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### **SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS (CONT'D.)**

#### **Company Calling Card**

A telephone calling card issued by the Company at the Customer's request, which enables the Customer or User(s) authorized by the Customer to place calls over the Network and to have the charges for such calls billed to the Customer's account.

#### **Company Facilities (3<sup>rd</sup> Party Tandem Provider)**

Switched Transport rates apply to terminating traffic that traverses a tandem switch that is not owned by the Company (the terminating carrier) or its affiliates.

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#### **Credit Card**

A Credit Card is an accepted credit card, which is defined as a credit card that the cardholder has requested or applied for and received, or has signed, used or authorized another person to use to obtain credit. Any credit card issued as an renewal or substitute in accordance with this paragraph is an accepted credit card when received by the cardholder.

#### **Customer**

Denotes the person, firm or corporation which directly, indirectly, or constructively orders or otherwise receives access service under this Tariff and is responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with the Company's regulations. Should a Customer use the Company's access service as specified in this Tariff, regardless of whether the Customer has affirmatively requested service or has an executed service order, the Customer will be subject to the obligations, rates, and charges set forth in this Tariff.

#### **Customer-Designated Premises**

The Premises at which a Customer is deemed to receive or deliver traffic for origination or termination of Access Services, as applicable, including third-party tandem sites designated by Customer for this purpose.

#### **End Office Switching**

Denotes a switching function to interconnect End User connections (including connections that have been concentrated at a Remote Switching Location) with each other or with trunks. The Company may provide End Office Switching at the same switching center from which it provides Tandem Switching or other intermediary switching functions.

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**SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS (CONT'D.)**

**Signal Transfer Point (STP)**

The term "Signal Transfer Point (STP)" denotes a packet switch which provides access to the Telephone Company's SS7 network and performs SS7 message signal routing and screening.

**Signal Transfer Point (STP) Port**

The term "Signal Transfer Point (STP) Port" denotes the point of termination and interconnection to the STP.

**Tandem Switching**

Denotes switching between two or more carriers or other intermediary switching functions. The Company may provide Tandem Switching in the same location at which End Office Switching is provided.

**Toll Free**

A term to describe an inbound communications service which permits a call to be completed at a location without charge to the calling party. Access to the service is gained by dialing a ten (10) digit telephone number (e.g. NPA is 800, 888, etc.).

**UNE-P Switched Transport**

Service that traverses a tandem switch that is not owned by the company or its affiliated but is connected through a UNE-P configuration.

**Universal Emergency Telephone Number (911) Service**

Wherever feasible, the Company will provide a universal Central Office number "911" for the use of Public Safety Agencies having the responsibility to protect the safety and property of the general public. It is intended that use of 911 Service will provide the public with a means of simple and direct telephone access to a Public Safety Answering Point.

**User**

A Customer or any other person or entity who uses service provided under this Tariff.

**VoIP Provider**

For the purposes of this Tariff, any service provider, including but not limited to carriers, that originates and/or terminates traffic in Internet protocol ("IP") format.

**VoIP Provider Partner**

Any VoIP Provider that uses the Company's services to exchange traffic with the PSTN.

**VoIP-PSTN Traffic**

Traffic exchanged between the Company and a Customer in Time-Division-Multiplexing format that originates and/or terminates in IP format.

**Wire Center**

A building in which one or more Central Offices, used for the provision of Exchange Services, are located.

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