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7. PRIVATE LINE TRANSPORT SERVICE

7.1 GENERAL (Cont'd)

7.1.3 MULTI-PRODUCT PRICING PLANS

A. Variable Term Pricing Plan [1]

The Variable Term Pricing Plan rates for Private Line Transport Service Non-Competitive End User Channel Terminations (EUCTs) subject to Section 203 of the Communications Act are filed in this tariff. Other Private Line Transport Service rates included in this plan are not subject to Section 203 and are provided outside of this tariff.

1. Description

DS1 may be ordered at the customer's option on a month-to-month basis or for a VTPP fixed period of 1 year (12 months), 2 year (24 months), 3 years (36 months) or 5 years (60 months).

When customers with a Variable Term Pricing Plan (VTPP) disconnect the entire service or a portion of the service prior to expiration of the VTPP then Termination Liability and Waiver Charges (TLA) as set forth in Section 7.1.8, following, will apply.

2. Fixed Period Service Rate Plans

The customer may subscribe to a 12-, 24-, 36- or 60-month fixed period service rate plan. The minimum service period for fixed period service is 12 months. The customer must specify the length of the fixed period service at the time the service is ordered.

For customers that subscribe to fixed period service of 12-, 24-, 36- or 60-months, the monthly rates for the entire fixed period will be frozen from Company-initiated increases, at the rates in effect for the fixed period on the service date.

[1] Effective April 1, 2024, Rate Plans of 12 months for Interstate Private Line Transport (DS1/DS3) Services are being grandfathered in all states. Rate Plans of 24-mo, 36-mo, and 60-mo were grandfathered April 1, 2021. New circuits ordered and existing out of term circuits will only have the option of month-to-month tariffed rates. Customers under existing Rate Plans can keep those terms until the expiration of their current term. The existing Rate Plans will not be renewed. Upon expiration of current Rate Plans, plans will revert to month-to-month pricing at the then current tariffed rates.

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7. PRIVATE LINE TRANSPORT SERVICE

7.1 GENERAL

7.1.3 MULTI-PRODUCT PRICING PLANS

- A. Variable Term Pricing Plan [1]
- 2. Fixed Period Service Rate Plans (Cont'd)

DS1 rate elements may be ordered individually and under the month-to-month or any optional rate plan. For example, the customer may order the Channel Termination under the 36-month fixed period service plan, the Transport Channel under the 60-month plan, the Multiplexer on a month-to-month basis, and the Self Healing Alternate Route Protection (SHARP) feature under the 12-month plan.

At the end of the fixed period service, the customer may convert to month-to-month or subscribe to a new fixed period service. The monthly rates will be adjusted to those in effect for the new fixed period service. Should the customer not make a choice by the end of the fixed period, the rates will automatically revert to the month-to-month option.

If a rate decrease occurs during the term of an existing fixed rate plan contract, the reduced rates will automatically be applied to the remaining term of the current contract period.

Effective September 1, 1998, customers establishing a Fixed Period Rate Plan, will not receive a rate decrease if the Company decreases rates during the term of the plan. Fixed Period Rate Plans established on or before August 31, 1998, will automatically receive a rate decrease if the Company decreases rates during the term of the plan.

[1] Effective April 1, 2024, Rate Plans of 12 months for Interstate Private Line Transport (DS1/DS3) Services are being grandfathered in all states. Rate Plans of 24-mo, 36-mo, and 60-mo were grandfathered April 1, 2021. New circuits ordered and existing out of term circuits will only have the option of month-to-month tariffed rates. Customers under existing Rate Plans can keep those terms until the expiration of their current term. The existing Rate Plans will not be renewed. Upon expiration of current Rate Plans, plans will revert to month-to-month pricing at the then current tariffed rates.

