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1. APPLICATION OF TARIFF

1.1 This tariff contains regulations, rates and charges applicable to the provision of Carrier Common Line, End User Access, Switched Access, Special Access Digital Subscriber Line Access, Universal Service Fund and other miscellaneous services, hereinafter referred to collectively as service (s). These services are provided to customers by each issuing carrier of this tariff (hereinafter the Telephone Company). This tariff also contains Access Ordering regulations and charges that are applicable when these services are ordered or modified by the customer.

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1.2 The provision of such services by the Telephone Company as set forth in this tariff does not constitute a joint undertaking with the customer for the furnishing of any service.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)

(A) (Cont'd)

(2) Meet Point Billing (Cont'd)

(c) Determination of Meet Point Billed Local Transport, Directory Transport and Channel Mileage Charges (Cont'd)

(iv) For Feature Groups A, B, C and D Direct Trunked Transport:

multiply the number of airline miles, as set forth in (i) preceding, times the BP for each Telephone Company, as set forth in (iii) preceding, times the Direct Trunked Facility rate.

The Direct Trunked Termination rate is applied as set forth in 6.1.3(A) following. The Switched Access Nonrecurring Charges are applied as set forth in 6.4.1(B) following. (Note: The BP is not applied to either the Switched Access Direct Trunked Termination rate or any Nonrecurring Charge).

(v) For Feature Groups A, B, C and D

- When the end office (which may be a Remote Switching Module or WATS Serving Office) is located within the operating territory of a Telephone Company participating in NECA's Traffic Sensitive Pool, multiply the Residual Interconnection Charge rate times the number of originating and terminating access minutes that are switched at the end office.

- When the Entrance Facility and/or Multiplexing equipment is located within the operating territory of a Telephone Company participating in NECA's Traffic Sensitive Pool, multiplexing charge will apply.

The Billing Percentage (BP) is not applicable to the Entrance Facility or Multiplexer.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.7 Access Services Provided by More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)

(2) Meet Point Billing (Cont'd)

(C) Determination of Meet Point Billed Local Transport, Directory Transport and Channel Mileage Charges (Cont'd)

(ix) Example-Switched Access (Cont'd)

The following example reflects the rate calculations for TC-A, a Telephone Company participating in NECA's Traffic Sensitive Pool. Rates for a Non-Traffic Sensitive Pool member company would appear in that company's access tariff.

Assume:

Airline miles (ALM) TC A premises to TC B
Serving Wire Center = 22.1, rounded = 23.

Billing Percentage (BP)

TC A = 80% TC B = 20%

Access Minutes (AM) = 9000

Tandem Switched Facility Rate = TSF

Tandem Switched Termination Rate = TST

Tandem Switching Rate = TS

Carrier Common Line Charge = CCL

End Office Charges = EO

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(ix) Example - Switched Access (Cont'd)

Telephone Company A charges are:

Tandem Switched Facility charge

= 9,000 min. x 23 mi. x 80% x TSF rate

Tandem Switched Termination charge

= 9,000 min. x TST rate

Tandem Switching charge

= 9,000 min. x TS rate

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Carrier Common Line charge

= 9,000 min. x CCL rate

End Office Charges

= 9,000 min. x EO rates

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3. Carrier Common Line Access Service and Federal Universal Service Charge (Cont'd)

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 the FUSC Surcharge Factor each month to the billed charges for interstate access services provided to end users from this Tariff.

The FUSC Surcharge Factor will not apply to any billed charges for an end user when the interstate access provided to the end user qualifies under the federal universal service guidelines for the Lifeline Assistance Program. The FUSC Surcharge Factor 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.

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The FUSC Surcharge Factor is found in Sections 17.1.1(C), 18.1.1(C) and 19.1.1(C).

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4. End User Access Service

The Telephone Company will provide End User Access Service (End User Access) to end users who obtain local exchange service from the Telephone Company under its general and/or local exchange tariffs.

