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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.6 Obligations of the Customer

In addition to the obligations of the customer set forth in Section 2. preceding, the customer has certain specific obligations pertaining to the use of Switched Access Service: These obligations are as follows:

6.6.1 Facility Requirements

When ordering Switched Access Service, the customer must, at a minimum, specify the Local Transport Entrance Facility, either existing or new, to be used and whether Direct Trunked Transport or Tandem Switched Transport is to be furnished. When Direct Trunked Transport is to be furnished, the customer must also specify the Direct Trunked Transport to be used, either existing or new.

6.6.2 Determination of Number of Transmission Paths

For Feature Group A or CSL BSA and Feature Group B or CST BSA - Option 1 which are ordered on a per line or per trunk basis respectively, and Feature Group D, CST BSA Option 4 when ordered on a per trunk basis, the customer specifies the Entrance Facility, the Direct Trunked Transport, if applicable, and the number of transmission paths in the order for service. A transmission path is a communication path within the frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hz or a derived communication path of a frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 Hz to 3000 Hz provided over a high frequency analog facility or a high speed digital facility between a customer's premises or multiplexing node and a Telephone Company location.

For CCSA signaling connections, the number of transmission paths must be ordered in multiples of 2 or 4. If the CCSA signaling connection is ordered to a customer's STP, a multiple of 4 transmission paths must be ordered. If the CCSA signaling connection is ordered to a customer's Signaling Point (SP), a multiple of 2 transmission paths must be ordered.

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Customers are responsible for providing the following reports to the Telephone Company, when applicable.

(A) Jurisdictional Reports

When a customer orders Switched Access Service for both interstate and intrastate use, the customer is responsible for providing reports as set forth in 2.3.10(A) and (B) preceding. Charges will be apportioned in accordance with those reports. The method to be used for determining the interstate charges is set forth in 2.3.11 preceding.

(B) Code Screening Reports

When a customer orders service class routing, it must report the number of trunks and/or the appropriate codes to be instituted in each end office or access tandem switch, for each of the arrangements ordered.

(C) Reserved for Future Use

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The Telephone Company will administer its network in such a manner that the impact of traffic surges due to peaked 900 Access Service traffic on other access service traffic is minimized. The Telephone Company may, at its option, implement network management controls (e.g., call gapping) to ensure acceptable service levels as defined in Section 6.5.1.

In order to ensure deployment of adequate protective controls, customers must provide notice of 900 media stimulated calling events to the Network Management Center in New England Telephone, or the Network Surveillance and Management Analysis Center in New York Telephone, at least two (2) business days prior to the event. The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine the appropriate level of such controls.

A customer's failure to notify the Telephone Company, as stated above, may result in a discontinuance of service as specified in Section 2.1.8 preceding.

6.6.4 Supervisory Signaling

The customer's facilities shall provide the necessary on-hook, off-hook, answer and disconnect supervision.

6.6.5 Trunk Group Measurement Reports

With the agreement of the customer, trunk group data in the form of usage in CCS, peg count and overflow for its end of all access trunk groups, where technologically feasible, will be made available to the Telephone Company. These data will be used to monitor trunk group utilization and service performance and will be based on previously arranged intervals and format.

6.6.6 Design of Switched Access Services

When a customer orders Switched Access Service on a per line or per trunk basis, the customer shall take reasonable steps to assure that sufficient access services have been ordered to handle its traffic.

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When the Tandem Signaling Option is ordered with the SS7 Signaling Option, the Tandem Switching Provider must set the Texm d timer to a value no greater than 300 milliseconds.

When tandem routed service is provided by a Tandem Switching Provider, and the customer(s) of record for the terminating switched access usage charges is the Tandem Switching Provider, the terminating minutes of use provided through the Tandem Switching Provider location are the responsibility of the Tandem Switching Provider. At the Tandem Switching Provider's request, the Telephone Company will bill each of the Tandem Switching Provider's customers directly for their respective usage, if the Tandem Switching Provider agrees to furnish the Telephone Company, free of charge, the call detail information necessary to bill its customers. [The Tandem Switching Provider shall submit this information to the Telephone Company daily] via Network Data Mover (NDM) electronic transmission in industry standard EMI format as set forth in BR-190402-215 and BR-010200-010. If the Tandem Switching Provider fails to provide the call detail information or fails to provide the information in the required format within thirty (30) days from the call activity date, then the Tandem Switching Provider will be billed for that day's usage. Where the total usage measured by the Telephone Company differs from the total amount of usage provided by the Tandem Switching Provider's detail information, the Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the Tandem Switching Provider to resolve the discrepancies.

The Tandem Switching Provider must retain documentation in support of the billing information for a period of fifteen (15) months after submission of the billing data to the Telephone Company. The Telephone Company reserves the right to audit the billing information upon thirty (30) days' notice to the Tandem Switching Provider. In the event of a discrepancy, if final agreement cannot be reached, charges will be billed based on the results of the audit.

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This section contains the specific regulations governing the rates and charges that apply for Switched Access Service.

6.7.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges

There are three types of rates and charges that apply to Switched Access Service. These are monthly rates, usage rates and nonrecurring charges. Monthly rates and nonrecurring charges are applied as set forth in (A) and (C) following.

Usage rates applied on a per access minute basis are applied differently to the various rate elements as set forth in (D) following.

(A) Monthly Rates

Monthly rates are flat recurring rates that apply each month or fraction thereof that an Entrance Facility, a Direct Trunked Transport Switched Access Service, a Dedicated Tandem Trunk Port, Dedicated End Office Trunk Port, certain dedicated multiplexing functions, chargeable optional features or certain basic service elements are provided. For billing purposes, each month is considered to have 30 days.

In the states where Expanded Interconnection has become operational, monthly rates for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facility Standard Channel Terminations, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport Switched Access Service and certain chargeable Optional Features or basic service elements are arranged in pricing zones. The pricing zone for each serving wire center in the states where Expanded Interconnection has become operational is specified in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

When a customer's designated premises is served by a serving wire center located in a state other than the state in which the customer's designated premises is located, the rates for Switched Access Services for such customer shall be the Switched Access Service rates then in effect for the serving wire center from which the customer is served.

When a customer's designated premises utilizes IDSR Switched Access Service or SONET Service for its Switched Access entrance, the application of monthly rates for the IDSR or SONET Service being provided are set forth in 6.2.13 preceding or Section 26. following, respectively.

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When an Entrance Facility is provided to an Expanded Interconnection multiplexing node or virtual collocation arrangement, an Office Channel Termination(OCT) or Virtual Office Channel Termination(VOCT) recurring rate as set forth in Section 31.6 following applies in all states except the states of New York and Connecticut. In the states of New York and Connecticut, an OCT POT Bay Termination charge and OCT Cable and Frame Termination recurring rate as described in Section 28. following apply for connection(s) to a multiplexing node and a VOCT Access Charge recurring rate as described in Section 28. following applies for connection(s) to a virtual collocation arrangement.

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In addition, monthly rates for DS3 Entrance Facility Standard Channel Terminations apply on a tapered schedule as set forth in Section 31.6 in those states where Expanded Interconnection has become operational and either: (C)

- a total within the state of 100 DS1 equivalent Entrance Facility Office Channel Termination have been provided in the Zone 1 serving wire centers, access tandems or remote nodes in that state or;
- an average of 25 DS1 equivalent Entrance Facility Office Channel Terminations have been provided per Zone 1 serving wire center, access tandem or remote node in that state.

Based on the above requirements, a tapered schedule for DS3 Entrance Facility Standard Channel Terminations is only available in the States of New York and Massachusetts. (N)

The rate to be billed for each channel termination is based on a count of the total eligible Switched and Special Access channel terminations that are in service and in billing at the end of the bill period whether provided on a month to month basis, under one or more discount plans or a combination of both.

The following Switched and Special Access channel termination rate elements are eligible for inclusion in the Telephone Company's monthly count:

- DS3 Switched Access Entrance Facilities standard channel terminations (electrical) in Massachusetts and New York;
- DS3 Switched Access Entrance Facilities standard channel terminations (optical) in Massachusetts and New York;
- 44.736 Mbps High Capacity Special Access Service standard channel terminations (electrical) at a primary premises as described in Section 7.4.9(A)(1) following; and
- 44.736 Mbps High Capacity Special Access Service standard channel terminations (optical) at a primary premises.