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7.1 GENERAL

7.1.3 MULTI-PRODUCT PRICING PLANS

A. Variable Term Pricing Plan (Cont'd)

3. Digital Data Service Upgrades[1] [2]

a. Upgrades in Rate Plans

Services rated under the month-to-month plan or an existing fixed period service rate plan may be upgraded to a new fixed period service rate plan at any time the customer chooses without incurring nonrecurring or discontinuance charges. Where portions of a service are rated under the month-to-month plan (e.g., Multiplexer, Transport Channel) and are connected to fixed period rated service, the customer may upgrade these rate elements at the time the service is upgraded. Additionally, the new fixed period service rate plan must meet or exceed the fixed period service rate plan being upgraded. For example, a rate element with a 36-month fixed period service may be upgraded to a new 36-month, or longer, fixed period service. The monthly rates will be those that are in effect at the time the service is upgraded.

[1] Effective February 1, 2020, Digital Data Service is grandfathered. Availability to current customers who are not under contract is limited to circuits already in place at existing locations. Customers under existing contracts will be allowed to place new orders and moves only to the extent permitted by their contracts. Existing contracts will not be renewed. When contracts expire, customers may retain their service on a month-to-month basis and will be limited in service circuits at existing locations.

[2] **Effective April 1, 2024, Rate Plans of 12 months for Interstate Private Line Transport (DS1/DS3) Services are being grandfathered in all states. Rate Plans of 24-mo, 36-mo, and 60-mo were grandfathered April 1, 2021. New circuits ordered and existing out of term circuits will only have the option of month-to-month tariffed rates. Customers under existing Rate Plans can keep those terms until the expiration of their current term. The existing Rate Plans will not be renewed. Upon expiration of current Rate Plans, plans will revert to month-to-month pricing at the then current tariffed rates.**

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7.1 GENERAL

7.1.3 MULTI-PRODUCT PRICING PLANS

- A. Variable Term Pricing Plan
3. Digital Data Service Upgrades[1] [2] (Cont'd)
- b. DS1 Service Upgrades
- (1) Upgrades in Rate Plans

Services rated under the month-to-month plan or an existing fixed period service rate plan may be upgraded to a new fixed period service rate plan at any time the customer chooses without incurring nonrecurring or discontinuance charges. Where portions of a service are rated under the month-to-month plan (e.g., Multiplexer, Transport Channel) and are connected to fixed period rated service, the customer may upgrade these rate elements at the time the service is upgraded. Additionally, the new fixed period service rate plan must meet or exceed the fixed period service rate plan being upgraded. For example, a rate element with a 36-month fixed period service may be upgraded to a new 36-month, or longer, fixed period service. The monthly rates will be those that are in effect at the time the service is upgraded.

New minimum service period applies to all DS1 rate elements that are upgraded in the following manner:

- If the service being upgraded has been in place for more than 12 months, minimum period provisions will not apply, or
- If the service being upgraded has been in place for less than 12 months, the time in service will be applied against the minimum period term.

[1] Effective February 1, 2020, Digital Data Service is grandfathered. Availability to current customers who are not under contract is limited to circuits already in place at existing locations. Customers under existing contracts will be allowed to place new orders and moves only to the extent permitted by their contracts. Existing contracts will not be renewed. When contracts expire, customers may retain their service on a month-to-month basis and will be limited in service circuits at existing locations.

[2] Effective April 1, 2024, Rate Plans of 12 months for Interstate Private Line Transport (DS1/DS3) Services are being grandfathered in all states. Rate Plans of 24-mo, 36-mo, and 60-mo were grandfathered April 1, 2021. New circuits ordered and existing out of term circuits will only have the option of month-to-month tariffed rates. Customers under existing Rate Plans can keep those terms until the expiration of their current term. The existing Rate Plans will not be renewed. Upon expiration of current Rate Plans, plans will revert to month-to-month pricing at the then current tariffed rates.

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7.11 DS1 SERVICE (Cont'd)

7.11.3 PRICING PLANS

A. The Variable Term Pricing Plan is available as specified in 7.1.3.

7.11.4 RATES AND CHARGES

Rates and charges for Non-Plan, and Zones 1, 2 and 3 apply as set forth in 7.1.1.B.

