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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies

17.1 Common Line Access Service, Federal Universal Service Charge, ISDN Line Ports and DS1 Line Port

17.1.1 End User Access Service

(A) Rates for End User Common Line

		Non Primary Residence	Single Line Business	Multi Line Business, ISDN PRI, Centrex
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company	<u>Residence</u>	<u>ISDN BRI</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Centrex</u>
China Study Area	6.50	6.50	6.50	9.20 (I)
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area	6.50	6.50	6.50	9.20
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	6.50	6.50	6.50	9.20
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)	6.50	6.50	6.50	9.20 (I)

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont’d)

17.1 Common Line Access Service, Federal Universal Service Charge, ISDN Line Ports and DS1 Line Port (Cont’d)

17.1.1 End User Access Service (Cont’d)

(B) Access Recovery Charge

		Single Line Business	Multi- Line Business	
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company	<u>Residence</u>	<u>ISDN BRI</u>	<u>ISDN PRI</u>	<u>Centrex</u>
China Study Area	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$3.01 <b>(I)</b>	\$3.01 <b>(I)</b>
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$3.01	\$3.01
Northland / Sidney Study Area	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$3.01 <b>(I)</b>	\$3.01 <b>(I)</b>

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.1 Common Line Access Service, Federal Universal Service Charge, ISDN Line Ports and DS1 Line Port (Cont'd)

17.1.1 End User Access Service (Cont'd)

(B) Access Recovery Charge (Cont'd)

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Rates previously found on this page are now incorporated with the rates listed on Page 17-2.

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.1 Common Line Access Service, Federal Universal Service Charge, ISDN Line Ports and DS1 Line Port (Cont'd)

17.1.1 End User Access Service (Cont'd)

(B) Access Recovery Charge

	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Single Line Business ISDN BRI</u>	<u>Multi- Line Business ISDN PRI</u>	<u>Centrex</u>
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$3.01 <b>(I)</b>	\$3.01 <b>(I)</b>

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.1 Common Line Access Service, Federal Universal Service Charge, ISDN Line Ports and DS1 Line Port (Cont'd)

17.1.2 Federal Universal Service Charge (FUSC)

Regulations concerning the Federal Universal Service Charges are set forth in Section 3.1 preceding.

	<u>Percentage</u>
(A) FUSC Surcharge Factor	34.6% <b>(I)</b>

17.1.3 ISDN Line Ports Monthly Rate

(A) ISDN BRI Line Port - Per Arrangement	\$2.23
(B) ISDN PRI Line Port - per arrangement	\$23.51

17.1.4 DS1 Line Ports Monthly Rate

(A) DS1 Line Port - per DS1 (1.544 Mbps) channel service	\$23.51
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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service

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17.2.1 Nonrecurring Charges

Rate  
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(A) Local Transport – Installation Per Entrance Facility

-	Voice Grade Two-Wire	\$450.00	
-	Voice Grade Four-Wire	\$450.00	
-	High Capacity DS1	\$330.00	
-	High Capacity DS3	\$445.00	
-	Synchronous Optical Channel OC3	\$360.00	
-	Synchronous Optical Channel OC12	\$360.00	

(B) Interim NXX Translation Per Order

	Per LATA or Market Area	\$220.00	6.4.1(B)(2)
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(C) FGC and FGD Conversion of Multifrequency Address Signaling to SS7 Signaling Or SS7 Signaling to Multifrequency Address Signaling

-	Per 24 Trunks Converted or Fraction thereof on a Per Order Bases	\$442.00	6.4.1(B)(3)
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(D) Trunk Activation

Per Order

-	Per 24 Trunks Activated or Fraction thereof, on a Per Order Basis	\$229.50	6.4.1(B)(1)
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(E) Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI)

-	Per End Office, Per CIC	ICB	6.9.1(AA)
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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

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17.2.2 Local Transport

Premium Access

Entrance Facility, Per Termination

6.1.3(A)(1)

Monthly Rate

		Sync		Sync			
		Voice Grade <u>2-Wire</u>	Voice Grade <u>4-Wire</u>	High Capacity <u>DS1</u>	High Capacity <u>DS3</u>	Optical Channel <u>OC3</u>	Optical Channel <u>OC12</u>
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company (C)							
China Study Area	(C)	\$47.48	\$75.97	\$233.60	\$2,133.28	\$2,263.97	\$2,363.14
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area		\$24.86	\$39.78	\$122.31	\$1,116.96	\$2,263.97	\$2,363.14
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area		\$76.22	\$121.95	\$374.24	\$2,495.45	\$2,716.76	\$2,835.77
Consolidated Communications of Northland-VT	(C)	\$38.61	\$61.78	\$189.96	\$1,734.75	\$2,263.97	\$2,363.14

Direct Trunked Transport  
Direct Trunked Facility, Per Mile

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Reference  
 6.1.3(A)(2)

Monthly Rate

		Voice	Voice	High	High	Sync	Sync
		Grade <u>2-Wire</u>	Grade <u>4-Wire</u>	Capacity <u>DS1</u>	Capacity <u>DS3</u>	Optical Channel <u>OC3</u>	Optical Channel <u>OC12</u>
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company(C)							
China Study Area	(C)	\$3.38	\$3.38	\$15.99	\$139.36	\$155.35	\$194.98
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area		\$1.77	\$1.77	\$5.75	\$72.98	\$155.35	\$194.98
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area		\$5.42	\$5.42	\$25.64	\$160.62	\$186.42	\$233.98
Consolidated Communications of Northland-VT	(C)	\$2.75	\$2.75	\$13.01	\$113.38	\$155.35	\$194.98

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

17.2.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)

Premium Access (Cont'd)

Direct Trunked Transport  
Direct Trunked Facility, Per Termination

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 6.1.3(A)(2)

Monthly Rate

		Sync		Sync		Optical Channel	Optical Channel
		Voice Grade <u>2-Wire</u> <u>OC3</u>	Voice Grade <u>4-Wire</u> <u>OC12</u>	High Capacity <u>DS1</u>	High Capacity <u>DS3</u>		
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company (C)							
China Study Area	(C)	\$29.00	\$29.00	\$26.17	\$533.30	\$577.92	\$1,258.31
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area		\$17.80	\$17.80	\$12.82	\$279.28	\$577.92	\$1,258.31
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area		\$54.48	\$54.48	\$41.95	\$615.00	\$693.50	\$1,509.97
Consolidated Communications of Northland-VT	(C)	\$27.64	\$27.64	\$21.29	\$433.67	\$577.92	\$1,258.31

