required as set forth in 3.6.2 preceding, to calculate the adjustment of Carrier Common Line Access charges.

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(A) Apportionment and Adjustment of Resold Minutes of Use

When the customer is provided with more than one access group in a LATA in association with the resale of MTS and/or MTS-type services, the resold minutes of use will be apportioned as follows:

(1) Originating Services

The Telephone Company will apportion the resold originating MTS and/or MTS-type services and originating minutes of use for which the resale credit adjustment applies, among the access groups. Such apportionment will be based on the relationship of the originating usage for each access group to the total originating usage for all access groups in the LATA. For purposes of administering this provision:

Resold originating MTS and/or MTS-type services minutes shall be only those attributable to interstate originating MTS and/or MTS-type minutes and shall not include collect, third number, credit card or intrastate minutes of use.

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The resale credit adjustment shall apply for resold originating MTS and MTS-type services and minutes of use, provided Carrier Common Line and Switched Access Charges have been assessed on such services.

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(2) Terminating Services

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The Telephone Company will apportion the resold terminating MTS and/or MTS-type services and terminating minutes of use for which the resale credit adjustment applies, among the access groups. Such apportionment will be based on the relationship of the terminating usage for each access group to the total terminating usage for all access groups in the LATA. For purposes of administering this provision:

Resold terminating MTS and/or MTS-type services minutes shall be only those attributable to interstate terminating MTS/MTS-type (i.e., collect calls, third number calls, and credit card calls) and shall not include intrastate minutes of use or MTS/MTS-type minutes of use paid for by another party.

The resale credit adjustment shall apply for resold terminating MTS and MTS-type services and minutes of use, provided Carrier Common Line and Switched Access Charges have been assessed on such services.

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(D)(H) Conversion of Billed Usage to Minutes

When the MTS and/or MTS-type usage is shown in hours, the number of hours shall be multiplied by 60 to develop the associated MTS and/or MTS-type minutes of use. If the MTS and/or MTS-type usage is shown in a unit that does not show hours or minutes, the customer shall provide a factor to convert the shown units to minutes.

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3. Carrier Common Line Access Service, Federal Universal Service Charge. (Cont'd) (T)3.8 Rate Regulations3.8.1 Billing of Charges

Carrier Common Line charges will be billed to each Switched Access Service provided under this tariff in accordance with the regulations except as set forth in 3.6.4 preceding (Resale) and 3.8.4 following (PIU). (C)
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3.8.2 Measuring and Recording of Call Detail

When access minutes are used to determine Carrier Common Line charges, they will be accumulated using call detail recorded by Telephone Company equipment except as set forth in 3.8.3 following (Unmeasured FGA and B Usage) and Feature Group C operator and automated operator services systems call detail such as pay telephone sent-paid, operator-DDD, operator-person, collect, credit-card, third number and/or other like calls recorded by the customer. The Telephone Company measuring and recording equipment, except as set forth in 3.8.3 following (Unmeasured FGA and B Usage), will be associated with end office or local tandem switching equipment and will record each originating and terminating access minute where answer supervision is received. The accumulated access minutes will be summed on a line by line basis, by line group or by end office, whichever type of account is used by the Telephone Company, for each customer and then rounded to the nearest minute.

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When Carrier Common Line Access is provided in association with Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Service in Telephone Company offices that are not equipped for measurement capabilities, assumed average interstate access minutes will be used to determine Carrier Common Line Access charges. These assumed access minutes are as set forth in the exchange carriers' access tariffs.

3.8.4 Percent Interstate Use (PIU)

When the customer reports interstate and intrastate use of in-service Switched Access Service, Carrier Common Line charges will be billed only to interstate Switched Access Service access minutes based on the data reported by the customer as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding (Jurisdictional Reports), except where the Telephone Company is billing according to actuals by jurisdiction. Interstate Switched Access Service access minutes will, after adjustment as set forth in 3.6.4 preceding (Resale), when necessary, be used to determine Carrier Common Line Charges.

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3.9 Federal Universal Service Charge

The Federal Universal Service Charge (FUSC) recovers the Telephone Company's contribution to various federal universal service funds. The Telephone Company will apply a surcharge factor each month to the billed charges for interstate access services provided to end users from this Tariff. FUSC will not apply to any billed charges for an end user when the interstate access service provided to the end user qualifies under the federal universal service guidelines for Lifeline Assistance. FUSC will not apply to interstate access services purchased by customers that resell these services to end users as part of an interstate telecommunications service and are required to contribute to the various federal universal service funds. In case of a dispute regarding whether the customer is reselling services and contributing to the various federal universal service funds, the Telephone Company may request a signed certification to that effect from the customer.