A separate monthly rate (not tapered) applies to Switched Access Entrance Facilities channel terminations in Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont. (N)

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)(A) Monthly Rates (Cont'd)

Once a month, the Telephone Company will count all eligible DS3 Switched Access Entrance Facility channel terminations that are in service between the same two locations (e.g., a customer designated premises and the same serving wire center). If that customer designated premises is a primary premises for Special Access Service as defined in Section 7.4.9(A)(1) following, the Telephone Company will also count all eligible 44.736 Mbps High Capacity Special Access Services that are in service. The results are added to obtain the total count for a particular customer designated premises and determine the applicable rate band. This step is repeated for each customer designated premises.

(N)

When a facility carries both Switched and Special Access Service under a Shared Use Arrangement as set forth in 5.2.7 preceding, each channel termination will be counted as either Switched Access or Special Access only, depending on the type of facility originally ordered, but the total number of such circuits will be counted in determining the rate band charged.

The Telephone Company will conduct its count on the first day of each month to use for the next month's billing.

For example, the Telephone Company's total DS3 count for a customer on the first day of December is 16. A customer has six eligible DS3 Switched Access Entrance Facilities and ten eligible High Capacity 44.736 Mbps Special Access Service channel terminations in service at its premises. The applicable rate band for each category (Switched or Special) of channel terminations is band 16. In December, each of the six DS3 Switched Access Entrance Facilities is billed at the then effective rate under band 16 (for Switched Access) and each of the ten High Capacity 44.736 Mbps Special Access Services is billed at the then effective rate under band 16 (for Special Access).

The rate band determined by the last count taken shall be used to calculate all charges incurred by and credits due to the customer for DS3 Switched Access Service Entrance Facility channel terminations established or discontinued during the preceding billing period. The count will not be adjusted for any reason for service order activity occurring after the count is made, including services that were installed prior to the count but were not in billing when the count was taken.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)(B) Usage Rates

Usage rates are rates that apply only when a specific rate element is used. These are applied on a per access minute, per call or per attempt basis. Usage rates are accumulated over a monthly period.

Usage rates for FGD or CST BSA-Option 3 equipped with Switched Wideband Capability will apply on a per trunk basis. The rates will be determined by multiplying the number of measured access minutes for the call, either originating or terminating, by the number of 64 kbps trunks used to establish the n x 64 kbps call.

In the states where Expanded Interconnection has become operational, usage rates for Tandem Switched Transport Service are arranged in pricing zones. The pricing zone for each serving wire center in the states where Expanded Interconnection has become operational is specified in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

When a customer's designate premises is served by a serving wire center located in a state other than the state in which the customer's designated premises is located, the rates for Switched Access Services for such customer shall be the Switched Access Service rates then in effect for the serving wire center from which the customer is served.

When terminating tandem routed traffic is received from a Tandem Switching Provider, switched access usage charges for the terminating minutes of use to each end office from the Tandem Switching provider's location will be billed in the following manner:

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- (1) If the Tandem Switching Provider is not the customer of record, the customer of record, i.e., the customer who ordered the facilities to the Tandem Switching Provider's location, or the customer on whose behalf the Tandem Switching Provider has ordered the facilities as agent for the customer, will be billed for all terminating switched access usage charges. A letter of agency signed by both the Tandem Switching Provider and the Tandem Switching Provider's customer will be required.
- (2) If the Tandem Switching Provider is the customer of record for facilities to the Tandem Switching Provider's location, the terminating switched access usage charges are the responsibility of the Tandem Switching Provider. At the Tandem Switching Provider's request, the Telephone Company will bill each of the Tandem Switching Provider's customers directly for their respective switched access usage charges, if the Tandem Switching Provider agrees to furnish the Telephone Company, free of charge, the call detail information necessary to bill the Tandem Switching Provider's customers, as set forth in Section 6.6.7 preceding.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)(C) Nonrecurring Charges

Nonrecurring charges are one-time charges that apply for a specific work activity (i.e., installation or change to an existing service). The types of nonrecurring charges that apply for Switched Access Service are: installation of service, installation of optional features or basic service elements, and service rearrangements.

In the states where Expanded Interconnection has become operational, nonrecurring charges for DS1 or DS3 Entrance Facility Standard Channel Terminations, certain Optional Features or basic service elements and mid-links are arranged in pricing zones. The pricing zone for each serving wire center in the states where Expanded Interconnection has become operational is specified in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4.

When a customer's designated premises is served by a serving wire center located in a state other than the state in which the customer's designated premises is located, the charges for Switched Access Services for such customer shall be the Switched Access Service charges then in effect for the serving wire center from which the customer is served.

When a customer's designated premises utilizes SONET Service for its Switched Access entrance, nonrecurring charges for the applicable SONET Service apply as set forth in Section 26. following.

When an Entrance Facility is provided to an Expanded Interconnection multiplexing node or virtual collocation arrangement, an Office Channel Termination or Virtual Office Channel Termination nonrecurring charge as set forth in Section 31.6 following applies. In the states of New York and Connecticut, an OCT POT Bay Termination nonrecurring charge and an OCT Cable and Frame Termination nonrecurring charge as described in Section 28. following also apply for connection(s) to a multiplexing node and a VOCT Access nonrecurring charge as described in Section 28. following also applies for connection(s) to a Virtual Collocation arrangement.

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Except as set forth in (3) following, a nonrecurring charge applies for the initial installation of an Entrance Facility and, if applicable, the initial installation of a Channel Mileage Mid-Link and multiplexer. For each Entrance Facility of the same type (i.e., Voice Grade, DS1) ordered at the same time, for the same date and from the same customer premises, multiplexing node or virtual collocation arrangement to the same serving wire center, the applicable Channel Termination nonrecurring charge will apply on a first and additional basis. (C)

The Local Switching nonrecurring charge applies to each Switched Access Service line or trunk installed.

For Switched Access Service ordered on a busy hour minutes of capacity basis (i.e., Tandem Switched Transport), the Local Switching nonrecurring charge is also applied on a per trunk basis, but the charge applies only when the capacity ordered requires the installation of an additional trunk(s).

The nonrecurring charge for CCSA STP Links is applied per link connection.

The nonrecurring charge for Dedicated Links used in the provision of Night Transfer, SMDI or Trunk Group Make Busy BSEs is applied per link connection.

The nonrecurring charge for TRS Equal Access Interconnection is applied per interconnection.

When service is added to a Commitment Discount Plan, the channel termination nonrecurring charge which applies is the lesser of (i) the applicable nonrecurring charge as specified in Section 31. following or (ii) \$1.00.

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Nonrecurring charges also apply for the installation of 900 Access Service. These charges apply on a per LATA basis. A Service Establishment Charge applies to set up 900 Access Service within a LATA. The Service Establishment Charge includes the activation of one NXX code. A separate nonrecurring charge applies for the addition of each additional NXX code in the same LATA coincident with the establishment of service. When the 0+900 Option is added coincident with the initial installation of 900 Access Service or is added to existing 900 Access Service NXX codes, the 0+900 Option Establishment Charge will apply on a per end office basis for each office within the LATA that requires modification to allow for 0+900+NXX-XXXX dialing. When the 0+900 Option is added to existing 900 Access Service NXX codes, the 0+900 Option Establishment Charge includes the activation of one NXX code with the LATA. The 900 Access Service Additional NXX code nonrecurring charge will apply to activate the 0+900 Option on each of the additional NXX codes within the LATA.

(2) Installation of Optional Features or Basic Service Elements

If a separate nonrecurring charge applies for the installation of an optional feature or BSE, the charge applies whether the feature is installed coincident with the initial installation of service or at any time subsequent to the initial installation of service.

For optional feature or BSEs without separate nonrecurring charges, the Local Switching nonrecurring charge will apply when optional features or BSEs are ordered subsequent to the initial installation.