4.1 General Description

End User Access provides for the use of an End User Common Line (EUCL) and an Access Recovery Charge (ARC). Use of a subscriber line is provided twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week.

4.2 Limitations

(A) Exclusions

Neither a telephone number nor detail billing is provided with End User Access. Directory listings and Intercept arrangements are not included with End User Access.

(B) Lifeline Assistance Program

The federal Lifeline Assistance Program is designed to provide a credit to monthly end user access charges for qualifying low income residential subscribers. When a carrier is designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier for the Lifeline Assistance Program and when an eligible residential end user qualifies for the Lifeline Assistance Program in association with local residential exchange service of that carrier, the EUCL and ARC Residence rates as set forth in 17.1.1, 18.1.1 and 19.1.1, following, are waived.

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4.3 Undertaking of the Telephone Company

The Telephone Company will provide End User Access at rates and charges as set forth in rate sections following.

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(A) End User Common Line (EUCL)

Use of a EUCL by an end user in connection with interstate Access Services is provided under this tariff. Such use will be provided when the end user obtains local exchange service.

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(B) Access Recovery Charge (ARC)

The ARC is assessed when an end user or reseller obtains local exchange service from the Telephone Company, and is a per month rate that is assessed to the end user or reseller of the associated local exchange service.

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4. End User Access Service (Cont'd)

4.6 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

4.6.7 Residence Services

(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 and ARC Residence - Individual line or trunk rate as set forth in rate sections following, applies to each such local residence exchange service. In the case of multiparty service each party is deemed to be a user of a EUCL and ARC. These charges will be waived for Residence customers who receive Lifeline Assistance Program benefits.

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(B) Centrex CO and CO-Like Dormitory Service

Regulations concerning the application of EUCL and ARC charges to student or faculty dormitory (residential) quarters served by Centrex CO or CO- like service are set forth in 4.6.4(C) preceding.

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4. End User Access Service (Cont'd)

4.6 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

4.6.8 Reserved For Future Use

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4.6.9 Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) Services

(A) ISDN Basic Rate Interface (BRI)

When an end user is provided residence or business local exchange service under any general and/or local exchange service tariff(s) using an Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) Basic Rate Interface (BRI) arrangement, one (1) EUCL and ARC Residence-Individual line or trunk charge or one (1) EUCL and ARC Single Line Business-Individual line or trunk charge as set forth in Section 17.1.1(A) or (B), 18.1.1(A) or (B), or 19.1.1(A) or (B), following, applies to each ISDN BRI arrangement.

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(B) ISDN Primary Rate Interface (PRI)

When an end user is provided residence or business local exchange service under any general and/or local exchange service tariff(s) using an Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) Primary Rate Interface (PRI) arrangement, five (5) EUCL and ARC Multiline Business- Individual line or trunk charges as set forth in Section 17.1.1(A) or (B), 18.1.1(A) or (B), or 19.1.1(A) or (B), following, following, apply to each ISDN PRI arrangement.

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5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.2 Ordering Requirements

5.2.1 Switched Access Service

When ordering Switched Access Service, the customer must specify whether the service is to be provided as (1) Direct Trunked Transport to the end office or (2) Direct Trunked Transport to a tandem which connects with Tandem Switched Transport from the tandem to the end office. When all or a portion of service is ordered as Direct Trunked Transport, the customer must specify the type and quantity of Direct Trunked Transport facility (e.g., Voice Grade or High Capacity DS1 or DS3). (T)

The customer must also specify the type of Entrance Facility to be used for Switched Access (e.g., Voice Grade or High Capacity). For High Capacity Entrance Facility, the customer must specify the facility assignment and the channel assignment for each trunk. (T)

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, (2) from end offices that lack recording or measurement capability.

Normally, Direct Trunked Transport of originating Toll Free Service Access Code (e.g. 800, 888, etc.) calls from an end office is available only from Service Switching Point (SSP) equipped end offices. However, certain non-SSP equipped end offices can accommodate direct trunking of originating Toll Free Service Access Code (e.g. 800, 888, etc.) calls. These end offices are also identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc., Tariff F.C.C. No. 4.