A. Non-Competitive End User Channel Termination (EUCT), per point of termination

1. 1.544 Mbps

	NON-PLAN	NONRECURRING CHARGE		Zone 3	
		ZONE 1	ZONE 2		
• Monthly	\$311.00	\$311.00	\$311.00	\$311.00	
• 12 Months [1]	311.00	311.00	311.00	311.00	(T)
• 24 Months [1]	311.00	311.00	311.00	311.00	
• 36 Months [1]	311.00	311.00	311.00	311.00	
• 60 Months[1]	311.00	311.00	311.00	311.00	

[1] Effective April 1, 2024, Rate Plans of 12 months for Interstate Private Line Transport (DS1/DS3) Services are being grandfathered in all states. Rate Plans of 24-mo, 36-mo, and 60-mo were grandfathered April 1, 2021. New circuits ordered and existing out of term circuits will only have the option of month-to-month tariffed rates. Customers under existing Rate Plans can keep those terms until the expiration of their current term. The existing Rate Plans will not be renewed. Upon expiration of current Rate Plans, plans will revert to month-to-month pricing at the then current tariffed rates. (C)

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7.11 DS1 SERVICE

7.11.4 RATES AND CHARGES

- A. Non-Competitive End User Channel Termination (EUCT), per point of termination
 - 1. 1.544 Mbps (Cont'd)

		MONTHLY RATE			
	NON-PLAN	ZONE 1	ZONE 2	ZONE 3	
• Monthly	\$140.00	\$137.00	\$140.00	\$147.00	
• 12 Months [1]	117.43	109.91	117.43	127.91	(C)
- Vintage					
8/19/06 through 9/30/14	116.40	108.95	116.40	128.30	
• 24 Months [1]	115.01	107.64	115.01	125.28	
- Vintage					
8/19/06 through 9/30/14	114.00	106.70	114.00	125.60	
• 36 Months [1]	111.38	103.43	111.38	121.32	
- Vintage					
7/1/03 through 9/30/14	110.40	102.53	110.40	122.45	
• 60 Months [1]	96.85	90.63	96.85	105.50	
- Vintage					
7/1/03 through 9/30/14	96.00	89.84	96.00	105.80	

[1] Effective April 1, 2024, Rate Plans of 12 months for Interstate Private Line Transport (DS1/DS3) Services are being grandfathered in all states. Rate Plans of 24-mo, 36-mo, and 60-mo were grandfathered April 1, 2021. New circuits ordered and existing out of term circuits will only have the option of month-to-month tariffed rates. Customers under existing Rate Plans can keep those terms until the expiration of their current term. The existing Rate Plans will not be renewed. Upon expiration of current Rate Plans, plans will revert to month-to-month pricing at the then current tariffed rates.

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7.12 DS3 SERVICE (Cont'd)

7.12.3 PRICING PLANS [1]

A. General

DS3 Service Channel Terminations may initially be ordered on either a Monthly Pricing Plan or a Fixed Period Service Rate Plan of 12-, 24-, 36-, 60-months.

The Fixed Period Service Rate Plan rates for Special Access Non-Competitive End User Channel Terminations (EUCTs) subject to Section 203 of the Communications Act are filed in this tariff. Other Private Line Transport rates included in this plan are not subject to Section 203 and are provided outside of this tariff.

The Fixed Period Service Rate Plans allow the Private Line Transport Service customer to integrate DS3 services into their networks with the assurance of no Company-initiated increases in rates during the fixed period.

All new DS3 Service Channel Terminations installed will have a one month minimum service period when ordered on a Monthly Pricing Plan and 12-month minimum service period when ordered on a Fixed Period Service Rate Plan.

The Termination Liability and Waiver Policy will apply to all new customers subscribing to any DS3 Fixed Period Service Rate Plan.