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Service rearrangements are changes to existing (installed) services which do not result in either a change in the minimum period requirements as set forth in 5.2.5 preceding or a change in the physical location of the point of termination at a customer's premises or a customer's end user's premises. Changes which result in the establishment of new minimum period obligations are treated as discontinuances of existing service and installations of new service. Changes in the physical location of the point of termination at a customer designated premises are treated as moves and are described and charged for as set forth in 6.7.5 following.

The charge to the customer for the service rearrangement is dependent on whether the change is administrative only in nature or involves an actual physical change to the service.

Administrative changes, as follow, will be made without charge(s) to the customer:

- Change of customer name;
- Change of customer or customer's end user premises address when the change of address is not a result of a physical relocation of equipment;
- Change in billing data (name, address, or contact name or telephone number);
- Change of agency authorization;
- Change of customer circuit identification;
- Change of billing account number;
- Change of customer test line number;

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- Change of customer or customer's end user contact name or telephone number; and
- Change of jurisdiction.
- If, due to network considerations of the Telephone Company, it was impossible to combine 500, 800 or 900 Access Service traffic with a customer's other trunk side Switched Access Services, no charge shall be applied to combine the trunk groups when it becomes possible.

The following regulations will apply through July 1, 1996 for rerouting of trunks, as defined in Section 2.6 preceding, from end office to access tandem or from access tandem to end office, or for 800 Database Service rearrangements, or for changes in transport type from Tandem Switched Transport to Direct Trunked Transport or vice versa, or for changes in traffic type from originating only or terminating only to two-way. In addition, through July 1, 1996, customers who wish to rearrange Switched Access Services from one Switched Access Facility onto a different existing or new Switched Access facility will be subject to the regulations set forth in (e) following. Installation of new Switched Access facilities for rearrangements will not be subject to a nonrecurring charge. The Telephone Company guarantees to provide these rearrangements on orders due dated no later than July 1, 1996. These regulations apply to Switched Access Services only and will not include Special Access Services provided on a Shared Use facility as set forth in Section 5.2.7 preceding.

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(a) Trunk Rearrangements

- If the change involves rearrangement of a customer's trunkside Switched Access Service Arrangement from direct routed to tandem routed, or from tandem routed to direct routed, a charge as set forth in Section 31.6 following shall apply for the customer requested rearrangement, provided all of the following conditions are met.
- The same customer premises or multiplexing node is maintained;
- The direct routed end office must subtend the tandem which service is being rearranged to or from;
- The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine the equivalent basis for the trunk rearrangements based on industry accepted engineering standards; and
- The orders to connect at the tandem or end office must be placed at the same time as the orders to disconnect from the end office or tandem. The due date for the disconnect order may not be more than 90 days after the due date for the connect order.

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In compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's Order In the Matter of Transport Rate Structure and Pricing, CC Docket No. 91-213, released May 16, 1997, the Trunk Rearrangement Nonrecurring Charge as set forth in Section 31.6.1(J)(2) following for rerouting of trunks, as defined in Section 2.6 preceding, from end office to access tandem or from access tandem to end office shall be waived through January 1, 1999. Installation of new Switched Access facilities for such trunk rearrangements will not be subject to a nonrecurring charge. The Telephone Company guarantees to provide these rearrangements at no charge on orders due dated no later than January 1, 1999.

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6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.7.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

(C) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

(3) Service Rearrangements (Cont'd)

(c) Tandem Transport Type Rearrangements

- If the change involves Tandem Switched Transport changed to Direct Trunked Transport or vice versa, a charge as set forth in Section 31.6 following shall apply, provided that the equivalent number of facilities are changed and the access tandem and customer premises or multiplexing node remain the same.

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(d) Traffic Type Rearrangements

- If the customer requests a change from originating only or terminating only traffic type to two-way traffic type (i.e., originating and terminating), a charge as set forth in Section 31.6 shall apply provided the same customer premises or multiplexing node is maintained.

(e) Rearrangements onto existing IDSR/DS3/DS1 Facilities or SONET Service (C)

- Rearrangements of Switched Access Services onto an existing Switched Access IDSR, DS3 or DS1 Facility or SONET Service will be subject to the rearrangement charge set forth in Section 31.6 provided the same customer designated premises and end points of the underlying Switched Access Services remain the same. (C)

All other service rearrangements will be subject to the regulations set forth following.

- Subsequent to the initial installation of 900 Access Service or the 0+900 Option, any addition or deletion of a 900 Access Service NXX will be charged for as set forth following. A nonrecurring charge applies for the first NXX code added or deleted and a separate nonrecurring charge applies for each additional NXX code added or deleted at the same time in the same LATA on the same order. For the deletion of the 0+900 Option, the 900 Access Service Subsequent Order Initial and Additional NXX code nonrecurring charge will apply per NXX to deactivate 0+900+NXX-XXXX dialing. The 0+900 Option must be deleted from all NXX codes provided within a LATA. The charges are as set forth in 31.6 following.

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6.7.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

(C) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

(3) Service Rearrangements (Cont'd)

- If the change involves the rearrangement of existing Switched Access Services from a digital Interface Group to another capable of a higher bit rate (e.g., from Interface Group 6 to Interface Group 9), to a multiplexed 44.736 Mbps High Capacity facility, to an IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring, (T)
IntelliLight® Shared Assurance Network Service, or (C)
IntelliLight® Entrance Facility, the Digital to Digital (C)
rearrangement charge set forth in 31.6 following will apply per Interface Group with the lower bit rate capability. No charge applies to the individual Switched Access Services provided within the Interface Group unless the customer changes the service type or changes only a portion of the individual services from one Interface Group to the other, in which case the appropriate nonrecurring charge for each change will apply.

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- If the change involves the rearrangement of an existing Telephone Company provided Switched Access Service Feature Group B, C or D Service into a Telephone Company provided Switched Access Service under an Expanded Interconnection Arrangement, or from one Telephone Company provided Expanded Interconnection Arrangement to another within the same Telephone Company serving wire center, access tandem or remote node, an Interconnection Rearrangement Charge as set forth in 31.6.1(J)(8)(a) following will apply for each service reconfigured.
- If the change involves the rearrangement of a Telephone Company provided Switched Access Feature Group B, C or D provided under an Expanded Interconnection Arrangement to a Telephone Company provided Switched Access Service an Interconnection Rearrangement Charge as set forth in 31.6.1(J)(8)(b) following will apply for each service reconfigured.
- If the change involves the conversion of existing Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3 services with multifrequency address signaling to Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3 with the SS7 signaling option, a rearrangement charge, as set forth in 31.6.1 following will apply for the first trunk converted, and an additional trunk rearrangement charge, as set forth in 31.6.1 following will apply for each additional trunk ordered and converted at the same time.
- If the change involves a change of point code on Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3 with the SS7 signaling option, a rearrangement charge as set forth in 31.6.1 following will apply on a first and additional basis for all orders placed at the same time, between the same two points and for the same due date.

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- If the change involves the conversion of existing Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3 services with multifrequency address signaling to Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3 with the SS7 signaling option, a rearrangement charge, as set forth in 31.6.1 following will apply for the first trunk converted, and an additional trunk rearrangement charge, as set forth in 31.6.1 following will apply for each additional trunk ordered and converted at the same time.
- If the change involves a change of point code of Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3 with the SS7 signaling option, a rearrangement charge as set forth in 31.6.1 following will apply on a first and additional basis for all orders placed at the same time, between the same two points and for the same due date.
- If the change involves the addition of an optional feature or BSE which has a separate nonrecurring charge, that nonrecurring charge will apply.
- If the change involves a modification to an existing FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 to include the provision of 64 kbps Clear Channel Capability, the Local Switching nonrecurring charge will apply per trunk.
- For all other changes, including the addition of, or modifications to, optional features or BSEs without separate nonrecurring charges, except when adding the Advanced Access Screening Capability to existing FGD or CST BSA-Option 3 trunks, the Local Switching nonrecurring charge will apply. When an optional feature or BSE is not required on each transmission path, but for an entire transmission path group, an end office or an access tandem switch, only one such charge will apply (i.e., it will not apply per transmission path).

