
 INTERSTATE ACCESS SERVICE

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SECTION 2 – DEFINITIONS

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff for the Access Services of this Company are defined below.

ACCESS CODE - Denotes a uniform code assigned by the Company to an individual Customer. The code has the form 10XXX, 10XXXXX, 950-0XXX, or 950-1XXX.

ACCESS MINUTES - Denotes that usage of exchange facilities in interstate service for the purpose of calculating chargeable usage.

ACCESS TANDEM - A switching system that provides a traffic concentration and distribution function for originating or termination traffic between end offices and a Customer's premises.

ANSWER SUPERVISION - The transmission of the switch trunk equipment supervisory signal (off-hook or on-hook) to the Customer's point of termination as an indication that the called party has answered or disconnected.

CALL - A Customer attempt for which the complete address code is provided to the service end office.

CARRIER OR COMMON CARRIER - Any individual, partnership, association, corporation or other entity engaged in interstate communication for hire by wire or radio between two or more exchanges.

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CHANNEL - A communications path between two or more points of termination.

COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM - Denotes channels and other facilities which are capable of communications between terminal equipment provided by other than the Company.

CUSTOMER - Any individual, partnership, association, corporation or other entity which uses the services offered under this tariff, including both Interexchange Carriers and End Users.

COMPANY - AmeriMex Communications Corp.

CUSTOMER DESIGNATED PREMISES - The premises specified by the Customer for termination of Access Services.

DUAL TONE MULTIFREQUENCY (DTMF) - Tone signaling, also known as touch tone signaling.

END OFFICE/CENTRAL OFFICE SWITCH - A switching system that sets up and takes down voice-grade communications paths, and routes between End Users and Carriers, or between two End Users, and that exchanges signaling with other switches on the PSTN.

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SECTION 4 - SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE4.1. General

Switched Access Service, which is available to Customers for their use in furnishing their services to End Users, provides a two-point electrical communications path between a Customer's premises and an End User's premises. It provides for the use of common terminating, switching and trunking facilities of the Company. Switched Access Service provides for the ability to originate calls from an End User's premises to a Customer's premises. Switched Access Service is provisioned in a Feature Group D configuration from Company-designated Feature Group D equipped end offices.

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The application of rates for Switched Access Service is described below. Rates and charges for services other than Switched Access Service, e.g., a Customer interLATA toll message service, may also be applicable when Switched Access Service is used in conjunction with these other services.

Two types of Switched Access Service are available:

- 1) Tandem Connect Access: This option applies when the customer has no direct facilities to the End Office. Traffic is routed to and from the End Office via the Access Tandem. Delivery of calls to, or acceptance of calls from, the Customer's End User location(s) via Company-provided Tandem Connect Access services shall constitute a Constructive Order and an agreement by the Customer to purchase the Company's switched access services as described and priced herein.
- 2) Direct Connect Access: This option applies when the Company or another service provider provides dedicated facilities between the Customer's premises and the End Office. This transmission path is dedicated to the use of a single Customer. The Company requires the Customer to submit an ASR or comparable documentation for the dedicated portion of Direct Connect Access. The dedicated portion of Direct Connect Access is provided on an Individual Case Basis as Special Arrangements pursuant to Section 6 of this tariff.

4.2. Rate Components

There are three rate categories which apply to Switched Access Service:

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- End Office Switching (includes Switched Transport)
- Tandem Switching (may include other Switched Transport elements)
- Toll-Free 8XX Data Base Access Service

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SECTION 4 - SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE (continued)

4.2. Rate Components (continued)

4.2.1 End Office Switching

The Company combines traditional per minute end office and transport switched access rate elements into a single composite per minute rate element. This element includes the following rate categories: (T)

A. Reserved for Future Use (T)
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B. Switched Transport

The Switched Transport rate category establishes the charges related to the transmission facilities between the customer designated premises and the end office switch(es) where the customer's traffic is switched to originate or terminate the customer's communications. The Switched Transport rate category also includes transport between an end office which serves as host for a remote switching system or module (RSS or RSM) and the RSS or RSM or its equivalent. (T)

C. End Office Switching

The End Office Switching rate category establishes the charges related to the use of end office switching equipment, the terminations of calls at Company Intercept Operators or recordings, the Signaling Transfer Point (STP) costs, and the SS7 signaling function between the end office and the STP. (T)

4.2.2 Tandem Switching (N)

The Tandem Switching category establishes the charges for utilizing tandem switching and any associated switched transport functions. |
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4.2.3 800 Database Access Service (T)

This service provides for the (a) forwarding of End User dialed 800 calls to the Company which will initiate a query to identify the appropriate Customer to whom the call should be forwarded and (b) translation of the dialed 800 number to a ten digit NPA-NXX-XXXX telephone number.