3.9.1 Rate Regulations

The FUSC Surcharge Factor is set forth in Section 17.1.2(A), following.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.1 Description and Provision of Switched Access Service Arrangements (Cont'd)(B) Manner of Provision (Cont'd)

Because some customers will wish to further segregate their originating traffic into separate trunk groups, or because segregation may be required by network considerations originating BHMCs are further categorized into Domestic, 700, **Toll Free Code (TFC)** series, and 900. Domestic BHMCs represent access capacity for carrying only domestic traffic other than 700, TFC series, and 900 traffic. 700, TFC series, and 900 BHMCs represent access capacity for carrying, respectively, only 700, TFC series and 900 traffic. When ordering such types of access capacity, the customer must specify Domestic, 700, TFC series or 900 BHMCs.

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(T)6.1.2 Ordering Options and Conditions

Switched Access Service is ordered under the Access Order provisions set forth in 5.2 preceding. Also, included in that section are regulations concerning miscellaneous service order charges which may be associated with Switched Access Service ordering (e.g., Service Date Changes, Cancellations, etc.).

6.1.3 Rate Categories

There are **three** rate categories which apply to Switched Access Service: (C)

- Local Transport (described in 6.1.3(A) following)
- End Office (described in 6.1.3(B) following)
- Chargeable Optional Features (described in 6.1.3(C) following)

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

Direct Trunked Transport is available at all tandems and at all end offices except those end offices identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4. as not having the capability to provide Direct Trunked Transport. Direct Trunked Transport is not available: (1) from end offices that provide equal access through a Centralized Equal Access arrangement, or (2) from end offices that lack recording or measurement capability.

Normally, Direct Trunked Transport of originating 800 series calls from an end office is available only from Service Switching Point (SSP) equipped end offices. However, certain SSP equipped end offices cannot accommodate the direct trunking of the 888 service access code. These end offices are identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4. Additionally, certain non-SSP equipped end offices can accommodate direct trunking of originating **TFC** series calls. These end offices are also identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4. (T)

Unless otherwise ordered by the F.C.C., where the Telephone Company elects to provide equal access through a Centralized Equal Access arrangement, the Telephone Company will designate the serving wire center (SWC). The designated SWC will normally be that wire center which provides dial tone to the telephone company Centralized Equal Access tandem office identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4. When service is provided in cooperation with a non telephone company provider of Centralized Equal Access, the SWC will be that wire center which would normally provide dial tone to the telephone company point of interconnection with the non telephone company provider of Centralized Equal Access specified in the tariff of the Centralized Equal Access provider. Those Telephone Company offices providing equal access through centralized arrangements are identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

Local Transport is provided at the rates and charges set forth in Section 17 following. The application of these rates with respect to individual Feature Groups is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following. When more than one Telephone Company is involved in providing the Switched Access Service, the Local Transport rates are applied as set forth in 2.4.7 preceding.

The Local Transport Rate Category includes **four** classifications of rate elements: (T)
(1) Entrance Facility, (2) Direct Trunked Transport, (3) Tandem Switched Transport, and (4) Multiplexing. (C)

(1) Entrance Facility

The Entrance Facility recovers a portion of the costs associated with a communications path between a customer designated premises and the serving wire center of that premises. Included as part of the Entrance Facility is a standard channel interface arrangement which defines the technical characteristics associated with the type of facilities to which the access service is to be connected at the customer designated premises and the type of signaling capability, if any.

Three types of Entrance Facility are available: (1) Voice Grade 2 or 4 wire (an analog channel with an approximate bandwidth of 300 to 3000 Hz), (2) High Capacity DS1 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 1.544 Mbps) and (3) High Capacity DS3 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 44.736 Mbps). The minimum period for which a DS3 Entrance Facility is provided is twelve months.

One charge applies for each Entrance Facility that is terminated at a customer designated premises. This charge specified in Section 17 following will apply even if the customer designated premises and the serving wire center are collocated in a Telephone Company building.

A customer's Local Transport may be connected to the Entrance Facility of another customer, providing the other customer submits a Letter of Authorization for this connection and assumes full responsibility for the cost of the Entrance Facility.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)(2) Direct Trunked Transport

The Direct Trunked Transport rate elements recover a portion of the cost associated with a communications path between a serving wire center and an end office or serving wire center and a tandem on circuits dedicated to the use of a single customer.

Direct Trunked Transport is available to all tandems and to all end offices except those end offices identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4, Wire Center Information as not having the capability to provide Direct Trunked Transport.

Direct Trunked Transport is not available: (1) from end offices that provide equal access through a Centralized Equal Access arrangement, or (2) from end offices that lack recording or measurement capability.

Normally, Direct Trunked Transport of originating 800 series calls from an end office is available only from Service Switching Point (SSP) equipped end offices. However, certain SSP equipped end offices cannot accommodate the direct trunking of the 888 service access code. These end offices are identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4. Additionally, certain non-SSP equipped end offices can accommodate direct trunking of originating **TFC** series calls. These end offices are also identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4. (T)

Three types of Direct Trunked Transport are available: (1) Voice Grade (an analog channel with an approximate bandwidth of 300 to 3000 Hz), (2) High Capacity DS1 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 1.544 Mbps), and (3) High Capacity DS3 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 44.736 Mbps). The minimum period for which a High Capacity DS3 Direct Trunked Transport is provided is twelve months.