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 6.1.3(A)(4)

Multiplexing, Per Arrangement

Monthly Rate

		DS3 to <u>DS1</u>	DS1 to <u>Voice</u>	
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company				(C)
China Study Area		\$506.42	\$195.52	
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area		\$506.42	\$195.52	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area		\$437.00	\$234.62	
Consolidated Communications of Northland-VT		\$506.42	\$195.52	(C)

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

17.2.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)

Premium Access (Cont'd)

<u>Customer Node, Per Node</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>			<u>Tariff Section Reference</u> 6.1.3(A)(6)
	OC3 155.52 <u>Mbps</u>	OC12 622.08 <u>Mbps</u>	Nonrecurring Charge <u>All</u>	
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company (C)				
China Study Area	\$525.70	\$1,518.70	\$640.00	
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area	\$525.70	\$1,518.70	\$640.00	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$630.84	\$1,822.44	\$640.00	
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) (C)	\$525.70	\$1,518.70	\$640.00	

<u>Customer Premises Port</u>	OC3 155.52 <u>Mbps</u>	STS- 151.84 <u>Mbps</u>	DS3 44.736 <u>Mbps</u>	OC3- DS3 Non <u>Recurring</u>	DS1 1.544 <u>Mbps</u>	DS1 Non <u>Recurring</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u> 6.1.3(A)(6)
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company (C)							
China Study Area (C)	\$159.29	\$207.10	\$207.10	\$640.00	\$53.09	\$640.00	
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area	\$159.29	\$207.10	\$207.10	\$640.00	\$53.09	\$640.00	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$191.15	\$248.52	\$248.52	\$640.00	\$63.71	\$640.00	
Consolidated Communications of Northland-VT (C)	\$159.29	\$207.10	\$207.10	\$640.00	\$53.09	\$640.00	

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

17.2.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)

Premium Access (Cont'd)

			Tariff Section <u>Reference</u> 6.1.3(A)(5)
	<u>Add/Drop Multiplexing</u>		
	Central Office Port, per Port		
	OC3	DS3	DS1
	155.52	44.736	1.544
	<u>Mbps</u>	<u>Mbps</u>	<u>Mbps</u>
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company			
China Study Area	\$159.29	\$106.20	\$42.48
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area	\$159.29	\$106.20	\$42.48
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$191.15	\$127.44	\$50.98
Consolidated Communications of Northland – VT	\$159.29	\$106.20	\$42.48

			Tariff Section <u>Reference</u> 6.1.3(A)(3)	
	<u>Tandem Switched Transport</u>			
	<u>Tandem Switched Facility (Per Access Minute Per Mile)</u>			
	<u>Non-Toll Free Originating</u>	<u>Terminating Tandem-3<sup>rd</sup> Party</u>	<u>Terminating End Office</u>	(C)
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company				
China Study Area	\$0.0006729	\$0.0006729	\$0.0000000	
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area	\$0.0000045	\$0.0000045	\$0.0000000	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$0.000009	\$0.000009	\$0.0000000	
Consolidated Communications of Northland – VT	\$0.000041	\$0.000041	\$0.0000000	

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont’d)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont’d)

17.2.2 Local Transport (Cont’d)

Premium Access (Cont’d)

Tandem Switched Transport

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6.1.3(A)(3)

Tandem Switched Termination (Per Access Minute Per Termination)

	<u>Non-Toll Free Originating</u>	<u>Terminating Tandem-3<sup>rd</sup> Party</u>	<u>Terminating End Office</u>	(C)
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company				
China Study Area	\$0.001919	\$0.001919	\$0.000000	
Northland / Sidney Study Area	\$0.00014125	\$0.00014125	\$0.000000	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$0.00097400	\$0.00097400	\$0.00000000	
Consolidated Communications of Northland – VT	\$0.000150	\$0.000150	\$0.000000	

Tandem Switching (Per Access Minute Per Tandem)

	<u>Non-Toll Free Originating</u>	<u>Terminating Tandem-3<sup>rd</sup> Party</u>	<u>Terminating End Office</u>	(C)
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company				
China Study Area	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	
Northland / Sidney Study Area	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$0.002363	\$0.002363	\$0.000000	
Consolidated Communications of Northland – VT	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	\$0.000000	

Tandem Switched Multi-Plexing Per Access Minute Per Tandem)

	<u>Non-Toll Free Originating</u>	<u>Terminating Tandem-3<sup>rd</sup> Party</u>	<u>Terminating End Office</u>	(C)
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company				
China Study Area	\$0.000183	\$0.000183	\$0.000000	
Northland / Sidney Study Area	\$0.000014	\$0.000014	\$0.000000	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$0.000083	\$0.000083	\$0.000000	
Consolidated Communications of Northland – VT	\$0.000015	\$0.000015	\$0.000000	

Joint Tandem Switched Transport\*

All Companies	
Per Originating Toll Free Only	
Access Minute Per Tandem	<u>\$0.001000</u>

\*The Joint Tandem Switched Transport rate element applies per tandem to originating toll free minutes only in lieu of the Tandem Switched Facility, Tandem Switched Termination and Tandem Switching rate elements as of July 1, 2021.

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

17.2.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)

Premium Access (Cont'd)  
Tandem Switched Transport (Cont'd)

Network Blocking, Per Blocked Call

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 6.8.6

Rate  
Applied to FGD Only

Consolidated Communications of Maine Company  
 China Study Area  
 Northland / Sidney Study Area  
 Maine / Standish Combined Study Area  
 Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)

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Reference  
 6.10.3

(A) Common Channel Signaling Network Connection  
 (1) Signaling Network Access Link

Monthly Rate

	<u>Signaling Mileage Facility Per Mile</u>	<u>Signaling Mileage Termination Per Termination</u>	<u>Signaling Entrance Facility Per Facility</u>	<u>Nonrecurring Charge Signaling Per Facility</u>
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company				(C)
China Study Area	\$4.56	\$45.89	\$87.84	\$390.00
Northland / Sidney Study Area	\$3.71	\$37.31	\$71.43	\$390.00
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$7.32	\$73.55	\$140.24	\$390.00
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)	\$3.71	\$37.31	\$71.43	\$390.00 (C)

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

17.2.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)

Premium Access (Cont'd)

Tandem Switched Transport (Cont'd)

(A) Common Channel Signaling Network Connection (Cont'd)