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- In the New England Telephone operating territory, if the change involves a modification to a FGB, FGC, FGD or CST BSA - Option 1, 2 or 3 to include the initial provision of 900 Access Service in addition to non-900 Access Service traffic, the Local Switching nonrecurring charge will apply for service rearrangements on the existing trunks.

(4) Conversion of Feature Group Arrangements to Basic Serving Arrangements

Nonrecurring charges will not apply for the conversion of existing Feature Group Arrangements to a BSA equivalent with equivalent BSEs provided the conversion does not involve a change in the technical characteristics of the existing service. If the requested BSA conversion results in a change in the technical characteristics of the existing Feature Group Arrangement, nonrecurring charges may apply as set forth in (3) preceding.

(D) Application of Rates

Local Switching and certain Local Transport rates are applied either as premium rates or transitional rates.

The Local Transport Interconnection Charge is applied to all access minutes based upon the directionality of the traffic carried over the Switched Access Service and whether or not it is collocated (provided under an Expanded Interconnection arrangement at an end office). The originating Interconnection Charge rate will apply to all originating access minutes of use except those associated with calls placed to 700, 800 and 900 numbers. The terminating Interconnection Charge rate will apply to all terminating access minutes of use and all originating access minutes of use associated with calls placed to 700, 800 and 900 numbers.

Within the New York Metro LATA, the Local Transport Interconnection Charge is also arranged in pricing zones. The pricing zone for each wire center is specified in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

The specific application of premium and transitional rates for a specific customer is dependent upon the Switched Access Service Arrangement and the availability of equal access capabilities in the end office to which the service is provided.

The following rules provide the basis for applying the premium and transitional rates.

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- (1) Premium rates apply to all:
 - (a) FGC, FGD and CST BSA - Option 2, 3, and 4 access minutes;
 - (b) FGA, FGB, CSL BSA and CST BSA - Option 1 access minutes that originate from, or terminate at, end offices equipped with equal access (i.e., FGD or CST BSA - Option 3) capabilities, except end offices equipped with Minimum Divergence Access Service;
 - (c) Access minutes that originate from, or terminate at, end offices not equipped with equal access capabilities or end offices equipped with equal access capabilities or end offices equipped with Minimum Divergence Access Service capabilities, when the service is provided to customers which furnish interstate MTS/WATS; and
 - (d) 800 Access Service access minutes that originate from end offices not equipped with equal access capabilities when the customer elects to combine such traffic with its tandem routed FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 traffic.
- (2) Transitional rates (e.g., discounted access minute rates) apply to FGA, FGB, CSL BSA and CST BSA - Option 1 access minutes (measured or assumed) that originate from or terminate at
 - (a) End offices not equipped with equal access capabilities; or
 - (b) End offices equipped with Minimum Divergence Access Service except as set forth in (1)(c) preceding.
- (3) When FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 Switched Access Service provided to an entry switch (i.e., dial tone office for FGA or CSL BSA and access tandem for FGB or CST BSA - Option 1) has usage originating from and/or terminating at both end offices that have been converted to equal access and end offices that have not been converted, the premium and transitional rates will apply for Switched Access Service (including Carrier Common Line) in the following manner:

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- (a) All access minutes that originate from or terminate at the equal access end office(s), and 800 Data Base Access Service access minutes originating from or terminating to end offices equipped with Minimum Divergence Access Service capabilities, will be billed at premium rates. Access minutes that originate from or terminate at end offices not equipped with equal access capabilities, or end offices not equipped with Minimum Divergence Access Service capabilities, hereinafter referred to as non-premium access minutes, will be billed at transitional rates. Transitional usage rates will apply to FGA, FGB, CSL BSA and CST BSA - Option 1 services as follows. The number of non-premium access minutes to be billed at transitional rates is derived by subtracting the number of premium rated access minutes from the total number of access minutes. Premium access minutes will be determined as set forth in (b) following.
- (b) The number of access minutes to be rated as premium access minutes is determined as follows.
- (i) Where measurement capability exists, and end office specific usage data is available, premium rates will apply to all access minutes originating from or terminating at equal access end offices, excluding non-800 access minutes originating from or terminating at end offices where Minimum Divergence Access Service is provided.

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(3) (Cont'd)

(b) (Cont'd)

- (ii) Where measurement capability does not exist and/or end office specific usage data is not available, originating and/or terminating usage will be apportioned between premium and non-premium usage as described following. The usage to be apportioned will be the recorded usage or the assumed usage as set forth in 6.7.6 following. Such apportionment will be based on the ratio of the number of subscriber lines in the access area (i.e., local calling area or LATA or end offices subtending the access tandem, as appropriate) of the entry switch that are served by equal access end offices to the total number of subscriber lines in that access area. For purposes of this apportionment, lines served by Minimum Divergence Access Service end offices will be included in the count of equal access lines for billing of access minutes. The ratio thus developed is applied to the total measured or assumed originating or terminating FGA, FGB, CSL BSA, or CST BSA - Option 1 usage, as applicable, to determine the usage to be billed at premium rates, unless adjusted as set forth in (iii) following.

The ratios used to determine the premium usage will be updated on a quarterly basis. The ratios to be used for the succeeding quarter will be provided to the customer with the last bill rendered in the quarter or mailed separately within five working days after the first day of the new quarter (i.e., January, April, July and October). The Telephone Company will, upon request, furnish such detailed information as may reasonably be required for verification of ratios used to determine the premium usage.

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(3) (Cont'd)

(b) (Cont'd)

(ii) (Cont'd)

For purposes of administering this provision: (1) subscriber lines are defined as exchange service lines and Centrex lines provided by the Telephone Company under its local and/or general exchange service tariff, (2) the access area is defined as the local calling area of the dial tone office for originating FGA or CSL BSA and the entire LATA for terminating FGA or CSL BSA, all end offices subtending the access tandem for originating and terminating FGB or CST BSA - Option 1, and (3) the local calling area of the dial tone office is as defined in the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariff.

(iii) Where FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 Switched Access Service is provided to a customer in an end office(s) where FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 premium access minutes have been determined in accordance with (ii) preceding, such premium access minutes will be adjusted in the following manner. For each FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 access minute (excluding FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 provided with SWITCHWAY Service Access Capability optional feature access minutes) originating from or terminating at that end office, the originating or terminating FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 premium access minutes determined as set forth in (ii) preceding will be reduced on a one for one basis, but in no event shall the reduction exceed the total number of FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 premium access minutes originating from or terminating at that end office. Originating FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 access minutes are used to reduce only originating FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 premium access minutes. Terminating FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 access minutes are used to reduce only terminating FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 premium access minutes. The customer will be billed for the revised number of premium access minutes.

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- (4) Where originating and/or terminating recording capability does not exist for FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 provided via Tandem Switched Transport to an entry switch and for originating CST BSA - Option 4, the number of access minutes will be assumed as set forth in 6.7.6. following.
- (5) For terminating CST BSA - Option 4 with the DNIS on 800 BSE, the rates and charges as set forth in Section 31.6.2.(C) following will apply.

The Telephone Company will provide written notification to all access customers of record within a particular LATA that an end office in that LATA is scheduled to be converted to an equal access end office. This notification will be sent, via certified U.S. Mail, to each customer of record in the LATA where the conversion is scheduled to occur, at least six months in advance of the conversion date. The customer will have the choice of converting existing services to equal access (i.e., Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3) at no charge pursuant to the conditions set forth in 6.7.4 following or retaining the existing services. Except as set forth in 6.7.1(D)(2) preceding, premium rates will apply to the total access minutes beginning on the actual conversion date, whether the customer chooses to convert to FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 or retain existing services.

(E) Application of Local Transport Rates

- (1) For Switched Access Service Entrance Facilities, the rate applies on a recurring monthly basis for the capacity of the Entrance Facility (i.e., OC3, OC12, OC48, OC192, DS3, DS1, VG) ordered. (S)(x)
These rates are set forth in Section 31.6 following. When (C)
connected to an Expanded Interconnection arrangement in the states of New York and Connecticut, rates also apply on a recurring monthly basis for connection to the Expanded Interconnection arrangement as set forth in Section 31.28 following. (C)

For IntelliLight® Entrance Facility Service, the STS1 rates apply on a recurring monthly basis for each STS1 arranged as Switched Access transport. Such rates are set forth in Section 31.26 following.