High Capacity DS3 Direct Trunked Transport can not be terminated at end offices that are not identified as hub offices that provide

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)(3) Tandem Switched Transport (Cont'd)

The Tandem Switched Transport rate elements recover a portion of the costs associated with a communications path between a tandem and an end office on circuits that are switched at a tandem switch.

Tandem Switched Transport rates consist of a Tandem Switching rate, a Tandem Switched Facility rate, and a Tandem Switched Termination rate.

In those instances where an SSP equipped end office is capable of handling **TFC** traffic on a direct trunked basis but incapable of handling TFC traffic on a direct trunked basis, a full credit will be provided for tandem switched transport charges associated with FGC and FGD service for 888 traffic delivered at the tandem. This results in all TFC series traffic being rated as direct trunked transport regardless of whether the SSP equipped end office is capable of handling TFC traffic on a direct trunked basis. Those SSP equipped end offices that cannot accommodate direct trunking of originating TFC traffic are identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4, Wire Center Information. (T)

(a) The Tandem Switching rate recovers a portion of the costs of switching traffic through an access tandem. The Tandem Switching rate specified in Section 17 following is applied on a per access minute per tandem basis for all originating and all terminating minutes of use switched at the tandem. Tandem locations are identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4, Wire Center Information. (T)

(b) The Tandem Switched Facility rate recovers a portion of the costs of transmission facilities, including intermediate transmission circuit equipment, between the end points of interoffice circuits. The Tandem Switched Facility rate specified in Section 17 following is applied on a per access minute per mile basis for all originating and terminating minutes of use routed over the facility. (T)

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)(4) Reserved for Future Use

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(5) Multiplexing

DS3 to DS1 Multiplexing charges specified in Section 17 following apply when a High Capacity DS3 Entrance Facility or High Capacity DS3 Direct Trunked Facility is connected with High Capacity DS1 Direct Trunked Transport. The DS3 to DS1 multiplexer will convert a 44.736 Mbps channel to 28 DS1 channels using digital time division multiplexing.

DS1 to Voice Grade Multiplexing charges apply when a High Capacity DS1 Entrance Facility or High Capacity DS1 Direct Trunked Facility is connected with Voice Grade Direct Trunked Transport. However, a DS1 to Voice Grade Multiplexing charge does not apply when a High Capacity DS1 Entrance Facility or High Capacity DS1 Direct Trunked Transport is terminated at an electronic end office and only Switched Access Service is provided over the DS1 facility (i.e., Voice Grade Special Access channels are not derived). The DS1 to Voice Grade multiplexer will convert a 1.544 Mbps channel to 24 Voice Grade channels.

Multiplexing is only available at wire centers identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4, Wire Center Information.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)(A) Local Transport (Cont'd)(8) Chargeable Optional Features

Common Channel Signaling, Signaling System 7 (CCS/SS7) Network Connection (CCSNC) Service provides a signaling path between a customer's designated Signaling Point of Interface (SPOI) and a Telephone Company's Signaling Transfer Point (STP). CCSNC is provided as set forth in 6.10.5 following.

TFC Data Base Access Service is provided to all customers in conjunction with FGC and FGD switched access service. A Basic or Vertical Feature Query charge, as set forth in Section 17 following, is assessed for each completed query returned from the 800 data base whether or not the actual call is delivered to the customer. The query is considered completed when the appropriate call routing information is returned to the Service Switching Point (SSP) that launched the query. The Basic Query provides the identification of the customer to whom the call will be delivered and includes area of service routing which allows routing of TFC series calls by telephone companies to different interexchange carriers based on the Local Access Transport Area (LATA) in which the call originates. The Vertical Feature Query provides this same customer identification function in addition to vertical features which may include: (1) call validation (ensuring that calls originate from subscribed service areas); (2) POTS translation of TFC series numbers (which is generally necessary for the routing of TFC series calls); (3) alternate POTS translation (which allows subscribers to vary the routing of 800 series calls based on factors such as time of day, place of origination of the call, etc.); and (4) multiple carrier routing (which allows subscribers to route to different carriers based on factors similar to those in (3)).

(B) End Office

The End Office rate category establishes the charges related to the local end office switching and end user termination functions necessary to complete the transmission of Switched Access communications to and from the end users served by the local end office. The End Office rate category includes the Local Switching and Information Surcharge rate elements.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)(B) End Office (Cont'd)(1) Local Switching

The Local Switching rate element establishes the charges related to the use of end office switching equipment, the terminations in the end office of end user lines, and the terminations of calls at Telephone Company Intercept Operators or recordings. The charge is divided into two distinct categories, i.e., Local Switching 1 and Local Switching 2. The first category, Local Switching 1, is applicable to Feature Groups A and B.. Local Switching 1 does not apply to:

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- Feature Groups A and B when utilized to provide MTS/WATS service, and
- Feature Groups A and B used for terminating inward WATS and WATS-type service at an equal access WATS Serving Office.