Tariff  
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6.10.3

(2) STP Port, Per Port

Monthly Rate

Consolidated Communications of Maine Company

China Study Area

\$419.31

Northland / Sidney Study Area

\$455.00

Maine / Standish Combined Study Area

\$455.37

Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)

\$374.97

(B) 800 Data Base Access Service Queries, Per Query

Tariff  
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6.10.3

All Companies

Per Query

\$0.0002

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

17.2.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)

Premium Access (Cont'd)

(C) Dedicated Trunk Port

Tariff  
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Reference  
 6.1.3(A)(2)

	Access Tandem Dedicated Trunk Port Voice Band Monthly Rate, Per <u>Channel</u>	Access Tandem Dedicated Trunk Port DS1 Monthly Rate, Per <u>Channel</u>	
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company			(C)
China Study Area	\$16.77	\$7.89	
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area	\$16.77	7.89	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$16.77	7.89	
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)	\$16.77	7.89	(C)

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

17.2.3 End Office

(A) Local Switching

	<u>Terminating</u>	<u>Premium Rates</u>		
		<u>Non-Toll Free Originating</u>	<u>Toll Free Only Originating</u>	
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company				
China Study Area	\$0.000000	\$0.01154520	\$0.00000000	(R)
Northland / Sidney Study Area	\$0.000000	\$0.00574581	\$0.00000000	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$0.000000	\$0.00392220	\$0.00000000	
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)	\$0.000000	\$0.00479744	\$0.00000000	(R)

(B) Information Surcharge Non-Toll Free & Toll Free

- Premium Per 100 Access Minutes	\$0.00
- Non-Premium Per 100 Access Minutes	\$0.00

(C) End Office Direct Trunk Port

	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Rate</u>
	<u>Voice Grade</u>	<u>DS1</u>
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company		
China Study Area	\$2.74	\$1.30
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area	\$0.000000	\$0.50
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$0.000000	\$2.08
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)	\$0.000000	\$1.04

(D) End Office Common Trunk Port

	<u>Terminating</u>	<u>Rate Per Access Minute</u>		
		<u>Non-Toll Free Originating</u>	<u>Toll Free Only Originating</u>	
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company				
China Study Area	\$0.00	\$0.001792	\$0.000000	(R)
Northland / Sidney Study Area	\$0.00	\$0.00063108	\$0.000000	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$0.00	\$0.000952	\$0.000000	
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)	\$0.00	\$0.000300	\$0.000000	(R)

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

17.2.4 Feature Group B (FGB) with an Abbreviated Dialing Arrangement (ADA) Rate Factor

In end offices that are equipped with equal access capabilities, premium rates apply to all FGB with ADA access minutes. In end offices that are not equipped with equal access capabilities:

- Switched Access premium rates will apply to:
  - Entrance Facility
  - Direct Trunked Termination
  - Directed Trunked Facility
  - Tandem Switched Termination
  - Tandem Switched Facility
  - Tandem Switching
  - Multiplexing
  - Add/Drop Multiplexing
  - Customer Node
  - Customer Premises Port
  
- Switched Access premium rates multiplied by an ADA rate factor of .95 will apply to:
  - Local Switching
  - Information Surcharge

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

17.2.5 [Reserved for Future Use]

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

17.2.6	<u>Assumed Minutes of Use</u>	Assumed Minutes Per Month Per Line <u>or Trunk</u>	Tariff Section <u>Reference</u>
(A)	Feature Group A, Two Way Calling (1510 Originating, 2685 Terminating)	4195	6.5.4
(B)	Feature Group A, Originating Only	1510	6.5.4
(C)	Feature Group A, Terminating Only	2685	6.5.4
(D)	Feature Group B, Two Way Calling (3132 Originating, 5568 Terminating)	8700	6.6.4
(E)	Feature Group B, Originating Only	3132	6.6.4
(F)	Feature Group B, Terminating Only	5568	6.6.4
17.2.7	<u>Operator Transfer Service</u>		
	Per Call Transferred	<u>Rate</u> \$0.04588	6.10
17.2.8	<u>Carrier Identification Parameter (CIP)</u>		
	Non-Recurring Charge-Per CIC, Per End Office Direct Trunk <u>Group</u>	Non-Recurring Charge-Per CIC Per Access Tandem Direct Trunk <u>Group</u>	Monthly Recurring Charge <u>Per Trunk</u>
	Rate	\$80.00	\$1,120.00
			\$0.46 (N)

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service

17.3.1 Surcharge for Special Access Service

	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u>
- Per Voice Grade Equivalent	\$25.00	7.3

17.3.2 Metallic Service

Regulations Concerning Metallic Service are set forth in Section 7.4, preceding.

(A) Channel Termination, Per Termination

Non-Competitive End User Channel Termination (EUCT) (T)  
 Per Termination

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	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Nonrecurring Charge</u>
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$29.50	\$450.00

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.2 Metallic Service (Cont'd)

(B) [Reserved for Future Use]

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.2 Metallic Service (Cont'd)

Regulations Concerning Metallic Service are set forth in Section 7.4, preceding.

(C) Optional Features and Functions

(1) Bridging, Per Port

Monthly Rates

	<u>3 Premises Bridging</u>	<u>Series Bridging</u>	
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$6.94	\$6.94	(D) (D) (D) (T)

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.3 Telegraph Grade Service

Regulations concerning Telegraph Grade Service are set forth in Section 7.5, preceding.

(A) Channel Termination, Per Termination

End User Channel Termination

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Non-Competitive Serving Wire Center

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2-Wire

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Consolidated Communications of

Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange

\$29.50

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.3 Telegraph Grade Service (Cont'd)

(B) [Reserved for Future Use]

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.3 Telegraph Grade Service (Cont'd)

Regulations concerning Telegraph Grade Service are set forth in Section 7.5, preceding.