When the customer has both Tandem Switched Transport and Direct Trunked Transport at the same end office, the customer will be provided Alternate Traffic Routing as set forth in 6.4.6 following.

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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5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.4.3 Access Order Change Charges (Cont'd)

(A) Service Date Change

The customer may request a change of service date on a pending Access Order prior to the service date. A change of service date is a change of the scheduled service date by the customer to either an earlier date or a later date which does not exceed 60 calendar days from the original service date. (C)

If the Telephone Company determines that the customer's request can be accommodated without delaying the service dates for orders of other customers, the service date will be changed and the Service Date Change Charge, as set forth in rate sections following, will be applied to the order.

If the service date is changed to an earlier date, the customer will be notified by the Telephone Company that Expedited Order Charges as set forth in 5.1.2 preceding apply. Such charges will apply in addition to the Service Date Change Charge.

If the requested service date exceeds 60 calendar days following the original service date, and the Telephone Company determines that the customer's request can be accommodated, the Telephone Company will cancel the original order and apply the Cancellation Charges as set forth in 5.5.3 following. A new Access Order with a new service date will be issued. The Service Date Change Charge will not apply, however the Access Order Charge will apply to the new order. (C)

If the service date is changed due to a design change as set forth in (B) following, the Service Date Change Charge will apply.

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5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.5 Minimum Period and Cancellations (Cont'd)

5.5.2 Development of Minimum Period Charges (Cont'd)

The Minimum Period Charge for part-time Video and Program Audio Services is the applicable daily rate for the appropriate channel type as set forth in 7.2.4 following.

5.5.3 Cancellation of an Access Order

(A) A customer may cancel an Access Order for the installation of service on any date prior to the service date. The cancellation date is the date the Telephone Company receives written or verbal notice from the customer that the order is to be cancelled. The verbal notice must be followed by written confirmation within 10 days. If a customer or a customer's end user is unable to accept Access Service within 30 calendar days after the original service date, the customer has the choice of the following options:

- The Access Order shall be cancelled and charges set forth in (B) following will apply or,
- Billing for the service will commence.

In such instances, the cancellation date or the billing date, depending on which option is selected by the customer, shall be the 31st day beyond the original service date of the Access Order.

For all orders placed before the effective date of this tariff, December 2, 2016, the preceding ordering options will be in effect. For all orders placed on or after the effective date of this tariff, December 2, 2016, the following ordering options will be in effect.

A customer may cancel an Access Order for the installation of service at any time prior to notification by the Telephone Company that service is available for the customer's use. The cancellation date is the date the Telephone Company receives written or verbal notice from the customer that the order is to be canceled. The verbal notice must be followed by written confirmation within 10 days. If a customer or a customer's end user is unable to accept Access Service within 30 calendar days of the latest agreed upon service date (i.e. firm order confirmation date), the customer has the choice of the following options:

- The Access Order will be canceled and charges set forth in (B) following will apply if the service has not been fully provisioned; or
- The Access Order will be completed and billing for the service will commence if the service has been fully provisioned or the customer has indicated that billing for the service should begin.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

The following diagram depicts a generic view of the components of Switched Access Service and the manner in which the components are combined to provide a complete Access Service.

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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)

When the customer has both Tandem Switched Transport and Direct Trunked Transport at the same end office, the customer will be provided Alternate Traffic Routing as set forth in 6.4.6 following.

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 Toll Free Service Access Code (e.g. 800, 888, etc.) calls from an end office is available only from Service Switching Point (SSP) equipped end offices. However, certain non-SSP equipped end offices can accommodate direct trunking of originating Toll Free Service Access Code (e.g. 800, 888, etc.) calls. These end offices are also identified in National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4.

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. 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)

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Local Transport is provided at the rates and charges set forth in rate sections 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 classes of rate elements: (1) Entrance Facility, (2) Direct Trunked Transport, (3) Tandem Switched Transport, and (4) Multiplexing.

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(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 rate sections 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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