For IntelliLight® Shared Assurance Network Service, ISAN NAP Entrance Ring rates apply for the portion of the entrance ring arranged as Switched Access Service. ISAN rates are set forth in Section 31.26 following. (T)

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- (2) For Direct Trunked Transport, the channel mileage applies on a fixed and per mile monthly basis. When the channel mileage is zero (i.e., the end office switch or WSO, as appropriate, and the customer's serving wire center are located in the same building, or as set forth in 2.4.8 preceding for Foreign Exchange Service in the New York - New Jersey Corridor) the channel mileage rates do not apply.
- (3) When Direct Trunked Transport is provided to an end office which is a host office, in addition to the appropriate channel mileage monthly rate, the customer will be billed the Host/Remote Transport Termination rate on a per minute of use basis and the Host/Remote Transport Facility rate on a per mile per minute basis for the transport of the call to or from a remote switching system (RSS) or a remote switching module (RSM). The mileage for the Host/Remote Transport Facility rate element will be measured from the host office to the RSS or RSM. The calculation of the mileage is as set forth in 6.7.11(F) following.
- (4) For Tandem Switched Transport, channel mileage applies on a fixed and per mile basis for the dedicated transport between the serving wire center and access tandem. Except for TRS access minutes, the per mile per minute Local Transport Facility and the per minute Local Transport Termination rates apply for the common transport from the access tandem to the end office. The per minute Tandem Switching and Transport Multiplexing rates apply to all minutes of use switched at the access tandem. The Channel Mileage and Local Transport Facility mileage calculation is as set forth in 6.7.11(H) following. In addition, a Dedicated Tandem Trunk Port rate applies on a monthly basis for every activated Direct Trunked Transport trunk which terminates on the serving wire center side of the access tandem.
- (5) Reserved for future use.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)(E) Application of Local Transport Rates (Cont'd)

- (6) When the Local Transport Facility mileage is zero as set forth in 2.4.8 preceding for Foreign Exchange Service in the New York - New Jersey Corridor), the Local Transport Facility rate does not apply.
- (7) When Tandem Switched Transport is provided to a remote end office, in addition to the rates set forth in (4) preceding for the transport from the tandem to the host office, the customer will be billed the Host/Remote Transport Termination rate per minute of use and the Host/Remote Transport Facility rate per mile per minute for the transport of the call to or from the remote switching system (RSS) or remote switching module (RSM). The mileage for the Host/Remote Transport Facility will be measured from the host office to the RSS or RSM. The calculation of the mileage is as set forth in 6.7.11(F) following.
- (8) For Feature Group A or CSL BSA Access Services when the off-hook supervisory signaling is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers, the Local Transport Termination and Transport Multiplexing rates per minute of use and the Local Transport Facility rate per mile per minute will apply for the transport of the call from the dialtone office to the end office to which the traffic terminates or from which the traffic originates. The mileage for the Local Transport Facility will be measured from the dialtone office to the end office. The calculation of the mileage is as set forth in 6.7.11 following.
- (9) For switched access services used in the provision of 800 Data Base Access where the originating end office does not have 888 or 877 SSP capability, and the customer must order Tandem Switched Transport to receive such traffic the Telephone Company will apply a rate adjustment factor to the Tandem Switching and Local Transport Termination minute of use rates and the Local Transport Facility per mile per minute rates, until either the 888 or 877 SSP capability becomes available at the end office or until December 31, 1999, whichever comes first, if the following criteria are met:
- SSP capability for 800 Data Base Access service already exists in the end office; and
 - The customer has Direct Trunked Transport facilities in place at the end office.

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(9) (Cont'd)

The rate adjustment factor (RAF) will be applied to the tandem switched transport rates in the following manner:

<u>Rate Element</u>	<u>RAF</u>
Tandem Switching	12%
Local Transport Termination	42%
Local Transport Facility	71%

The resultant adjusted switched transport rates will then be applied to eligible 888 or 877 minutes on a monthly basis. If the customer is under a Tandem Switched Transport Service Discount Plan, the rate adjustment factors will be applied to the discounted Local Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility rates.

(F) Application of Common Channel Signaling Access (CCSA) Rates

The STP Link Termination rate applies on a per month basis. The STP Link Channel Mileage rate applies on a fixed and a per mile per month basis. The channel mileage rate will not apply if the mileage measurement between STP locations is zero.

(G) 800 Data Base Access Service Customer Identification Charge

The 800 Data Base Access Service Customer Identification Charge, as specified in 31.6 following, applies to each 800 Data Base Access Service call delivered to the customer. The charge is assessed to the customer on a per query basis and may consist of customer identification [i.e., Carrier Identification Code (CIC)], delivery of the dialed 800 ten-digit number, ANI, and the allowable area of service, designated by the customer, from which 800 calls can be received.

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Unless the customer has an active Call Handling and Destination Feature, customers requesting delivery of a translated POTS telephone number will be assessed the 800 to POTS Number Translation rate on a per query basis. This rate will apply in addition to the 800 Data Base Access Service Customer Identification Charge specified in (G) preceding. The 800 to POTS Number Translation Optional Feature rates are set forth in 31.6 following.

(I) 800 Data Base Access Service Call Handling and Destination Feature Rates and Charges

A recurring rate will apply on a per query basis when options of the Call Handling and Destination Feature are used for call routing information. This rate applies in addition to the Customer Identification Charge as set forth in (G) preceding. When a combination of one or more of the options of the Call Handling and Destination Feature is used on the same call, only one such per query rate shall apply.

(Z)

The Call Handling and Destination Feature recurring rates are set forth in Section 31.6 following.

(J) Application of Dedicated Link Rates and Charges

The Dedicated Link Channel Termination rate applies on a per month basis. The Dedicated Link Channel Mileage rate applies on a fixed and a per mile per month basis. The Channel Mileage rate will not apply if the mileage measurement between the Telephone Company end office and the serving wire center of the customer premises is zero. The Dedicated Link is for use with Night Transfer, SMDI and Trunk Group Make Busy BSEs only.

(K) Application of 900 Access Service Rates

A recurring rate will apply on a per call basis for each end user call forwarded to the customer. The 900 Access Service per call rates are set forth in Section 31.6 following.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)(L) Tandem Signaling Option

When the Tandem Signaling Option is provided with originating Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3 service, the usage sensitive rate elements (e.g., Local Switching, Interconnection Charge) will be billed to the customer to whom the Carrier Identification Code is assigned.

(M) Advanced Access Screening Capability Customer Identification Charge

The Advanced Access Screening Capability Customer Identification Charge applies for the identification of the appropriate Advanced Access Screening Capability customer. The charge is assessed to the customer on a per call basis. The per call rate is set forth in 31.6 following.

6.7.2 Minimum Periods

Switched Access Service and monthly rated optional features or BSEs are provided for a minimum period of three months, except when service is provided as IDSR or provided under a Commitment Discount Plan as set forth in Section 25.1 following, in which case the minimum period is one year for the mileage and node rate elements and one month for the port rate elements. (C)
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SONET Services used in the provision of Switched Access Services are subject to the minimum period for the type of SONET service involved. Minimum periods for SONET Services are set forth in Section 26. following.

6.7.3 Minimum Monthly Charge

Switched Access Service is subject to a minimum monthly charge. The minimum charge applies for the total capacity provided. The minimum monthly charge for the Local Transport and Local Switching rate elements is the sum of the charges set forth in 31.6 following for the measured or assumed usage for the month.

For monthly rated optional features or BSEs, the minimum monthly charge is the tariff monthly rate as set forth in 31.6 following.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.4 Change of Switched Access Service Arrangement Type

Changes from one type of Switched Access Service Arrangement to another (e.g., non-900 FGB to FGD or non-900 CST BSA - Option 1 to CST BSA - Option 3) will be treated as a discontinuance of one type of service and a start of another. Local Switching and Local Transport nonrecurring charges will apply, with three exceptions.