(C) Optional Features and Functions

(1) Telegraph Bridging, Per Port

Monthly Rates

	<u>2-Wire</u>	<u>4-Wire</u>	
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Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$6.94	\$6.94	(T)

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.4 Voice Grade Service

Regulations concerning Voice Grade Service are set forth in Section 7.6, preceding

(A) Channel Termination, Per Termination

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End User Channel Termination

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Non-Competitive Serving Wire Center

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	<u>Monthly Rates</u>		Nonrecurring Charge
	<u>2-Wire</u>	<u>4-Wire</u>	<u>All</u>
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$38.61	\$61.78	\$450.00



ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.4 Voice Grade Service (Cont'd)

(C) Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

(1) Bridging (Cont'd)

(d) DATAPHONE Select-A-Station-Bridging

Monthly Rates

	Sequential Arrangement Ports Per Channel Connected <u>2-Wire</u>	Sequential Arrangement Ports Per Channel Connected <u>4-Wire</u>	Addressable Arrangement Ports Per Channel Connected <u>2-Wire</u>	Addressable Arrangement Ports Per Channel Connected <u>4-Wire</u>	(D) (D) (D)
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$23.69	\$125.67	\$25.35	\$109.76	(T)

(e) Telemetry & Alarm Bridging Active Bridging  
Channel Connections

Monthly Rates

	Per Channel Per Connections Connected <u>Split Band</u>	Passive Bridging Channel Channel	Connected <u>Summation</u>	Per Channel <u>Connected</u>	(D) (D) (D)
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$11.06		\$4.32	\$0.30	(T)

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.4 Voice Grade Service (Cont'd)

(C) Optional Features and Functions (Cont'd)

(2) Conditioning, Per Termination

Monthly Rates

	<u>C-Type</u>	<u>Improved Attenuation Distortion</u>	<u>Improved Envelope Delay Distortion</u>	<u>Data Capability</u>	<u>Telephoto Capability</u>	<u>Sealing Current</u>
						(D)
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						(D)
Consolidated Comm. of Northland Company (VT) - Alburgh Exchange	\$7.69	ICB	ICB	\$7.32	\$9.64	ICB (T)

(3) Improved Return Loss for Effective 2-Wire or 4-Wire Transmission, Per Termination

Monthly Rates

	<u>2-Wire</u>	<u>4-Wire</u>	
			(D)
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			(D)
Consolidated Comm of Northland Company (VT) - Alburgh Exchange	\$13.66	\$13.66	(T)

\* Improved Attenuation Distortion and Improved Envelope Delay Distortion will continue to be provided to all customers who were provided with either or both of these optional features in conjunction with C-Type Conditioning prior to May 4, 1988.



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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.4 Voice Grade Service (Cont'd)

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.5 Program Audio Service

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 7.2.2(B) (T)

(A) Channel Termination, Per Termination (T)

End User Channel Termination (T)

Non-Competitive Serving Wire Center (T)

200 to 3500 Hz

	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Daily Rate*</u>	<u>Nonrecurring Charge Monthly/Daily</u>
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)– Alburgh Exchange	\$52.53	\$5.25	\$450.00

100 to 5000 Hz

Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$91.47	\$9.15	\$450.00
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50 to 8000 Hz

Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$91.47	\$9.15	\$450.00
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\* Daily rates will be topped and maximum rates derived as set forth in Section 7.2.2(B), preceding.



ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.5 Program Audio Service (Cont'd)

(B) [Reserved for Future Use]

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.5 Program Audio Service (Cont'd)

(B) [Reserved for Future Use] (Cont'd)

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.5 Program Audio Service (Cont'd)

(C) Optional Features and Functions

	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>
	Bridging Distribution Amplifier Per Port <u>Monthly Rate</u>	Bridging Distribution Amplifier Per Port <u>Daily Rate*</u>
		Gain Conditioning Per Service Monthly <u>Rate</u>
		Gain Conditioning Per Service <u>Daily Rate*</u>
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$21.31	\$2.13
		\$13.79
		\$1.38

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\* Daily rates will be topped and maximum rates derived as set forth in Section 7.2.2(B), preceding.

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.6 Video Service

Regulations concerning Video Service are set forth in Section 7.8,  
preceding

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.6 Video Service (Cont'd)

(A) Channel Termination, Per Termination

End User Channel Termination

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Non-Competitive Serving Wire Center

	TV-1 or 2 Monthly <u>Rate</u>	TV-1 or 2 Daily <u>Rate*</u>	4TV-5 Monthly <u>Rate</u>	4TV-5 Daily <u>Rate*</u>	Nonrecurring Charge <u>All</u>
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$542.73	\$298.50	\$542.73	\$298.50	\$330.00
	6TV-5 Monthly <u>Rate</u>	6TV-5 Daily <u>Rate*</u>	TV-15 Monthly <u>Rate</u>	TV-15 Daily <u>Rate*</u>	Nonrecurring Charge <u>All</u>
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange	\$542.73	\$298.50	\$542.73	\$298.50	\$330.00

\*Daily rates will be topped and maximum rates derived as set forth in Section 7.2.2(B), preceding.

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.6 Video Service (Cont'd)

Regulations concerning Video Service are set forth in Section 7.8,  
preceding

(B) [Reserved for Future Use]

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.7 Digital Data Service (Cont'd)

(B) [Reserved for Future Use]

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.7 Digital Data Service (Cont'd)

(B) [Reserved for Future Use] (Cont'd)

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(C) Optional Features and Functions

		<u>Monthly Rate</u>
	(1)	(D)
	<u>Bridging Per Port</u>	
		(D)
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company Company – Alburgh Exchange (VT)	\$8.39	(D)
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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.7 Digital Data Service (Cont'd)

(D) Channel Service Unit Per Termination\*\*\*\*

Monthly Rate

2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 56.0  
Kbps

Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT) – Alburgh Exchange \$33.16

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\*\*\*\* Channel Service Units will only be provided under tariff if they existed in the Telephone Company's inventory as of November 18, 1983.



ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.8 High Capacity Service (Cont'd)

DS1C 3.152 Mbps

Monthly Rate

Nonrecurring Charge

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DS2 6.312 Mbps

Monthly Rate

Nonrecurring Charge

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.8 High Capacity Service (Cont'd)

(B) [Reserved for Future Use]

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(C) Optional Rate Plan Term Discounts

	<u>Percentage</u>
DS1 & DS3 Service	
36 Months	10%
60 Months	20%

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.8 High Capacity Service (Cont'd)

(D) [Reserved for Future Use]

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.8 High Capacity Service (Cont'd)

(D) [Reserved for Future Use] (Cont'd)

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ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

17.3.8 High Capacity Service (Cont'd)

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.3 Special Access Service (Cont'd)

