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2. GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.11 Jurisdictional Reports Verification

- A. For Switched Access Service, if a billing dispute arises concerning the PSU, the Company will ask the Customer to provide the data the Customer uses to determine the PSU. The Customer will supply the data within thirty (30) days of the Company request.
- B. The Customer shall keep records of call detail from which the PSU can be ascertained and, upon request of the Company, shall make the records available for inspection as reasonably necessary for purposes of verification of the percentages. The Company reserves the right to conduct an audit at any time during the year.

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2. GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.17. Definitions (Cont'd)

C-Notched Noise

The term "C-Notched Noise" denotes the C-message frequency weighted noise on a voice channel with a holding tone, which is removed at the measuring end through a notch (very narrow band) filter.

Coin Station

See Pay Telephone.

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Common Line

The term "Common Line" denotes a line, trunk, pay telephone line or other facility provided under the general and/or local exchange service Tariffs of the Company, terminated on a central office switch. A common line-residence is a line or trunk provided under the residence regulations of the General and/or Local Exchange Service Tariffs. A common line-business is a line provided under the business regulations of the General and/or Local Exchange Service Tariffs.

Common Channel Signaling

The term "Common Channel Signaling" (CCS) denotes a high speed packet switched communications network which is separate (out of band) from the public packet switched and message networks. Its purpose is to carry addressed signaling messages for individual trunk circuits and/or database related services between signaling points in the CCS network.

Communications System

The term "Communications System" denotes channels and other facilities which are capable of communications between terminal equipment provided by other than the Company.

Customer(s)

The term "Customer(s)" denotes any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, corporation, or governmental entity or other entity which subscribe to the services offered under this Tariff, including both Interexchange Carriers (ICs) and End Users.

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2. GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.17. Definitions (Cont'd)

Exit Message

The term "Exit Message" denotes an SS7 message sent to an end office by a Telephone Company's tandem switch to mark the Carrier Connect Time when a Telephone Company's tandem switch sends an Initial Address Message to an interexchange customer.

Expected Measured Loss

The term "Expected Measured Loss" denotes a calculated loss which specifies the end-to-end 1004-Hz loss on a terminated test connection between two (2) readily accessible manual or remote test points. It is the sum of the inserted connection loss and test access loss including any test pads.

Extended Area Service

See Exchange.

First Point of Switching

The term "First Point of Switching" denotes the first Telephone Company or centralized equal access provider location at which switching occurs on the terminating path of a call proceeding from the Customer designated premise to the terminating end office and, at the same time, the last Telephone Company or centralized equal access provider location at which switching occurs on the originating path of a call proceeding from the originating end office to the Customer designated premise.

Frame

The term "Frame" denotes a group of data bits in a specific format, which enables network equipment to recognize the meaning and purpose of the specific bits.

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2. GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.17. Definitions (Cont'd)

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Frequency Shift

The term "Frequency Shift" denotes the change in the frequency of a tone as it is transmitted over a channel.

Host Central Office

The term "Host Central Office" denotes an electronic local Telephone Company End Office where Telephone Exchange Service Customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks. Additionally, this type of End Office contains the central call processing functions which service itself and its Remote Switching Modules/Systems.

Hub

A wire center at which bridging or multiplexing functions are performed for Customers served out of any wire center.

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2. GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.17. Definitions (Cont'd)

On-hook

The term "On-hook" denotes the idle condition of Switched Access or a Telephone Exchange Service line.

Open Circuit Test Line

The term "Open Circuit Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides an ac open circuit termination of a trunk or line by means of an inductor of several Henries.

Originating Direction

The term "Originating Direction" denotes the use of access service for the origination of calls from an End User Premise to an IXC Premise.

Pay Telephone

The term "Pay Telephone" denotes a coin or coinless instrument provided in a public or semipublic place where Payphone Service Provider Customers can originate telephonic communications and pay the applicable charges by (1) inserting coins into the equipment, or (2) using a credit card, or (3) third party billing the call or (4) calling collect.