The second category, Local Switching 2, is applicable to:

- Feature Groups C and D, and
- Feature Groups A and B when utilized to provide MTS/WATS service.
- Feature Groups A and B used for terminating inward WATS and WATS-type service at an equal access WATS Serving Office.

Local Switching does not apply to Feature Groups B and D Switched Access Services associated with Wireless Switching Center (WSCs) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office.

Where end offices are appropriately equipped, international dialing may be provided as a capability associated with Local Switching 2 which provides local dial switching for Feature Groups C and D. International dialing provides the capability of switching international calls with service prefix and address codes having more digits than are capable of being switched through a standard FGC or FGD equipped end office.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)(B) End Office (Cont'd)(1) Local Switching (Cont'd)(c) Line Termination

Line Termination provides for the terminations of end user lines in the local end office. There are two types of Line Terminations, i.e., Common Line Terminations and Special Access Service Terminations utilized in the provision of WATS or WATS-type services at Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices.

The above Special Access Service Terminations are differentiated by line side vs. trunk side terminations. In addition, there are various types of originating and terminating line side terminations depending on the type of signaling associated with the Special Access Service. Line side terminations are available with either dial pulse or dual tone multifrequency address signaling.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont')6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)(C) Chargeable Optional Features

Where facilities permit, the Telephone Company will, at the option of the customer, provide the following chargeable optional features.

(1) Interim NXX Translation

The Interim NXX Translation rate element provides for customer identification of non-data base services when calls are directed by end users in the 1+SAC+NXX-XXXX (e.g., 1+900+NXX-XXXX) format. The NXX codes are assigned to specific customers in conformance with the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). NXX code assignment(s) will be made by the Bellcore NANP Coordinator. The Telephone Company will use the NXX code to identify the customer to whose point of termination the traffic is to be delivered, (i.e., at appropriately equipped electronic end offices, access tandems or through contracted arrangements with other parties.) It is then the responsibility of the customer to do any further translation the customer deems necessary to route the call. Customer assigned NXX codes which have not been ordered will be blocked.

(2) Toll Free Code (TFC) Data Base Access Service (T)

TFC Data Base Access Service is provided to all customers in conjunction (T)
with FGC and FGD switched access service. When a TFC series call is (T)
originated by an end user, the Telephone Company will utilize the Signaling (T)
System 7 (SS7) network to query a TFC data base to identify the customer (T)
to whom the call will be delivered and provide vertical features based on the
dialed ten digits. The call will then be routed to the identified customer over
FGC or FGD switched access. The TFC series includes the following (T)
service access codes: 800, 888, 877, 866, 855, 844, 833 and 822.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont')6.1 General (Cont'd)6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)(C) Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)(2) Toll Free Code (TFC) Data Base Access Service (Cont'd) (T)

A Basic or Vertical Feature Query charge, as set forth in 17.2.2(B) following, is assessed for each query launched to the data base which identifies the customer to whom the call will be delivered. The Basic Query provides the identification of the customer to whom the call will be delivered and includes area of service routing which allows routing of TFC series calls by telephone companies to different interexchange carriers based on the Local Access Transport Area (LATA) in which the call originates. The Vertical Feature Query provides the same customer identification as the basic query and vertical features which may include: (1) call validation, (ensuring that calls originate from subscribed service areas); (2) POTS translation of TFC series numbers; (3) alternate POTS translation (which allows subscribers to vary the routing of TFC series calls based on factors such as time of day, place or origination of the call, etc.); and (4) multiple carrier routing (which allows subscribers to route to different carriers based on factors similar to those in (3)). (T)

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)(B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)(3) Service Rearrangements

All changes to existing services other than changes involving administrative activities and the off-hook supervisory signaling of FGA Access Services, will be treated as a discontinuance of the existing service and an installation of a new service. The nonrecurring charge described in (1) preceding will apply for this work activity. Moves that change the physical location of the point of termination are described and charged for as set forth in 6.4.4 following.

If, due to technical limitations of the Telephone Company, a customer could not combine its Interim NXX traffic with its other trunk side Switched Access Services, no charge shall apply to combine these trunk groups when it becomes technically possible.

Administrative changes will be made without charge(s) to the customer. Administrative changes are as follows:

- Change of customer name,
- Change of customer or customer's end user premises address when the change of address is not a result of a physical relocation of equipment,
- Change in billing data (name, address, or contact name or telephone number),
- Change of agency authorization,
- Change of customer circuit identification,
- Change of billing account number,
- Change of customer test line number,
- Change of customer or customer's end user contact name or telephone number, and
- Change of jurisdiction.