[1] Effective April 1, 2024, Rate Plans of 12 months for Interstate Private Line Transport (DS1/DS3) Services are being grandfathered in all states. Rate Plans of 24-mo, 36-mo, and 60-mo were grandfathered April 1, 2021. New circuits ordered and existing out of term circuits will only have the option of month-to-month tariffed rates. Customers under existing Rate Plans can keep those terms until the expiration of their current term. The existing Rate Plans will not be renewed. Upon expiration of current Rate Plans, plans will revert to month-to-month pricing at the then current tariffed rates.

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7.12 DS3 SERVICE

7.12.3 PRICING PLANS (Cont'd)

B. Fixed Period Service Rate Plans [1]

1. General

Customers who subscribe to DS3 Service for a 12-, 24-, 36- or 60-month fixed period service rate plan must specify the length of the fixed period service at the time the service is ordered. The minimum service period for Fixed Period Service Rate Plan is 12 months.

For customers who subscribe to fixed period service of 12-, 24-, 36- or 60- months the monthly rates for the entire fixed period will be frozen from Company-initiated increases, at the rates in effect for the fixed period on the service date. At the end of the fixed period, the customer may convert to month-to-month or subscribe to a new fixed period service. The monthly rates will be adjusted to those in effect for the new fixed period service. Should the customer not make a choice by the end of the fixed period, the rates will automatically revert to the month-to-month option.

Fixed Period Service Rate Plans will automatically receive a rate decrease if the Company decreases rates during the term of the plan.

[1] Effective April 1, 2024, Rate Plans of 12 months for Interstate Private Line Transport (DS1/DS3) Services are being grandfathered in all states. Rate Plans of 24-mo, 36-mo, and 60-mo were grandfathered April 1, 2021. New circuits ordered and existing out of term circuits will only have the option of month-to-month tariffed rates. Customers under existing Rate Plans can keep those terms until the expiration of their current term. The existing Rate Plans will not be renewed. Upon expiration of current Rate Plans, plans will revert to month-to-month pricing at the then current tariffed rates.

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7.12 DS3 SERVICE

7.12.3 PRICING PLANS (Cont'd)

C. Upgrades

1. Upgrades in Rate Plans [1]

Services rated under the month-to-month plan or an existing fixed period service rate plan may be upgraded to a new fixed period service rate plan at any time the customer chooses without incurring nonrecurring or discontinuance charges.

Customers served under a fixed period service rate plan may upgrade one or all of the DS3 rate elements to a new fixed period service rate plan without incurring nonrecurring or discontinuance charges. This upgrade will be allowed provided the channel interface and the customer designated premises remain the same. Additionally, the new fixed period service rate plan must meet or exceed the fixed period service rate plan being upgraded. For example, a rate element with a 36-month fixed period service may be upgraded to a new 36-month, or longer, fixed period service. The monthly rates will be those that are in effect at the time the service is upgraded.

New minimum service period applies to all DS3 rate elements that are upgraded in the following manner:

- If the service being upgraded has been in place for more than 12 months, minimum period provisions will not apply, or
- If the service being upgraded has been in place for less than 12 months, the time in service will be applied against the minimum period term.

[1] Effective April 1, 2024, Rate Plans of 12 months for Interstate Private Line Transport (DS1/DS3) Services are being grandfathered in all states. Rate Plans of 24-mo, 36-mo, and 60-mo were grandfathered April 1, 2021. New circuits ordered and existing out of term circuits will only have the option of month-to-month tariffed rates. Customers under existing Rate Plans can keep those terms until the expiration of their current term. The existing Rate Plans will not be renewed. Upon expiration of current Rate Plans, plans will revert to month-to-month pricing at the then current tariffed rates.

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7.12 DS3 SERVICE

7.12.3 PRICING PLANS (Cont'd)

D. Extension of Fixed Period Rate Plan [1]

Customers with DS3 Service under a 24-, 36- or 60-month Fixed Period Rate Plan within 6 months of expiration may extend their Fixed Period Rate Plan rates for an initial period of 12 months by notifying the Company in writing of their intent to do so. The extension of the Fixed Period Rate Plan will begin on the same day that the Fixed Period Rate Plan was to expire. Extension of an existing Fixed Period Rate Plan is available only for the original customer of record for the DS3 Service.