Payphone Service Provider

The term "Payphone Service Provider" denotes any entity that provides pay telephone service, which is the provision of public, semi-public or inmate pay telephone service.

Point of Termination

The term "Point of Termination" denotes the point of demarcation within a Customer-designated premise at which the Company's responsibility for the provision of Access Service ends.

Premise

The term "Premise" denotes a building or buildings on continuous property (except Railroad right-of-way, etc.) not separated by a public highway.

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2. GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.17. Definitions (Cont'd)

Signaling Point of Interface (SPOI)

The term "Signaling Point of Interface (SPOI)" denotes the Customer designated location where the SS7 signaling information is exchanged between the Company and the Customer.

Signaling System 7 (SS7)

The term "Signaling System 7 (SS7)" denotes the layered protocol used for standardized common channel signaling in the United States and Puerto Rico.

Signal Transfer Point (STP)

The term "Signal Transfer Point (STP)" denotes a packet switch which provides access to the 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.

Signaling Return Loss

The term "Signaling Return Loss" denotes the frequency weighted measure of return loss at the edges of the voiceband (200 to 500 Hz and 2500 to 3200 Hz), where singing (instability) problems are most likely to occur.

Special Order

The term "Special Order" denotes an order for a Directory Assistance Service.

Subtending End Office of an Access Tandem

The term "Subtending End Office of an Access Tandem" denotes an end office that has final trunk group routing through that tandem.

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INTERSTATE DOMESTIC ACCESS SERVICES**3. ACCESS ORDERING****3.1 General**

This section sets forth the regulations and order related charges for Access Service Requests (ASR) for Switched Access Services as defined in this Tariff. These charges are in addition to other applicable charges set forth in other sections of this Tariff. (C)

An Access Order is an order to provide the Customer with Switched Access or Access Related Service or to provide changes to existing services. (C)

3.1.1 Ordering Conditions

All services offered under this Tariff will be ordered using an ASR. The format and terms of the ASR will be as specified in the Industry Access Service Order Guidelines, unless otherwise specified herein. A Customer may order any number of services of the same type and between the same premises on a single access order. All details for services for a particular order must be identical.

The Customer shall provide all information necessary for the Company to provide and bill for the requested service. When placing an order for Access Service, the Customer shall provide the following minimum information:

- A. Customer name and premise address(es).
- B. Billing name and address (when different from Customer name and address).
- C. Customer contact name(s) and telephone number(s) for the following provisioning activities: order negotiation, order confirmation, interactive design, installation and billing.

The order date is the date on which the Company receives a firm commitment and sufficient information from the Customer to allow processing of the ASR.

3.1.2 Service Installation

The Company will provide the Access Service in accordance with the Customer's requested service date, subject to the constraints established by the Company schedule of applicable service dates.

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3. ACCESS ORDERING (Cont'd)

3.1 General (Cont'd)

3.1.2 Service Installation (Cont'd)

The Company shall make available to all Customers, upon request, a schedule of applicable service intervals for Switched Access Services. The schedule shall specify the applicable service intervals for services and the quantities of services that can be provided by a requested service date. Any associated material will be provided upon request and within a reasonable period of time. (C)

The Company at its option, may not accept orders for service dates which exceed the applicable service date by more than six (6) months.

Access Services will be installed during Company business days. If a Customer requests that installation be done outside of scheduled work hours, and the Company agrees to this request, the Customer will be subject to applicable Additional Labor Charges as set forth in Section 10 following. This also applies to non-routine installation and special construction as set forth in Section 2.

3.1.3 Expedited Orders

When placing an access order, a Customer may request a service date that is prior to the assigned service date. A Customer may also request an earlier service date on a pending or negotiated access order. If the Company agrees to provide the service on an expedited basis, an Expedited Order Charge will apply in addition to the additional labor cost or extraordinary costs that are required to meet the requested service date. The Company will provide the Customer with an estimate of additional cost. Upon the Customer's agreement, the Company will proceed with the requested service date.