Other changes made without charge to the customer are as follows:

- Changes and additions to existing Switched Access Services which are necessary due to Telephone Company initiated network reconfigurations, and required to provide the same grade of service to the customer that existed prior to the reconfiguration. Charges will apply to those changes and additions which are in excess of those required to provide the same grade of service and/or capacity. Grade of service will be as determined by industry standard engineering tables.
 - When a customer requests a change of trunks from tandem-switched transport to direct-trunked transport or orders the disconnection of over-provisioned trunks, the nonrecurring charges set forth in (1) preceding do not apply providing:
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- the orders to disconnect existing trunks and to connect new trunks are placed at the same time.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)(C) Application of Rates

The application of rates is dependent upon the Feature Group, type of Entrance Facility, type of transport (e.g., Direct Trunked Transport, Tandem Switched Transport, type of Multiplexing). The following rules provide the basis for applying the rates and charges:

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(1) Rate Application

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Rates apply to all FGC access minutes when the service is provided to customers which furnish interstate MTS/WATS, to all access minutes that originate or terminate at end offices equipped. Rates also apply to FGB and FGD access minutes that originate or terminate at a Wireless Switching Center (WSC) that is directly connected to a Telephone Company access tandem office. In addition, rates apply to FGA and FGB access minutes when utilized in the provision of MTS/WATS service.

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(1) Premium Rates (Cont'd)

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In addition, rates always apply to the following Local Transport rate elements:

- Entrance Facility
- Direct Trunked Facility
- Direct Trunked Termination
- Multiplexing
- Tandem Switched Facility
- Tandem Switched Termination
- Tandem Switching

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6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

(C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)

(4) Unmeasured FGA and FGB Access Services

Where originating and/or terminating measurement capability does not exist for Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Services provided to the first point of switching, the number of access minutes that will be assumed are as set forth following in 6.5.4 and 6.6.4 respectively.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)(C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)(6) Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7 (CCS/SS7) Network Connection Service

The CCS/SS7 Network Connection is comprised of a Signaling Mileage Facility charge, a Signaling Mileage Termination charge, a Signaling Entrance Facility charge, and a Signaling Transfer Point (STP) Port charge.

The Signaling Mileage Facility charge is assessed on a per facility per mile basis. The Signaling Mileage Termination charge is assessed on a per termination basis (i.e., at each end of the Signaling Mileage Facility). When the Signaling Mileage Facility mileage measurement is zero, Signaling Mileage Termination charges do not apply.

The Signaling Entrance Facility charge is assessed on a per facility basis for the connection between the customer's designated premises (Signaling Point of Interface) and the serving wire center of that premises.

The STP Port charge is assessed on a per port basis for each termination of a Signaling Mileage Facility at an STP.

(7) Toll Free Code (TFC) Data Base Access Service

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A Basic Query or Vertical Feature Query charge applies for each completed query returned from the data base identifying the customer to whom the call will be delivered whether or not the actual call is delivered to the customer. The query is considered completed when the appropriate call routing information is returned to the Service Switching Point (SSP) that launched the query. Query charges, as set forth in Section 17, will only be applied by those companies whose wire centers are identified as assessing query charges in the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4.

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When Feature Group C or Feature Group D switched access service is used for the provision of TFC Data Base Access Service and the total minutes of use and/or count of queries can be determined for each customer at a tandem or SSP but can not be determined by individual end office, an allocation method will be utilized to determine minutes of use and/or queries by end office and customer. For each end office a ratio will be developed and applied against the total minutes of use and/or count of queries for a given customer as determined by the tandem or SSP. These ratios will be developed by dividing the unidentified originating TFC series minutes of use at an end office by the total unidentified originating minutes of use in all end offices subtending the tandem or SSP. For example, assume: (T)

-Three end offices (EO-1, EO-2, and EO-3) subtend a tandem

EO-1 measures 2,000 minutes of TFC use	(T)
EO-2 measures 3,000 minutes of TFC use	(T)
EO-3 measures <u>5,000</u> minutes of TFC use	(T)
10,000 TOTAL	

- The tandem delivers TFC usage to two customers: (T)

IC-A has 4,000 minutes of use
IC-B has 6,000 minutes of use

-The allocation ratio for EO-1 is 20%

2,000/10,000

-The minutes of use to be billed by EO-1 are

800 to IC-A (20% X 4,000)
<u>1,200</u> to IC-B (20% X 6,000)
2,000 TOTAL

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.4.6 Mileage Measurement

The mileage to be used to determine the monthly rate for Local Transport is calculated on airline distances between the end office switch, which may be a Remote Switching Module, (where the call carried by Local Transport originates or terminates) and the customer's serving wire center. When Direct Trunked Transport is ordered between the serving wire center and the end office, mileage is normally measured in one segment from the serving wire center to the end office. When Direct Trunked Transport is ordered between a serving wire center and a tandem and Tandem Switched Transport is ordered between the tandem and the end office, mileage is calculated separately for each segment. Exceptions to these methods are as set forth in (B) through (I) following. For SS7 signaling, the mileage to be used to determine the monthly rate for the Signaling Mileage Facility is calculated on the airline distance between the serving wire center associated with the customer's designated premises (Signaling Point of Interface) and the Telephone Company wire center providing the STP Port.