- (A) When a customer upgrades a Feature Group A or non-900 FGB to a Feature Group D, or CSL BSA or non-900 CST BSA - Option 1 service to CST BSA - Option 3 service, the nonrecurring charge will not apply if the following conditions are met:
- The same customer premises or multiplexing node is maintained; and
 - The orders for the disconnect of the FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 service and the start of FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 service are placed with the Telephone Company at the same time; and
 - The customer requests the same effective date for both the disconnect of service and start of service orders; or
 - The customer requests the FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 service be disconnected no more than 60 days after allocation translation.
- (B) When a FGC is upgraded to a FGD or CST BSA - Option 2 service is upgraded to CST BSA - Option 3 service, the nonrecurring charges will not apply. Because FGC or CST BSA - Option 2 are no longer available in an end office once the end office is equipped with equal access capabilities (i.e., FGD or CST BSA - Option 3), such upgrades will be performed by the Telephone Company without the customer's being required to place an order for the change.

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- (C) When a FGB for 900 Access Service is upgraded to a FGD, or CST BSA - Option 1 for 900 Access Service is upgraded to CST BSA - Option 3 the nonrecurring charges will not apply. Because FGB for 900 Access Service or CST BSA - Option 1 for 900 Access Service is no longer available in an end office once the end office is equipped with equal access capabilities (i.e., FGD or CST BSA - Option 3), such upgrades will be performed by the Telephone Company without the customer's being required to place an order the change.

When the effective dates for the disconnect and start of service are the same, minimum period obligations will not change (i.e., the time elapsed in the existing minimum period obligations will be credited to the minimum period obligations for the FGD or CST BSA - Option 3. When the effective dates for the disconnect and start of service are different, new minimum period obligations will be established for the FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 service. For all other changes from one type of Switched Access Service Arrangement to another, new minimum period obligations will also be established.

6.7.5 Moves

A move involves a change in the physical location of one of the following:

- The point of termination at the customer's or the customer's end user's premises; or
- The customer's premises.

The charges for the move are dependent on whether the move is to a new location within the same building or to a different building.

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6.7.5 Moves (Cont'd)

(A) Moves Within the Same Building

When the move is to a new location within the same building, the charge for the move will be the Local Switching nonrecurring charge for the capacity affected. In addition, when signaling conversion equipment required for E&M Supervisory Signaling is moved to a new location in the same building, the charge for the move will be an amount equal to one half of the nonrecurring charge for the E&M Supervisory Signaling optional feature. There will be no change in the minimum period requirements.

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Moves to a different building will be treated as a discontinuance and start of service and all associated nonrecurring charges, including nonrecurring charges applicable to optional features, or BSEs will apply. New minimum period requirements will be established for the new service. The customer will also remain responsible for satisfying all outstanding minimum period charges for the discontinued service.

6.7.6 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer traffic to end offices will be measured (i.e., recorded or assumed) by the Telephone Company at end office switches or access tandem switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured (i.e., recorded or assumed) by the Telephone Company to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. For terminating calls over FGA, FGB, FGC to 800, FGD, CSL BSA, CST BSA - Option 1, CST BSA - Option 2 to 800 and CST BSA - Option 3, and for originating calls over FGA or CSL BSA where the off-hook supervisory signal is provided by the customer's equipment, FGB non-900 service, FGD, CST BSA - Option 1 non-900 service, and CST BSA - Option 3, the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes. When Minimum Divergence Access Service is provided and the Telephone Company entry switch receives answer supervision from the customer's equipment, chargeable access minutes will be obtained by adding the recorded originating measured minutes to a non-conversation time additive (NCTA). This NCTA, which is the time on a completed attempt from customer acknowledgment of receipt of call to called party answer (set up and ringing), will be developed by the Telephone Company. For all other originating calls over Minimum Divergence Access Service, the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes. For originating calls over FGA or CSL BSA where the off-hook supervisory signal is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers, FGB 900, FGC, CST BSA - Option 1 900, and CST BSA - Option 2, chargeable originating access minutes are derived from recorded minutes in the following manner.

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- Step 1: Obtain recorded originating minutes and messages (measured as set forth in (A), (B) and (C) following for FGA or CSL BSA where the off-hook supervisory signal is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers, FGB 900, FGC, CST BSA - Option 1 900, and CST BSA - Option 2 respectively) from the appropriate recording data.
- Step 2: Obtain the total attempts by dividing the originating measured messages by the completion ratio. Completion ratios (CR) are obtained separately for the major call categories such as DDD, operator, 800, 900, directory assistance and international from a sample study which analyzes the ultimate completion status of the total attempts which receive acknowledgment from the customer. That is, Measured Messages divided by Completion Ratio equals Total Attempts.
- Step 3: Obtain the total non-conversation time additive (NCTA) by multiplying the total attempts (obtained in Step 2) by the NCTA per attempt ratio. The NCTA per attempt ratio is obtained from the sample study identified in Step 2 by measuring the non-conversation time associated with both completed and incompletd attempts. The total NCTA is the time on a completed attempt from customer acknowledgement of receipt of call to called party answer (set up and ringing) plus the time on an incompletd attempt from customer acknowledgement of call until the access tandem or end office receives a disconnect signal (ring - no answer, busy or network blockage). That is, Total Attempts times Non-Conversation Time per Attempt Ratio equals Total NCTA.
- Step 4: Obtain total chargeable originating access minutes by adding the total NCTA (obtained in Step 3) to the recorded originating measured minutes (obtained in Step 1). That is Measured Minutes plus NCTA equals Chargeable Originating Access Minutes.

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Following is an example which illustrates how the chargeable originating access minutes are derived from the measured originating minutes using this formula:

Where:	Measured Minutes (M. Min.)	= 7,000
	Measured Messages (M. Mes.)	= 1,000
	Completion Ratio (CR)	= .75
	NCTA per Attempt	= .4

- Total Attempts = $\frac{1,000 \text{ (M. Mes.)}}{.75 \text{ (CR)}} = 1,333.33$

- Total NCTA = $.4 \text{ (NCTA per Attempt)} \times 1,333.33 = 533.33$

- Total Chargeable Originating Access Minutes =
 $7,000 \text{ (M. Min)} + 533.33 \text{ (NCTA)} = 7,533.33$

When assumed minutes are used, the assumed minutes are the chargeable access minutes.

FGA or CSL BSA access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each line or hunt group, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each line or hunt group. FGB, FGC, FGD and CST BSA - Option 1, 2 or 3 access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each end office, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each end office.

Assumed minutes are used for FGA or CSL BSA services which originate or terminate in end offices not equipped with measurement capabilities and for originating CST BSA - Option 4 services.

The assumed average interstate access minutes for FGA, CSL BSA or originating CST BSA - Option 4 are as set forth following.

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When a FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 service arranged for two way calling is provided where neither the originating nor terminating access minutes are recorded, the assumed average interstate access minutes are State specific access minutes as set forth following. In addition, the number of access minutes assumed to be originating and assumed to be terminating are State specific Originating and Terminating assumed access minutes, respectively, as set forth following. When a FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 service arranged for two way calling is provided where recording capability exists for either originating or terminating usage, but not both, the number of assumed access minutes per two-way service will be the State specific Two Way Calling access minutes as set forth following or the recorded usage, whichever is greater. If the usage in the measured direction exceeds the State specific Two Way Calling assumed access minutes, it will be assumed that there is zero usage in the unmeasured direction. If the measured usage is less than the State specific Two Way Calling assumed access minutes, the usage in the unmeasured direction will be assumed to the State specific Two Way Calling assumed access minutes minus the measured usage (e.g., in the State of Maine, 2724 - 1000 measured = 1724 assumed in the unmeasured direction).

When a FGA, FGB, CSL BSA, CST BSA - Option 1 or CST BSA - Option 4 service arranged for originating only Switched Access Service is provided where the originating access minutes are not recorded, the assumed average originating access minutes are the State specific Originating access minutes are set forth following and no terminating access minutes will apply.

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When a FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 service arranged for terminating only Switched Access Service is provided where the terminating access minutes are not recorded, the assumed average terminating access minutes are the State specific Terminating access minutes as set forth following and no originating access minutes will apply.