Any customer who extended their Fixed Period Rate Plan rates for an initial 12-month period may extend their Fixed Period Rate Plan rates for a second 12-month period by notifying the Company in writing of their intent to do so. At the end of the second extension, the Fixed Period Rate Plan will change to the current month-to-month rates or the customer may choose to subscribe to a new Fixed Period Rate Plan at the current rates.

[1] Effective April 1, 2024, Rate Plans of 12 months for Interstate Private Line Transport (DS1/DS3) Services are being grandfathered in all states. Rate Plans of 24-mo, 36-mo, and 60-mo were grandfathered April 1, 2021. New circuits ordered and existing out of term circuits will only have the option of month-to-month tariffed rates. Customers under existing Rate Plans can keep those terms until the expiration of their current term. The existing Rate Plans will not be renewed. Upon expiration of current Rate Plans, plans will revert to month-to-month pricing at the then current tariffed rates.

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7.12 DS3 SERVICE (Cont'd)

7.12.4 RATES AND CHARGES

Rates and charges for Non-Plan and Zones 1, 2 and 3 apply as set forth in 7.1.1.B.

A. Current Offerings

1. Non-Competitive End User Channel Termination (EUCT), Per Point of Termination - Electrical Interface

a. Capacity of 1

	NON-PLAN	NONRECURRING CHARGE			
		ZONE 1	ZONE 2	ZONE 3	
• Monthly	\$322.50	\$322.50	\$322.50	\$322.50	
• 12 Months [1]	322.50	322.50	322.50	322.50	(C)
• 24 Months [1]	322.50	322.50	322.50	322.50	
• 36 Months [1]	322.50	322.50	322.50	322.50	
• 60 Months [1]	322.50	322.50	322.50	322.50	

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7. PRIVATE LINE TRANSPORT SERVICE

7.12 DS3 SERVICE

7.12.4 RATES AND CHARGES

A. Current Offerings

1. Non-Competitive End User Channel Termination (EUCT), Per Point of Termination - Electrical Interface

a. Capacity of 1 (Cont'd)

	NON-PLAN	MONTHLY RATE		
		ZONE 1	ZONE 2	ZONE 3
• Monthly	\$1,440.00	\$1,440.00	\$1,440.00	\$1,440.00
• 12 Months [1]	1,382.40	1,382.40	1,382.40	1,382.40
- Vintage 7/1/03 through 9/30/14	1,344.00	1,344.00	1,344.00	1,344.35
• 24 Months [1]	1,368.00	1,368.00	1,368.00	1,368.00
- Vintage 7/1/03 through 9/30/14	1,330.00	1,330.00	1,330.00	1,330.00

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13. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

13.20 FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND CHARGE

13.20.2 CHARGE FACTORS

A. Centrex and Multiline Business

State	Centrex Charge Factor ^[1] , Per individual station line	Multiline Business Charge Factor, Per individual line or trunk
Arizona	0.036816 (R)	0.331345 (R)
Colorado	0.037702 (R)	0.339315 (R)
Idaho (Boise and Spokane LATA)	0.040512 (R)	0.364606 (R)
Iowa	0.037099 (R)	0.333890 (R)
Minnesota	0.046624 (R)	0.419613 (R)
Montana	0.036892 (R)	0.332027 (R)
Nebraska	0.047848 (R)	0.430634 (R)
New Mexico	0.037306 (R)	0.335754 (R)
North Dakota	0.039208 (R)	0.352873 (R)
Oregon	0.037896 (R)	0.341064 (R)
South Dakota	0.056338 (R)	0.507042 (R)
Utah	0.046470 (R)	0.418234 (R)
Washington	0.046095 (R)	0.414851 (R)
Wyoming	0.037395 (R)	0.336559 (R)

B. General Factor,
Per Account **0.328 (R)**

[1] Excludes ISDN on Centrex and Centrex Dormitory (Residential) Service.