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3. ACCESS ORDERING (Cont'd)

3.1 General (Cont'd)

3.1.3 Expedited Orders (Cont'd)

A Customer may request a change of end user premise within the same serving wire center. If the Customer requests an earlier service date, an Expedited Order Charge will apply.

When the request for expediting occurs subsequent to the issuance of the access order, a Service Date Change Charge as set forth in Section 17.4.1(B) following will also apply.

When an expedited service date is missed, the Expedited Order Charge will apply unless the missed service date is caused by the Company

3.1.4 Selection of Facilities for Access Orders

The option to request a specific transmission path or channel is only as provided for under special facilities routing as set forth in Section 8 following. (C)

When there are high capacity facilities to a hub on order or in service for the Customer's use, the Customer may request a specific channel or transmission path be used to provide the Switched Access Service requested in an access order. The Company will make a reasonable effort to accommodate the Customer request. (C)

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3. ACCESS ORDERING (Cont'd)

3.2 Ordering Requirements

An ASR is required by the Company to provide a Customer both Switched Access Service, as described herein. An ASR will be required for each new similar service arrangement or group of common circuits. (C)

3.2.1 Switched Access Service

- A. When a Customer requests new or additional Switched Access Services, one (1) or more access orders may be required. The number of orders required is dependent on the type of services and/or facilities being requested.
- B. When placing an order for service, the Customer shall specify whether the service is to be provided as direct trunked transport or tandem switched transport, as described in Section 5.1.3 following.

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3. ACCESS ORDERING (Cont'd)

3.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

3.2.3 SS7 Optional Feature

When FGD Switched Access Service is ordered with the SS7 optional feature, the Customer shall specify a reference to existing signaling connections or reference a related SS7 signaling connection order. When ordering SS7 signaling, the Customer shall provide the Signaling Transfer Point (STP) codes, location identifier codes and circuit identifier codes. In addition, the Customer shall work cooperatively with the Company to determine the number of SS7 signaling connections required to handle its signaling traffic.

3.2.4 800 Data Base Access Service

For 800 Data Base Access Service, as described in Section 5.4.5 (c) following, the Customer must order FGD to those access tandems or end offices designated as Service Switching Points (SSP) for 800 data base service or to those non-SSP equipped end offices that can accommodate direct trunking of originating 800 calls. All traffic originating from end offices not equipped to provide SS7 signaling and routing or not able to accommodate direct trunking of originating 800 calls require routing via an access tandem where SSP functionality is available.

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3.2.6 Miscellaneous Services

Testing Service, Maintenance of Service, Telecommunications Service Priority and Additional Labor shall be ordered with an Access Order or may subsequently be added to a pending order at any time up to and including the service date for the Access Service, with the agreement of the Company.

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3. ACCESS ORDERING (Cont'd)

3.3 Access Orders For Services Provided By More Than One Company (Cont'd)

For the service(s) ordered as set forth following, the Customer must also supply a copy of the order to the Company in whose operating territory a Customer designated premise is located and any other Company(s) involved in providing the service.

- A. For Feature Group D Switched Access Services, the Customer must place an order with the Company in whose territory the end office is located. Customers may, at their option, order FGD to the access tandem. When ordered to the access tandem, and the access tandem and the end office are not in the same Company operating territory, the Customer must also supply a copy of the order to each additional Company subtending the access tandem.

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INTERSTATE DOMESTIC ACCESS SERVICES**3. ACCESS ORDERING (Cont'd)****3.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)****3.4.2 Miscellaneous Service Order Charge (Cont'd)**

The charge applies to the following services described in Section 10.

- Overtime Repair;
- Testing and Maintenance with Other Companies other than when in conjunction with Acceptance Testing;
- Other Labor; and
- Maintenance of Service.