Where applicable, the V&H coordinates method is used to determine mileage. This method is set forth in the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4 for Wire Center Information (V&H coordinates).

Mileage rates are as set forth in Section 17 following. To determine the rate to be billed, first compute the airline mileage using the V&H coordinates method. If the calculation results in a fraction of a mile, always round up to the next whole mile before determining the mileage and applying the rates. Then multiply the mileage by the appropriate rate.

Exceptions to the mileage measurement rules are as follows:

(A) Feature Group A - Originating Usage

Direct Trunked Transport Mileage for access minutes in the originating direction over Feature Group A Switched Access Service will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method. The mileage measurement will be between the first point of switching (end office switch where the Feature Group A switching dial tone is provided) and the customer's serving wire center for the Switched Access Service provided.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)

6.6.1 Description (Cont'd)

(H) When all FGB switching arrangements are discontinued at an end office and/or in a LATA, an intercept announcement is provided. This arrangement provides, for a limited period of time, an announcement that the service associated with the number dialed has been disconnected.

(I) For FGB switched access service to a Wireless Switching Center (WSC) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer will be billed only the Local Transport rate element for the FGB usage. The mileage used to determine the monthly rate for the local transport rate element is as set forth in 6.4.6(G) preceding.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC)6.7.1 Description

- (A) FGC Access provides trunk side access to Telephone Company end office switches for the customer's use in originating and terminating communications. Originating and terminating FGC Access is available to providers of MTS and WATS. Originating FGC Access is available to all customers when used to provide the Interim NXX Translation optional feature or **TFC** Data Base service. (T)
Terminating FGC access is available to all customers other than providers of MTS and WATS when such access is used in conjunction with the provision of the Interim NXX Translation optional feature or TFC Data Base service, but only for purposes of testing. Existing FGC Access will be converted to Feature Group D Access when Feature Group D Access becomes available in an end office. (T)
Special Access Services utilized for connection with FGC at Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices as set forth in Section 7. following may be ordered separately by a customer other than the customer which orders the FGC Switched Access Service (i.e., a provider of MTS and WATS) for the provision of WATS Services. Special Access Services are ordered as set forth in 5.2 preceding.
- (B) Feature Group C switching is provided at all end office switches unless Feature Group D end office switching is provided in the same office. When FGD switching is available, FGC switching will not be provided. FGC is provided at Telephone Company end office switches on a direct trunk basis or via Telephone Company designated access tandem switches. Feature Group C switching is furnished to providers of MTS and WATS. Additionally, originating Feature Group C switching is available to all customers when used to provide 800 Data Base service. Terminating Feature Group C switching is available to all customers who are not MTS and WATS providers only when such terminating access is for purposes of testing Feature Group C facilities provided in conjunction with 800 Data Base Service.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)6.7.1 Description (Cont'd)

- (G) The Telephone Company will establish a trunk group or groups for the customer at end office switches or access tandem switches where FGC switching is provided. When required by technical limitations, a separate trunk group will be established for each type of FGC switching arrangement provided. Different types of FGC or other switching arrangements may be combined in a single trunk group at the option of the Telephone Company.
- (H) Unless prohibited by technical limitations the providers of MTS and WATS may, at their option, combine Interim NXX Translation and/or **TFC** Data Base traffic in the same trunk group arrangement with their non-Interim NXX Translation traffic. When required by technical considerations, or when provided to a customer other than the provider of MTS and WATS, or at the request of the customer (i.e., provider of MTS and WATS), a separate trunk group will be established for Interim NXX Translation traffic and/or 800 Data Base. (T)
- (I) FGC switching is provided with multifrequency address signaling or out of band SS7 signaling where technically feasible. With multifrequency address signaling and SS7 signaling, up to 12 digits of the called party number dialed by the customer's end user using dual tone multifrequency or dial pulse address signals will be provided by Telephone Company equipment to the customer's premises where the Switched Access Service terminates. Such address signals will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)6.7.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer traffic to end offices will be measured (i.e., recorded) by the Telephone Company at end office switches or access tandem switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured or imputed by the Telephone Company to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

For terminating calls over FGC when measurement capability exists, the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes. For originating calls over FGC, chargeable originating access minutes are derived from recorded minutes in the following manner:

Step 1: Obtain recorded originating minutes and messages from the appropriate recording data.