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.4 Other Services

17.4.1 Access Ordering

	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u>
(A) <u>Access Order Charge</u> Per order	\$76.00	5.4.1
(B) <u>Service Date Change Charge</u> A Service Date Change Charge will apply, on a per order per occurrence basis, for each service date changed. The Access Order Charge as specified in 17.4.1(A) preceding does not apply. The applicable charge is:		
Service Date Change Charge, per order	\$60.00	5.4.3
(C) <u>Design Change Charge</u> The Design Change Charge will apply on a per order per occurrence basis, for each order requiring design change. The applicable charge is:		
Design Change Charge, per order	\$84.00	5.4.3
(D) <u>Miscellaneous Service Order Charge</u> Per Occurrence	\$123.00	5.4.2

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

17.4.2 Additional Engineering

Additional Engineering <u>Periods</u>	Each Half Hour or Fraction <u>Thereof</u>	Tariff Section <u>Reference</u>
(A) Basic Time per engineer normally scheduled working hours	\$31.03	13.1
(B) Overtime per engineer outside of normally scheduled working hours	\$46.55	13.1
(C) Premium Time outside of scheduled work day, per engineer	\$62.06	13.1

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

17.4.3 Additional Labor

<u>Additional Labor Periods</u>	<u>Each Half Hour or Fraction Thereof</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u>
(A) Installation or Repair		
- Overtime, outside of normally scheduled working hours on a scheduled work day, per technician	\$47.57*	13.2.1 & 13.2.2
- Premium Time, outside of scheduled work day, per technician	\$63.42*	13.2.1 & 13.2.2
(B) Stand by		
- Basic time, normally scheduled working hours, per technician	\$21.18*	13.2.3
- Overtime, outside of normally scheduled working hours on a scheduled work day, per technician	\$31.77*	13.2.3
- Premium Time, outside of scheduled work day, per technician	\$42.36*	13.2.3

\* A call out of a Telephone Company employee at a time not consecutive with the employee's scheduled work period is subject to a minimum charge of four hours.

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

17.4.3 Additional Labor (Cont'd)

Additional Labor Periods

Each Half Hour or Fraction Thereof

	<u>Installation and Repair Technician</u>	<u>Central Office Maintenance Technician</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u>
(C) Testing and Maintenance with Other Telephone Companies, or Other Labor			
- Basic Time per Technician normally Scheduled working Hours	\$31.71	\$34.66	13.2.4 * 13.2.5
- Overtime per Technician outside Of normally scheduled Working hours on a Scheduled work day	\$47.57*	\$51.99*	13.2.4 & 13.2.5
- Premium Time per Technician outside of Scheduled work day	\$63.42*	\$69.32*	13.2.4 & 13.2.5

\* A call out of a Telephone Company employee at a time not consecutive with the employee's scheduled work period is subject to a minimum charge of four hours.

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont’d)

17.4 Other Services (Cont’d)

17.4.4 Miscellaneous Services

(A) Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing – Switched Access

<u>Testing Periods</u>	<u>Each Half Hour or Fraction Thereof</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u>
Basic Time, Overtime* And Premium Time*	See the rates for Additional Labor as set forth in 17.4.3(C) preceding.	13.3.1(A)(1)

(B) Additional Automatic Testing – Switched Access

To First Point of Switching

<u>Additional Tests</u>	<u>Per Test Per Transmission Path</u>	
Gain-Slope Tests	\$2.89	13.3.1(A)(2)
C-Notched Noise Tests	\$2.89	13.3.1(A)(2)
1004 Hz Loss**	\$2.89	13.3.1(A)(2)
C-Message Noise**	\$2.89	13.3.1(A)(2)
Balance (return loss)**	\$2.89	13.3.1(A)(2)

\* A call of a Telephone Company employee at a time not consecutive with the employee’s scheduled work period is subject to a minimum charge of four hours.

\*\* 1004 Hz Loss, C-Message Noise and Balance are non-chargeable routine tests, however, they may be requested on an as needed or more than routine scheduled basis, in which case the charges herein apply.

ACCESS SERVICE

17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont’d)

17.4 Other Services (Cont’d)

17.4.4 Miscellaneous Services (Cont’d)

(C) Additional Manual Testing – Switched Access

To First Point of Switching

Additional Tests	Each Half Hour or Fraction <u>Thereof</u>	Tariff Section <u>Reference</u>
Gain-Slope, C-Notched Noise and Any other agreed to Tests, per Technician	See the Rates for Additional Labor as set forth in 17.4.3(C) preceding	13.3.1(A)(3)

(D) Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing – Special Access

<u>Testing Periods</u>	Each Half Hour or Fraction <u>Thereof</u>	Tariff Section <u>Reference</u>
Basic Time, Overtime* and Premium Time*	See the rates for Additional Labor as set forth in 17.4.3(C) preceding.	13.3.1(B)(1)

(E) Additional Manual Testing – Special Access

<u>Testing Periods</u>	Each Half Hour or Fraction <u>Thereof</u>	Tariff Section <u>Reference</u>
Basic Time, Overtime* and Premium Time*	See the rates for Additional Labor as set forth in 17.4.3(C) preceding.	13.3.1(B)(2)

\* A call of a Telephone Company employee at a time not consecutive with the employee’s scheduled work period is subject to a minimum charge of four hours.

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

17.4.4 Miscellaneous Services (Cont'd)

(F) Maintenance of Service

<u>Maintenance of Service Periods</u>	Each Half Hour or Fraction Thereof	Tariff Section Reference
Basic Time, Overtime* and Premium Time*	See the rates for Additional Labor as set forth in 17.4.3(C) preceding.	13.3.2

(G) Telecommunications Service Priority

	Nonrecurring Charge	Tariff Section Reference
Per service arranged	\$54.63	13.3.3

(H) Controller Arrangement

	Monthly Rate	
Per Arrangement	\$100.00	13.3.4(A)

\* A call of a Telephone Company employee at a time not consecutive with the employee's scheduled work period is subject to a minimum charge of four hours.

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont’d)

17.4 Other Services (Cont’d)

17.4.4 Miscellaneous Services (Cont’d)

(I) Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier (PIC) Change Charge\*

	<u>Nonrecurring Charge</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u>
Per Telephone Exchange Service Line or trunk for each interLATA PIC change:		13.4(J)
(1) Submitted using manual methods	\$5.50	
(2) Submitted using electronic methods	\$1.25	
(3) Submitted using manual methods when both the interLATA PIC and intraLATA PIC selections are changed simultaneously	\$2.75	
(4) Submitted using electronic methods when both the interLATA PIC and intraLATA PIC selections are changed simultaneously	\$0.63	

\* This charge is generally billed to the end user who is the subscriber to the Telephone Exchange Service. In those instances where the IC both requests the PIC change, and requests the associated charge be billed to it, the Telephone Company will bill the IC. In the event the subscriber is incorrectly presubscribed due to miss-assignment on the part of the Telephone Company, no charge shall apply. In the event the subscriber denies requesting a PIC change, the Telephone Company will credit the subscriber’s account for the PIC Change Charge associated with the alleged unauthorized change, if such charge was billed to the subscriber. The Telephone Company will then bill the IC responsible for the alleged unauthorized change a PIC Change Charge to return the subscriber to its previous authorized carrier and, if initially billed to the subscriber, the PIC Change Charge for the alleged unauthorized change.