The Miscellaneous Service Order Charge will also apply to the following services if they are ordered subsequent to the initial installation of the associated access service, thereby necessitating the issuance of another service order:

- Telecommunications Service Priority;

The charge does not apply to the following services since there would exist a pending service order:

- Additional Engineering;
- Overtime Installation;
- Standby;
- Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing.

3.4.3 Access Order Change Charges

Access Order changes involve service date changes and design changes. The Customer may request a change of its Access Order prior to the service date. The Company will make every effort to accommodate a requested change when it is able to do so with the normal work force assigned to the order and within normal business hours. If the change cannot be made with the normal work force during normal business hours, the Company will notify the Customer. If the customer still desires the Access Order change, the Company will schedule a new service date.

Any increase in the number of Switched Access Service lines, trunks, or CCS/SS7 Port Terminations will be treated as a new Access Order (for the increased amount only). (C)

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3. ACCESS ORDERING (Cont'd)

3.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)

3.4.3 Access Order Change Charges (Cont'd)

B. Design Change (Cont'd)

The Company will review the requested changes, notify the customer whether the change is a design change, if the change can be accommodated and if a new service date is required. If the Customer authorizes the Company to proceed with the design change, a Design Change Charge will apply in addition to the charge for Additional Engineering as set forth in Section 17. If a change of service date is required, the Service Date Change Charge will also apply.

A Design Change Charge will apply, on a per order, per occurrence basis.

3.5 Minimum Periods and Cancellations

3.5.1 Minimum Periods

- A. Switched Access usage rate services (i.e. End Office Common Line, Tandem Switched Transport) have no minimum period.

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3. ACCESS ORDERING (Cont'd)

3.5 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)

3.5.1 Minimum Periods (Cont'd)

C. The following charges will be treated as a discontinuance of the existing service and a request for installation of a new service. All associated non-recurring charges will apply for the new service, and a new minimum period will be established.

1. A change in the identity of the Customer of record;
2. A move by the Customer to a different building;
3. A change in type of service;
4. A change in Switched Access Service Interface (i.e. DS1 or DS3);
5. A change in Switched Access Service Traffic Type;

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D. All applicable non-recurring charges for the service will be billed in addition to the Minimum Period Charge.

3.5.2 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 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 ten (10) days. If a Customer or a Customer's end user is unable to accept Access Service within thirty (30) calendar days after the original service date, the Customer has the choice of the following options:

1. The Access Order shall be canceled and charges set forth in paragraph B. following will apply; or
2. 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 thirty- first (31st) day beyond the original service date of the Access Order.

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3. ACCESS ORDERING (Cont'd)

3.5 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)

3.5.2 Cancellation of an Access Order (Cont'd)

- B. When a Customer cancels an Access Order for the installation of service, a Cancellation Charge will apply as follows:
 - 1. Installation of Switched Access Service facilities is considered to have started when the Company incurs any cost in connection therewith or in preparation thereof which would not otherwise have been incurred.
 - 2. Where the Customer cancels an Access Order prior to the start of installation of access facilities, no charges shall apply.
 - 3. Where installation of access facilities has been started prior to the cancellation, the charges specified in paragraphs (a) or (b) following, whichever is lower, shall apply.
 - (a) A charge equal to the costs incurred in such installation, less estimated net salvage. Such costs include the non-recoverable cost of equipment and material ordered, provided or used, plus the non-recoverable cost of installation and removal including the costs of engineering, labor, supervision, transportation, rights-of-way and other associated costs; or
 - (b) The minimum period charges for Switched Access Service ordered by the Customer. (C)
- B. When a Customer cancels an order for the discontinuance of service, no charges apply for the cancellation.
- C. If the Company misses a service date by more than thirty (30) days and such delay is not requested or caused by the Customer (excluding those circumstances where the date is missed due to acts of God, governmental requirements, work stoppages and civil commotion), the Customer may cancel the Access Order without incurring cancellation charges

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7. SPECIAL FACILITIES ROUTING OF ACCESS SERVICE

7.1 Description

The services provided under this Tariff are provided over such routes and facilities as the Company may elect. Special Facilities Routing is involved when, in order to comply with requirements specified by the Customer, the Company provides Switched Access Service in a manner which includes one (1) or more of the following conditions: (C)

7.1.1 Diversity

Two (2) or more circuits must be provided over not more than two (2) different physical routes.