Step 2: Obtain the total attempts by dividing the originating measured messages by the completion ratio. Completion ratios (CR) are obtained separately for the major call categories such as DDD, operator, **TFC** series, 900, directory assistance and international from a sample study which analyzes the ultimate completion status of the total attempts which receive acknowledgment from the customer. That is, Measured Messages divided by Completion Ratio equals Total Attempts. (T)

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)6.8.1 Description (Cont'd)

- (H) FGD switching will be arranged to accept calls from telephone exchange service locations without the need for dialing the 10XXX or 101XXXX uniform access code. Each telephone exchange service line may be marked with a code to identify which 10XXX or 101XXXX code its calls will be directed to for interLATA service.
- (I) Unless prohibited by technical limitations, the customer's Interim NXX Translation and/or **TFC** Data Base traffic may, at the option of the customer, be combined in the same trunk group arrangement with the customer's non-Interim NXX Translation and/or TFC Data Base traffic. When required by technical limitations, or at the request of the customer, a separate trunk group will be established for Interim NXX Translation and/or 800 Data Base traffic. (T)
- (J) When a customer has had FGB access in an end office and subsequently replaces the FGB access with FGD access, at the mutual agreement of the customer and the Telephone Company, the Telephone Company will direct calls dialed by the customer's end users using the customer's previous FGB access code to the customer's FGD access service. The customer must be prepared to handle normally dialed FGD calls, as well as calls dialed with the FGB access code which requires the customer to receive additional address signaling from the end user. Such calls will be rated as FGD. The Telephone Company may, with 90 days' written notice to the customer, discontinue this arrangement. (T)
- (K) For FGD switched access service to a Wireless Switching Center (WSC) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer will be billed only the Local Transport rate element for the FGD usage. The mileage used to determine the monthly rate for the local transport rate element is as set forth in 6.4.6(G) preceding. (C)

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.10 Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)6.10.3 Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)(C) **Toll Free Code (TFC) Data Base Access Service**

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TFC Data Base Access Service is provided with FGC or FGD Switched Access Service. When a 1+800series+NXX-XXXX call is originated by an end user, the Telephone Company will utilize the Signaling System 7 (SS7) network to query an 800 data base to perform the identification function. The call will then be routed to the identified customer over FGC or FGD switched access. The TFC series includes the following service area codes: 800, 888, 877, 866, 855, 844, 833 and 822.

(T)

The manner in which TFC data base access service is provided is dependent on the availability of SS7 service at the end office from which the service is provided as outlined following:

(T)

- When 800 data base access service originates at an end office equipped with Service Switching Point (SSP) capability for querying centralized data bases or at a non-SSP equipped end office that can accommodate direct trunking of originating TFC series calls, all such service will be provisioned from that end office.

(T)

- When TFC data base access service originates at an end office not equipped with SSP customer identification capability, the TFC series call will be delivered to the access tandem on which the end office is homed for TFC series service and which is equipped with the SSP feature to query centralized data bases.

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(T)

- When TFC data base access service originates at an end office equipped with SSP capability that is not capable of accommodating direct trunking of originating 888 calls, the 888 call will be delivered to the access tandem on which the end office is homed and which is equipped with the SSP feature to query centralized data bases.

(T)

Query charges as set forth in Section 17 following are in addition to those charges applicable for the Feature Group C or Feature Group D switched access service.

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7. Special Access Service (Cont'd)7.9 High Capacity Service7.9.1 Basic Channel Description

A High Capacity channel is a channel for the transmission of nominal 64.0 Kbps* or 1.544, or 44.736 Mbps isochronous serial data. The actual bit rate is a function of the channel interface selected by the customer. High Capacity channels are provided between customer designated premises or between a customer designated premises and a Telephone Company hub or hubs. In addition, 1.544 Mbps and 44.736 Mbps High Capacity Service channels may be provided between a customer designated premises and a Telephone Company designated ADSL Access Service Connection Point and/or between a customer designated premises and a wire center equipped with Asynchronous Transfer Mode Cell Relay Access Service.

(D)
(D)

A channel with technical specifications package HC1 will be capable of an error-free second performance of 98.75% over a continuous 24 hour period as measured at the 1.544 Mbps rate through a CSU equivalent which is designed, manufactured, and maintained to conform with the specifications contained in Technical Reference PUB 62411.

Rates and charges for Special Access High Capacity Service are as set forth in Section 17 following.

* Available only as a channel of a 1.544 Mbps facility to a Telephone Company Digital Data hub or as a cross connect of two 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 56.0 or 64.0 Kbps channels of two 1.544 Mbps facilities to a Digital Data hub(s). The customer must provide system and channel assignment data.