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

17.4.4 Miscellaneous Services (Cont'd)

(J) Blocking Service\*

	<u>Nonrecurring Charge</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u>
-Per exchange service line, or trunk and/ or per Feature Group A Switched Access Line	\$11.20	13.8

(K) Billing Name and Address Service

- Per BNA Order	\$50.94	13.9.4(A)
- Per BNA Record	\$0.33	13.9.4(A)
- Optional Magnetic Tape Charge-Per Magnetic Tape	\$91.44	13.9.4(B)
- Optional Format Programming Charge		
- Per each half hour or fraction thereof	\$37.20	13.9.4(C)

(L) Originating Line Screening (OLS) Service

- Per exchange service line	\$7.95	13.10
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(M) Coin Supervision Additive Service

	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	
- Per exchange service line	\$2.21	13.12

\* Blocking access to 900 Service is offered to all subscribers at no charge

- (a) from November 1, 1993 through December 31, 1993 and
- (b) at the time telephone service is established at a new number and for 60 days thereafter.

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

17.4.4 Miscellaneous Services (Cont'd)

(N) LNP End User Charge

(1) The Telephone Companies listed below will bill the rates listed for the identified study areas over a 60-month period as specified for each rate, except as indicated below

	<u>State</u>	<u>Study Area Number</u>	<u>Effective Date of Rate</u>	<u>Termination Date of Rate (5 Years)</u>	
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company					(C)
China Study Area	ME	100004	4/1/08	3/31/13	
Northland / Sidney* Combined Study Area	ME	103313	4/1/08	3/30/12	
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	ME	100025	3/1/08	2/28/13	
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)	VT	143331	3/1/07	2/28/12	(C)
	<u>End User Rate Per Line</u>	<u>Rate Per PBX Trunk</u>	<u>Rate Per ISDN PRI</u>		
Consolidated Communications of Maine Company					(C)
China Study Area	\$0.28	\$2.52	\$1.40		
Northland / Sidney Combined Study Area	\$0.07	\$0.63	\$0.35		
Maine / Standish Combined Study Area	\$0.17	\$1.53	\$0.85		
Consolidated Communications of Northland Company (VT)	\$0.12	\$1.08	\$0.60		(C)

\* LNP End User Charges for Sidney Telephone Co. are effective for only a 48-month period beginning April 1, 2008.

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont'd)

17.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

17.4.5 [Reserved for Future Use]

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications Companies (Cont’d)

17.4 Other Services (Cont’d)

17.4.6 Special Facilities Routing of Access Services

(A) Diversity

For each service provided in accordance with 11.1.1 preceding, the rates and charges will be developed on an individual case basis.

(B) Avoidance

For each service provided in accordance with 11.1.2 preceding, the rates and charges will be developed on an individual case basis.

(C) Diversity and Avoidance Combined

For each service provided in accordance with 11.1.1 and 11.1.2 preceding, combined, the rates and charges will be developed on an individual case basis.

(D) Cable-Only Facilities

For each service provided in accordance with 11.1.4 preceding, the rates and charges will be developed on an individual case basis.

(E) Specialized Service or Arrangements

Specialized Service or Arrangements are provided on an individual case basis.

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18. Special Construction

Application of Section

This section contains regulations, rates, charges and liabilities applicable for the special construction of interstate facilities provided by the Issuing, Concurring, Connecting or Other Participating Carriers of this tariff, hereinafter referred to as the Telephone Company. When special construction of facilities is required, the provisions of this section apply in addition to all regulations, rates and charges set forth in the other sections of this tariff.

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18.1 Regulations

18.1.1 Filing of Charges

Rates, charges and liabilities for special construction to provide facilities for use for one month or more are listed in Section 4.

Rates, charges and liabilities for special construction to provide facilities for use for one month or more are listed in Section 4.

18.1.2 Ownership of Facilities

The Telephone Company providing specially constructed facilities under the provisions of this tariff retains ownership of all such facilities.

18.1.3 Interval to Provide Facilities

Based on available information and the type of service ordered, the Telephone Company will establish a completion date for the specially constructed facilities. If the scheduled completion date cannot be met due to circumstances beyond the control of the Telephone Company, a new completion date will be established and the customer will be notified.

18.1.4 Special Construction Involving Both Interstate and Intrastate Facilities

When special construction involves facilities to be used to provide both interstate and intrastate services, charges for the portion of the construction used to provide interstate service shall be in accordance with this tariff. Charges for the portion of the construction used to provide intrastate service shall be in accordance with the appropriate intrastate tariff.

18.1.5 Payments for Special Construction

(A) Payment of Charges

All bills associated with special construction charges are due in accordance with the regulations in the appropriate service tariff.

(B) Start/End of Billing

Billing of recurring charges for specially constructed facilities starts on the day after the facilities are made available for use. Billing accrues through and includes the day that the specially constructed facilities are discontinued.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)

18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)

18.1.5 Payments for Special Construction (Cont'd)

(C) Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions

In the event of a service interruption involving a specially constructed facility, the customer shall receive a recurring monthly charge credit in accordance with the credit allowance provisions in the appropriate service tariff associated with the affected services.

When an interruption continues due to the failure of the customer to authorize the replacement of facilities subject to a Replacement Charge, as specified in 18.1.6(D)(1) following, the credit allowance will be terminated on the seventh calendar day after the Telephone Company has provided the customer with written notification of the need for replacement. The credit allowance will resume on the day after the Telephone Company receives written authorization for the replacement from the customer.

18.1.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction

(A) General

This section describes the various charges and liabilities that may apply when the Telephone Company provides special construction of facilities in accordance with an order for service. Written approval of all liabilities and charges must be provided to the Telephone Company prior to the start of construction.