<u>Assumed Minutes of Use</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MA</u>	<u>NH</u>	<u>RI</u>	<u>VT</u>	<u>NY</u>
Originating per Line or Trunk	1040	1615	946	1449	1186	1306
Terminating per Line or Trunk	1684	3866	1780	2349	2456	587
Two Way Calling per Line or Trunk	2724	5481	2726	3798	3642	1893

(A) Feature Group A/CSL BSA Usage Measurement

For originating calls over FGA or CSL BSA, usage measurement begins when the originating FGA or CSL BSA entry switch receives an off-hook supervisory signal forwarded from the customer's point of termination. (This off-hook signal is either provided by the customer's equipment or is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers.)

The measurement of originating call usage over FGA or CSL BSA ends when the originating FGA or CSL BSA entry switch receives an on-hook supervisory signal from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

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For terminating calls over FGA or CSL BSA, usage measurement begins when the terminating FGA or CSL BSA entry switch receives an off-hook supervisory signal from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered. The measurement of terminating call usage over FGA or CSL BSA ends when the terminating FGA or CSL BSA entry switch receives an on-hook supervisory signal from either the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

Additionally, when any or all the usage over an unmeasured FGA or CSL BSA line or FGB or CST BSA - Option 1 trunk originates or terminates to a WATS Access Line(s) and the total FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 usage recorded at the WATS Serving Office(s) exceeds the assumed usage(s) set forth preceding for FGA, FGB, CSL BSA or CST BSA - Option 1 the recorded usage will be billed to the customer in lieu of the assumed usage.

(B) Feature Group B/CST BSA - Option 1 Usage Measurement

For non-900 originating calls over FGB or CST BSA - Option 1, usage measurement begins when the originating FGB or CST BSA - Option 1 entry switch receives answer supervision forwarded from the customer's point of termination, indicating the customer's equipment has answered.

The measurement of originating non-900 service call usage over FGB or CST BSA - Option 1 ends when the originating FGB or CST BSA - Option 1 entry switch receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

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For originating 900 calls over FGB or CST BSA - Option 1, usage measurement begins when the originating FGB or CST BSA - Option 1 entry switch receives answer supervision from the customer's point of termination, indicating the called party has answered.

The measurement of originating 900 service call usage over FGB or CST BSA - Option 1 ends when the originating FGB or CST BSA - Option 1 entry switch receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

For terminating calls over FGB or CST BSA - Option 1, usage measurement begins when the terminating FGB or CST BSA - Option 1 entry switch receives answer supervision from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered.

The measurement of terminating call usage over FGB or CST BSA - Option 1 ends when the terminating FGB or CST BSA - Option 1 entry switch receives disconnect supervision from either the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

(C) Feature Group C/CST BSA - Option 2 Usage Measurement

For originating calls over FGC or CST BSA - Option 2, usage measurement begins when the originating FGC or CST BSA - Option 2 entry switch receives answer supervision from the customer's point of termination, indicating the called party has answered.

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The measurement of originating call usage over FGC or CST BSA - Option 2 ends when the originating FGC or CST BSA - Option 2 entry switch receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

For terminating calls over FGC or CST BSA - Option 2 to services other than 800, 900 or Directory Assistance, terminating FGC or CST BSA - Option 2 usage may not be directly measured at the terminating entry switch, but may be imputed from originating usage, excluding usage from calls to 800, 900 or Directory Assistance Services. Actual measured usage will be used where available rather than an imputed value.

For terminating calls over FGC or CST BSA - Option 2 to 800 Service, usage measurement begins when the terminating FGC or CST BSA - Option 2 entry switch receives answer supervision from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating 800 Service end user has answered.

The measurement of terminating call usage over FGC or CST BSA - Option 2 to 800 Service ends when the terminating FGC or CST BSA - Option 2 entry switch receives an on-hook supervisory signal from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating 800 Service end user has disconnected, or from the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

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For originating calls over FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 except for FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 provided from Minimum Divergence Access Service end offices and FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 with the SS7 signaling option, usage measurement begins when the originating FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 entry switch receives the first wink supervisory signal forwarded from the customer's point of termination.

For originating calls over FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 with the SS7 signaling option, usage measurement for direct trunks begins when the FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 entry switch sends an initial address message. Usage measurement for tandem trunks begins when the FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 entry switch receives an exit message.

For Minimum Divergence Access Service end offices not equipped with suitable measurement capabilities, usage measurement begins when the originating FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 entry switch receives answer supervision from the customer's point of termination, indicating that the called party has answered. If no answer supervision is received by the originating FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 entry switch, usage measurement begins when the originating FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 entry switch receives the first wink supervisory signal forwarded from the customer's point of termination.

The measurement of originating call usage over FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 ends when the originating FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 entry switch receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

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6.7.6 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

(D) Feature Group D/CST BSA - Option 3 Usage Measurement (Cont'd)

For terminating calls over FGD or CST BSA - Option 3, the measurement of access minutes begins when the terminating FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 entry switch receives answer supervision from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered.

The measurement of terminating call usage over FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 ends when the terminating FGD or CST BSA - Option 3 entry switch receives disconnect supervision from either the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

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Usage measurement for originating calls begins when the TRS Carrier's switch receives the first wink supervisory signal forwarded from the IC's point of interconnection. The call usage ends when the TRS Carrier's switch receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office or the IC's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the TRS Carrier's Switch.

When the call usage provided to the Telephone Company by the TRS Carrier for IC billing is based on answer supervision (rather than a wink supervisory signal) from the IC's switch, chargeable access minutes will be obtained by adding the recorded originating measured minutes to a non-conversation time additive (NCTA).

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.7 Network Blocking Charge for Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3

The customer will be notified by the Telephone Company to increase its capacity (busy hour minutes of capacity or quantities of trunks) when excessive trunk group blocking occurs on groups carrying Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3 traffic. Excessive trunk group blocking occurs when the blocking thresholds as described in 6.5.6 preceding are exceeded. If the order for sufficient additional capacity to handle the customer's traffic has not been received by the Telephone Company within 15 days of the notification, the Telephone Company will bill the customer, at the rate set forth in 31.6 following for each overflow in excess of the chargeable threshold.

<u>Chargeable Thresholds</u>	
<u>For Trunk Groups as Specified in 6.5.6(D)(1)</u>	
<u>Trunk Group Size</u>	<u>Allowable Overflows Per Trunk Per Month</u>
1-2	18
3-4	19
5-6	13
7-40	10
40-139	9
140-500	8
501 or greater	7

<u>For Trunk Groups as Specified in 6.5.6(D)(2)</u>	
<u>Trunk Group Size</u>	<u>Allowable Overflows Per Trunk Per Month</u>
1-4	10
5-6	8
7-125	6
126 or greater	5

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.8 Application of Rates for Extension Service

Feature Group A or CSL BSA Switched Access Service is available with extensions, i.e., additional terminations of the service at different building(s) in the same or a different LATA. Feature Group A or CSL BSA extensions in the same LATA (and same state) are charged for under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs. Feature Group A or CSL BSA extensions in different LATAs (or in a different state in the same LATA) are provided and charged for as Special Access Service for that portion of the service offered within the LATA. The rate elements which apply are: A Voice Grade Channel Termination, Channel Mileage, if applicable, and Signaling Capability, if applicable. All appropriate monthly rates and nonrecurring charges as set forth in 31.7 following will apply. Such extensions are ordered as set forth in 5.2 preceding.

6.7.9 Message Unit Credit

Calls from end users to the seven digit local telephone numbers associated with Feature Group A or CSL BSA Switched Access Service are subject to Telephone Company local and/or general exchange service tariff charges (including message unit and toll charges as applicable). The monthly bills rendered to customers for their Feature Group A or CSL BSA Switched Access Service will include a credit to reflect any message unit charges collected from their end users under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs. The credit will apply for recorded originating usage or for assumed originating usage, as appropriate, for the FGA or CSL BSA service provided. When the credit is applied on assumed usage, such credit will not exceed the assumed originating levels of usage set forth in 6.7.6 preceding. No credit will apply for any terminating FGA or CSL BSA access minutes. The message unit credit for originating FGA or CSL BSA access minutes is as set forth in 31.6 following.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.10 Local Information Delivery Services

Calls over Switched Access in the terminating direction to certain community information services will be rated under the applicable rates for Switched Access Service as set forth in 31.6 following.