7.1.2 Avoidance

A circuit(s) must be provided on a route which avoids specified geographical locations.

7.1.3 Diversity and Avoidance Combined

Diversity and Avoidance may be provided in combination, subject to Company limitations and availability.

INTERSTATE DOMESTIC ACCESS SERVICES**9. ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING, ADDITIONAL LABOR AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES (Cont'd)****9.3 Miscellaneous Services (Cont'd)****9.3.1 Testing Services (Cont'd)****Switched Access Service (Cont'd)****C. Additional Manual Testing**

Additional manual testing of Switched Access Services (FGD and Directory Access Service not routed through an access tandem), is testing where the Company provides a technician at its office(s) and the Company or Customer provides a technician at the Customer designated premise, with suitable test equipment to perform the required tests. Such additional tests will normally consist of gain-slope and C-notched noise testing. However, the Company will conduct any additional tests the Customer may request.

The Company will provide a report listing the test results for each trunk tested. Trunk test failures requiring Customer participation for trouble resolution will be provided to the Customer on a per occurrence basis.

Additional manual tests may be ordered by the Customer at additional charges, sixty (60) days prior to the start of the testing schedule as mutually agreed to by the Customer and the Company.

D. Obligations of the Customer

1. The Customer shall provide the remote office test line priming data to the Company, as appropriate, to support routine testing as set forth in Section 5.2.2 B. preceding.
2. The Customer shall make the facilities to be tested available to the Company at times mutually agreed upon.

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INTERSTATE DOMESTIC ACCESS SERVICES**9. ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING, ADDITIONAL LABOR AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES (Cont'd)****9.3 Miscellaneous Services (Cont'd)****9.3.3 Telecommunications Service Priority - TSP (Cont'd)**

The TSP System is a service, developed to meet the requirements of the Federal Government, as specified in the Service Vendor's Handbook and Service User's Manual which provides the regulatory, administrative and operational framework for the priority installation and/or restoration of NSEP telecommunications services. This includes Switched Access Services. The TSP System applies only to NSEP Telecommunications Services, and requires and authorizes priority action by the Company providing such services.

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For Switched Access Service, the TSP System's applicability is limited to those services the Company can discreetly identify for priority provisioning and/or restoration.

A Telecommunications Service Priority Charge applies when a request to provide or change a Telecommunications Service Priority is received subsequent to the issuance of an access order to install the service.

Additionally, a Miscellaneous Service Order Charge will apply to Telecommunications Service Priority requests that are ordered subsequent to the initial installation of the associated access service.

A Telecommunications Service Priority Charge does not apply when a Telecommunications Service Priority is discontinued or when ordered coincident with an access order to install or change service.

In addition, Additional Labor rates may be applicable when provisioning or restoring Switched Access Services with Telecommunications Service Priority.

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When the Customer requests an audit or a reconciliation of the Company's Telecommunications Service Priority records, a Miscellaneous Service Order Charge and Additional Labor rates are applicable.

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16. RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

16.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

16.4.4 Miscellaneous Services

A. Additional Automatic Testing - Switched Access

<u>To First Point of Switching</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Additional Per Test Per Path	\$ 2.89

B. Reserved For Future Use

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C. Telecommunications Service Priority

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Non-recurring Charge

Per Service Arranged	\$ 54.63
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D. Unauthorized PIC Change

Residence/Business Per Telephone Exchange Service line or trunk	\$ 35.65
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Public/Semi-Public Pay Telephone Line	\$ 57.57
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