(B) Conditions Requiring Special Construction

Conditions Requiring Special Construction Special construction is required when 1) facilities are not available to meet an order for service, and 2) the Telephone Company constructs facilities, and 3) one or more of the following conditions exist:

- The Telephone Company has no other requirement for the facilities requested.
- It is requested that service be furnished using a type of facility, or via a route, other than that which the Telephone Company would normally utilize in furnishing the requested service.
- More facilities are requested than would normally be required to satisfy an order.
- It is requested that construction be expedited, resulting in added cost to the Telephone Company.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)

18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)

18.1.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)

(C) Development of Liabilities and Charges

Special construction charges and liabilities will be developed based on estimated costs, except when actual costs are requested in writing prior to the start of special construction. In order to meet a scheduled service date when actual costs are requested, an initial special construction filing may be made based on estimated costs. Such a filing will be revised when actual costs are available.

(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges

Depending on the specifics associated with each individual case, one or more of the following special construction charges and/or liabilities may be applicable:

(1) Nonrecurring Charge

A nonrecurring charge always applies and includes one or more of the following components:

(a) Case Preparation Charge

A nonrecurring charge always includes a case preparation charge component to cover the administrative expenses associated with preparing a special construction case and the associated tariff filing.

(b) Expediting Charge

A nonrecurring charge may include an expediting charge when it is requested that special construction be completed on an expedited basis. The charge equals the difference in estimated cost between expedited and nonexpedited construction.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)18.1.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)(1) Nonrecurring Charge (Cont'd)(c) Optional Payment (Cont'd)

An optional payment charge may be included in the nonrecurring charge in association with a type of facility or route other than that which the Telephone Company would normally use in furnishing the requested service if lower recurring monthly charges are desired for the specially constructed facilities. This charge is equal to the excess installed cost or the total nonrecoverable cost, whichever is less. This election must be made in writing before special construction starts. If this election is coupled with the actual cost option, the optional payment charge will reflect the actual cost of the specially constructed facilities.

(d) Replacement Charge

If any portion of specially constructed facilities for which an optional payment charge has been paid requires replacement involving capital investment, a replacement charge will apply. This charge will be in the same ratio to the total replacement cost as the initial optional payment charge was to the installed cost of the original specially constructed facilities. If any portion of the Access Tariffs facilities subject to the replacement charge fails, service will not be restored until notification is provided in writing that replacement is required and such replacement is ordered.

(e) Rearrangement Charge

If the Telephone Company is requested to rearrange existing specially constructed facilities, a nonrecurring charge equal to the cost of any additional special construction will apply.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)

18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)

18.1.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)

(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)

(1) Nonrecurring Charge (Cont'd)

(f) Special Construction of Facilities for Use for less than One Month

When the Telephone Company is requested to construct facilities to provide service for less than one month, a nonrecurring charge only applies. In addition to the case preparation charge component, this nonrecurring charge recovers all elements of cost, including engineering, shipping of equipment, equipment installation, line-up, equipment leasing, space rental, equipment removal, and any other costs associated with the construction of the facilities.

(2) Maximum Termination Liability and Termination Charge

A Maximum Termination Liability is equal to the nonrecoverable costs associated with specially constructed facilities and is the maximum amount which could be applied as a Termination Charge if all specially constructed facilities were discontinued before the Maximum Termination Liability expires.

The liability period is equal to the average life of the account associated with the specially constructed facilities. The liability period is generally expressed in terms of an effective and expiration date.

The Maximum Termination Liability is filed with the initial tariff filing in decreasing amounts at ten-year intervals over the average account life of the facilities. In the event that the average account life of the facilities is not an even multiple of ten, the last increment will reflect the appropriate number of years remaining.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)

18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)

18.1.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)

(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)

(2) Maximum Termination Liability and Termination Charge (Cont'd)

Example Illustrating a 27-Year Average Account Life

<u>Maximum Termination Liability</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
\$10,000	6/1/84	6/1/94
\$ 7,000	6/1/94	6/1/04
\$ 3,000	6/1/04	6/1/11

Prior to the expiration of each liability period, the customer has the option to (A) terminate the special construction case and pay the appropriate charges, or (B) extend the use of the specially constructed facilities for the new liability period.

The Telephone Company will notify the customer six months in advance of the expiration date of each ten-year liability period. The customer must provide the Telephone Company with written notification at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the liability period if termination is elected. Failure to do so will result in an automatic extension of the special construction case to the next liability period at the filed Maximum Termination Liability amount.

A Termination Charge may apply when all services using specially constructed facilities which have a tariffed Maximum Termination Liability are discontinued prior to the expiration of the liability period. The charge reflects the unamortized portion of the nonrecoverable costs at the time of termination, adjusted for net salvage and possible reuse. Administrative costs associated with the specific case of special construction and any cost for restoring a location to its original condition are also included. A Termination Charge may never exceed the filed Maximum Termination Liability.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)18.1.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)(2) Maximum Termination Liability and Termination Charge (Cont'd)

A partial termination of specially constructed facilities will be provided, at the election of the customer. The amount of the Termination Charge associated with such partial termination is determined by multiplying the termination charge which would result if all services using the specially constructed facilities were discontinued, at the time partial termination is elected, by the percentage of specially constructed facilities to be partially terminated. A tariff filing will be made following a partial termination to list remaining Maximum Termination Liability amounts and the number of specially constructed facilities the customer will remain liable for.

## Example

A customer with a filed Maximum Termination Liability of \$100,000 for 3600 specially constructed facilities requests a partial termination of 900 facilities. The Termination Charge for all facilities, at the time of election, is \$60,000. The partial termination charge, in this example, is  $\$60,000 \times 900/3600$ , or \$15,000.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)18.1.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)(3) Annual Underutilization Liability and Underutilization Charge

Prior to the start of special construction, the Telephone Company and the customer will agree on (1) the quantity of facilities to be provided, and (2) the length of the planning period during which the customer expects to place the facilities in service. The planning period is hereinafter referred to as the Initial Liability Period (ILP). The ILP is listed in the tariff with an effective and expiration date.

Underutilization occurs only if, at the expiration date of the ILP and annually thereafter, less than 70 percent of the specially constructed facilities are in service at filed tariff service rates.

An annual underutilization liability amount is filed on a per unit basis (e.g., per cable pair) for each case of special construction. This amount is equal to the annual per unit cost and includes depreciation, maintenance, administration, return, taxes and any other costs identified in the supporting documentation provided at the time the special construction case is filed.