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17. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)17.4 Switched Access Service17.4.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Premium Access</u> (Cont'd)		<u>USOC</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Tariff Reference</u>
(3)	<u>Tandem Switched Transport</u>			6.1.3(A)(3)
	<u>Tandem Switched Facility</u>			
	- Per Access Minute Per Mile	LTF		(T)
	Originating		\$0.000012	(T)
	Terminating		\$0.000012	(T)
<u>Tandem Switched Termination</u>				
	- Per Access Minute Per Termination	LTT		
	Originating		\$0.000011	(T)
	Terminating		\$0.000011	(T)
				(T)
<u>Tandem Switching</u>				
	- Per Access Minute Per Tandem	LTTAN		
	Originating		\$0.006756	(T)
	Terminating		\$0.006756	(T)
				(T)
(4)	<u>Reserved for Future Use</u>			(C)
				(D)
(5)	<u>Multiplexing</u>			6.1.3(A)(5)
	Per Arrangement			
	DS3 to DS1	MUX31	\$226.25	
	DS1 to Voice	MUX10	\$176.00	
	DS1 to DS0	MUX10	\$176.00	
(B)	<u>Reserved for Future Use</u>			(C)
				(D)
				(D)
(C)	<u>Network Blocking</u> (Applies to FGD only)			
	- Per Blocked Call	NBCPC	\$0.0076	6.8.6

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17. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)17.4 Switched Access Service17.4.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)(D) Common Channel Signaling Network Connection

	<u>USOC</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Tariff Reference</u>
(1) <u>Signaling Network Access Link</u>			6.10.3
<u>Signaling Mileage Facility</u>			
Per Mile			
DS0	CCCMF	\$0.05	
DS1	C1CMF	\$2.00	
<u>Signaling Mileage Termination</u>			
Per Termination			
DS0	CCCMT	\$0.80	
DS1	C1CMT	\$3.50	
<u>Signaling Entrance Facility</u>			
Per Facility			
DS0	CCSEF	\$14.75	
DS1	C1SEF	\$70.00	
Per Mile, Over 3 Miles			
DS1	CSEFPM	N/A	
(2) <u>STP Port</u>			
Per Port	STPPT	\$605.07	
(E) <u>TFC Data Base Access Service Queries</u>			6.10.3 (T)
Per Query			
Basic	800B	\$0.006723	
Vertical Feature	800V	\$0.006723	

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17. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)17.4 Switched Access Service17.4.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)(F) Dedicated Trunk Port

	<u>Access Tandem</u> <u>Dedicated Trunk Port</u> <u>Voiceband</u> <u>Monthly Rate, Per Channel</u>	<u>Access Tandem</u> <u>Dedicated Trunk Port</u> <u>DS1</u> <u>Monthly Rate, Per Channel</u>
Each	\$16.77	\$7.89

(G) Shared Multiplexing DS3-DS1

	<u>Per Minute Rate</u>	(T)
Originating	\$0.000009	(T)
Terminating	\$0.000009	(T)

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17. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)17.4 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)17.4.3 End Office

(A) <u>Local Switching</u>	<u>USOC</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Tariff Reference</u>
(1) Local Switching 1 and 2 EOLS1/EOLS2			(C)
- Per Access Minute			6.1.3(B)(1)
Originating		\$0.005011	(T)
Terminating		\$0.005011	(T)
			(D)
			(D)
(B) <u>Reserved for Future Use</u>			(C)
			(D)
			(D)
(C) <u>Shared Trunk Port</u> Each		<u>Per Access Minute</u>	(T)
Originating		\$0.001997	(T)
Terminating		\$0.001997	(T)
(D) <u>Dedicated Trunk Port</u>		<u>Per Month</u>	
DS1 Port, per channel		\$0.12	
Voice Grade Port, per channel		\$2.47	

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17. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)17.5 Special Access Service (Cont'd)17.5.8 High Capacity Service (Cont'd)(C) Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)(2) Automatic Loop Transfer
Per arrangement¹USOC Monthly
 Rate

HCALT N/A

(3) Transfer Arrangement
(key activated² or Dial-Up³)
Per four port arrangement including
control channel termination⁴

HCTA N/A

(D) Reserved for Future Use(C)
(D)
|
(D)(E) Clear Channel Capability
Per 1.544 Mbps transmission path

CCCC N/A

(F) ADSL Access Service Connection
Per 1.544 Mbps
Per 44.736 Mbps
Per OC3USOC Monthly Nonrecurring
 Rate Charge
\$90.00 \$170.00
\$539.85 \$555.00
- See 17.6.9 following(G) Shared SONET Ring Interoffice Transport
Per DS3 Channel Mileage Facility

None

¹ An additional Channel Termination charge will apply whenever the spare line is provided as a leg to the customer designated premises.² The key activated control channel is rated as a Metallic Channel Termination and Channel Mileage, if applicable.³ The Dial-Up option requires the customer to purchase the Controller arrangement from 13.3.4 preceding.⁴ An additional Channel Termination charge will apply whenever a spare channel is configured as a leg to the customer premises. Additional channel mileage charges will apply when the transfer arrangement is not located in the customer designated premises serving wire center.(D)
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