Upon the expiration of the ILP, the number of underutilized facilities, if any, are multiplied by the annual underutilization liability amount. This product is then multiplied by the number of years (including any fraction thereof) in the ILP to determine the underutilization charge.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)

18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)

18.1.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)

(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)

(3) Annual Underutilization Liability and Underutilization Charge  
(Cont'd)

Annually thereafter, the number of underutilized facilities, if any, existing on the anniversary of the ILP expiration date will be multiplied by the annual underutilization liability amount to determine the underutilization charge for the preceding 12 month period.

Example

A customer orders 100 services and the special construction of a 600 pair building riser cable is agreed to, based on the customer's 5 year facility requirements. The ILP, in this example, would be filed at 5 years. The annual under- utilization liability is filed at \$2.00 per pair. If 400 pairs were in service at the end of the ILP, there would be an underutilization of 20 pairs, i.e.,  $420 (70\% \text{ of } 600) - 400 = 20$ . The total underutilization charge for the first 5 years would be \$200.00, or \$2.00 per pair x 20 pairs x 5 years. If 420 pairs are in service at the end of the 6th year, there is no underutilization, i.e.,  $420 - 420 = 0$ .

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)

18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)

18.1.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)

(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)

(4) Recurring Monthly Charges

(a) Charge for Route or Type other than Normal

When special construction is requested using a route or type of facility other than that which the Telephone Company would normally use, a recurring monthly charge, in addition to the monthly rates for service, is applicable. The charge is equal to the difference between the recurring costs of the specially constructed facilities and the recurring costs of the facilities the Telephone Company would have normally used.

(1) When an Optional Payment Charge as set forth in 18.1.6.(D)(1)(d) preceding has been elected, the recurring monthly charge will be reduced to include specially constructed facility operating expenses only.

(2) If the actual cost option as set forth 18.1.6.(C) preceding has been elected, the recurring charge will be adjusted to reflect the actual cost of the new construction when the costs have been determined. This adjusted recurring charge is applicable from the start of service.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)

18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)

18.1.6 Liabilities and Charges for Special Construction (Cont'd)

(D) Types of Liabilities and Charges (Cont'd)

(5) Lease Charge

This charge applies when the Telephone Company leases equipment in order to meet service requirements. The amount of the charge is equal to the net added cost to the Telephone Company caused by the lease.

(6) Cancellation Charge

If a service order with which special construction is associated is cancelled prior to the start of service, a cancellation charge will apply. The charge will include all nonrecoverable costs incurred by the Telephone Company in association with the special construction up to and including the time of cancellation.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)18.1 Regulations (Cont'd)18.1.7 Deferral of Start of Service

The Telephone Company may be requested to defer the start of service which will use specially constructed facilities subject to the provisions set forth in the service tariff under which service is being provided. Requests for special construction deferral must be in writing and are subject to the following regulations:

(A) Construction Has Not Begun

If the Telephone Company has not incurred any installation costs before receiving a request for deferral, no charge applies.

(B) Construction has Begun

If the construction of facilities has begun before the Telephone Company receives a request for deferral, charges will vary as follows:

(1) All Services Are Deferred When all services which will use specially constructed facilities are deferred, a charge based on the costs incurred by the Telephone Company during each month of the deferral will apply. Those costs include the recurring costs for that portion of the facilities already completed and any other costs associated with the deferral. The cost of any components of the nonrecurring charge which have been completed at the time of deferral will also apply.

(2) Some Services Are Deferred When some services which will use the specially constructed facilities are deferred, the construction case will be completed and all special construction charges will apply.

(C) Construction Complete If the construction of facilities has been completed before the Telephone Company receives a request for deferral, all special construction charges will apply.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)18.2 Definitions

Actual Cost - The term "Actual Cost" denotes all costs charged against a specific case of special construction, including any appropriate taxes.

Annual Underutilization Liability - The term "Annual Underutilization Liability" denotes a per unit amount which may be billed annually if fewer services are in use utilizing specially constructed facilities at filed tariff rates than were originally specially constructed.

Estimated Cost - The term "Estimated Cost" denotes all estimated costs that will be incurred in providing a specific case of special construction, including any appropriate taxes.

Facilities - The term "Facilities" denotes any cable, poles, conduit, microwave or carrier equipment, wire center distribution frames, central office switching equipment, etc., utilized to provide interstate services.

Initial Liability Period - The term "Initial Liability Period" denotes the initial planning period during which the customer expects to place specially constructed facilities in service.

Installed Cost - The term "Installed Cost" denotes the total investment (estimated or actual) required by the Telephone Company to provide specially constructed facilities.

Maximum Termination Liability - The term "Maximum Termination Liability" denotes the maximum amount which may be billed if all services using specially constructed facilities are terminated prior to the expiration of the Maximum Termination Liability Period.

Maximum Termination Liability Period - The term "Maximum Termination Liability Period" denotes the length of time for which a termination charge may apply if all services using specially constructed facilities are terminated.

Net Salvage - The term "Net Salvage" denotes the estimated scrap, sale, or trade-in value, less the estimated cost of removal. Cost of removal includes the costs of demolishing, tearing down, or otherwise disposing of the material and any other applicable costs. Since the cost of removal may exceed salvage value, net salvage may be negative.

Nonrecoverable Cost - The term "Nonrecoverable Cost" denotes the cost of specially constructed facilities for which the Telephone Company has no foreseeable use should the service be terminated.

Normal Construction - The term "Normal Construction" denotes all facilities the Telephone Company would normally use to provide service in the absence of a requirement for special construction.

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18. Special Construction (Cont'd)

18.2 Definitions (Cont'd)

Normal Cost - The term "Normal Cost" denotes the estimated cost to provide services using normal construction.

Permanent Facilities - The term "Permanent Facilities" denotes facilities providing service for one month or more.

Recoverable Cost - The term "Recoverable Cost" denotes the cost of the specially constructed facilities for which the Telephone Company has a foreseeable reuse, either in place or elsewhere, should the service be terminated.

Termination Charge - The term "Termination Charge" denotes the portion of the Maximum Termination Liability that is applied as a nonrecurring charge when all services are discontinued prior to the expiration of the specified liability period.

18.3 Charges to Provide Permanent Facilities

This section contains special construction charges to provide permanent facilities. Charges are developed on an individual case basis and are filed following:

<u>Case No</u>	<u>Telephone Co Customer Name</u>	<u>Charge/Description</u>	<u>Effective Liability Date</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
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