6.7.11 Mileage Measurement

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The mileage to be used to determine the Direct Transport Channel Mileage monthly rate is calculated on the airline distance between the end office switch where the call carried by Local Transport originates or terminates and the customer's serving wire center (when Direct Trunked Transport is ordered to an end office) or between the customer's serving wire center and the access tandem (when Direct Trunked Transport is ordered to a tandem). The mileage to be used to determine the Local Transport Facility monthly rate is calculated on the airline distance between the access tandem and the end office switch where the call carried by local Transport originates or terminates. Exceptions are set forth in (A) through (J) following, 2.4.8 and 6.1.3(A) preceding. The V&H coordinates method is used to determine mileage. This method is set forth in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4 for Wire Center and Interconnection Information (V&H coordinates).

The Tandem Switched Local Transport Facility mileage rate is shown in 31.6 following in terms of per mile per access minute. To determine the rate to be billed, first compute the mileage using the V&H coordinates method. If the calculation results in a fraction of a mile, always round up to the next whole mile before determining the mileage. Then, multiply the mileage by the appropriate Local Transport Facility rate. The amount to be billed shall be the product of this calculation (i.e., the number of miles multiplied by the per mile rate) multiplied by the number of access minutes.

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Calls over Switched Access in the terminating direction to certain community information services will be rated under the applicable rates for Switched Access Service as set forth in 31.6 following.

6.7.11 Mileage Measurement

The Channel Termination for a DS3 Entrance Facility consists of a fixed and a per 1/4 mile rate. A minimum fixed and one per 1/4 mile rate always applies. The mileage used to determine the monthly rate for distance sensitive Channel Terminations is the airline distance measured in increments of 1/4 mile (a fractional 1/4 mile increment being considered as a full 1/4 mile increment), directly between the customer's premises and the serving wire center. The mileage measurement is determined by utilizing exchange maps and mileage tables located in designated Telephone Company business offices for such purposes.

The mileage to be used to determine the Direct Transport Channel Mileage monthly rate is calculated on the airline distance between the end office switch where the call carried by Local Transport originates or terminates and the customer's serving wire center (when Direct Trunked Transport is ordered to an end office) or between the customer's serving wire center and the access tandem (when Direct Trunked Transport is ordered to a tandem). The mileage to be used to determine the Local Transport Facility monthly rate is calculated on the airline distance between the access tandem and the end office switch where the call carried by local Transport originates or terminates. Exceptions are set forth in (A) through (J) following, 2.4.8 and 6.1.3(A) preceding. The V&H coordinates method is used to determine mileage. This method is set forth in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4 for Wire Center and Interconnection Information (V&H coordinates).

The Tandem Switched Local Transport Facility mileage rate is shown in 31.6 following in terms of per mile per access minute. To determine the rate to be billed, first compute the mileage using the V&H coordinates method. If the calculation results in a fraction of a mile, always round up to the next whole mile before determining the mileage. Then, multiply the mileage by the appropriate Local Transport Facility rate. The amount to be billed shall be the product of this calculation (i.e., the number of miles multiplied by the per mile rate) multiplied by the number of access minutes.

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The Direct Trunked Transport Channel Mileage rates are shown in 31.6 following in terms of fixed and per mile per month. To determine the rate to be billed, first compute the mileage using the V&H coordinates method. If the calculation results in a fraction of a mile, always round up to the next mile before determining the mileage, then multiply the mileage by the appropriate Channel Mileage per mile rate. The amount to be billed shall be the product of this calculation plus the appropriate fixed Channel Mileage rate.

When Hubs are involved, mileage is computed and rates applied separately for each section of the Channel Mileage, i.e., serving wire center of customer premises to a Hub, Hub to end office and/or Hub to Hub.

Mileage also applies between IDSR nodes, subject to the regulations set forth in 6.2.13(A)(1) preceding. (N)

When IDSR as set forth in 6.2.13 or SONET Service as set forth in Section 26. following is involved, mileage is computed and rates applied from the wire center at which the STS1, DS3 or DS1 Direct Trunked Transport channel is added to, or dropped from, the IDSR or SONET Service to the end office or access tandem involved. (C)

Mileage measurement for CCSA STP Link Channel Mileage will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method, between the serving wire center of the customer's SPOI and the Telephone Company's STP.

Exceptions to the mileage measurement rules are as follows:

- (A) Channel Mileage for access minutes provided over Feature Group A or CSL BSA Switched Access Service, including access minutes which originate to/from a WATS Access Line Service, will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method, between the end office switch where the Feature Group A or CSL BSA switching dial tone is provided and the customer's serving wire center for the Switched Access Service provided.

Local Transport Facility mileage for access minutes provided over Feature Group A or CSL BSA Switched Access service, including access minutes which originate to/from a WATS Access Line Service, will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method, between the end office switch where the Feature Group A or CSL BSA switching dial tone is provided and the end office which serves the called/calling party for calls which terminate within the LATA. Local Transport Facility will not be applicable for such access minutes which originate/terminate outside the originating LATA.

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- (B) When the Alternative Traffic Routing optional feature is provided with feature Groups B, C, or D or the Alternative Routing - Multiple Customer Premises Routing BSE is provided with CST BSA - Option 1, 2 or 3 to provide service from an end office to different customer premises locations or different multiplexing node locations, Local Transport access minutes will be apportioned between the two transmission routes used to provide this feature. For Feature Groups B, C and CST BSA - Option 1 and 2 and for FGD or BSA - Option 3 which is routed via an access tandem, such apportionment will be made using standard Telephone Company traffic engineering methodology, as set forth in Special Report SR-EOP-000191, Issue No. 1, Trunk Traffic Engineering Concepts and Applications, and will be based on the last trunk CCS desired for the high usage group, as described in 6.3.1(N) preceding, and the relative capacity ordered to the end office, when the feature is provided at an end office switch, or to the subtending end offices when the feature is provided at an access tandem switch. For Feature Group D or CST BSA - Option 3 which is directly routed, the apportionment will be based on the actual measured data which is recorded against the specific trunk group that carried a particular call. This apportionment will serve as the basis for the Local Transport Facility mileage or Channel Mileage calculation. The customer will be billed based on this apportionment.
- (C) When terminating Feature Group B, C or CST BSA - Option 1 or 2 Switched Access Service is provided from multiple customer premises or from multiple multiplexing node locations to an end office not equipped with measurement capabilities, the total Local Transport access minutes for that end office will be apportioned among the trunk groups accessing the end office on the basis of the individual capacity, i.e., trunks or busy hour minutes, ordered for each of those trunk groups. This apportionment will serve as the basis for Local Transport Facility mileage or Channel Mileage calculation. The customer will be billed based on this apportionment.

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(E) Except as set forth in (A) preceding, Channel Mileage associated with Direct Trunked Transport facilities for WATS Access Line Service will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method, between the WATS Serving Office at which the WATS Access Line Service terminates and the customer's serving wire center for the Switched Access Service provided.

Except as set forth in (A) preceding, Local Transport Facility mileage for access minutes which originate from or terminate to a WATS Access Line Service will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method, between the WATS Serving Office at which the WATS Access Line Service terminates and the access tandem.

(F) When Direct Trunked Transport is provided to a host office, in addition to the channel mileage for Direct Trunked Transport which is calculated on an airline basis per mile between the serving wire center or the wire center with SONET multiplexing capability and the host office, Host/Remote Transport Facility mileage for access minutes originating from or terminating at a remote switching system or module (RSS or RSM) will be calculated on an airline basis between the host office and the NXX location (i.e., remote office) as shown in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4. (C)

When common transport is provided to a host office, in addition to the Local Transport Facility mileage which is calculated on an airline basis per mile between the access tandem and the host office, Host/Remote Transport Facility mileage for access minutes originating from or terminating at a remote switching system or module (RSS or RSM) will be calculated on an airline basis between the host office and the NXX location (i.e., remote office) as shown in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

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- (G) Channel Mileage associated with Direct Trunked Transport facilities provided to RTU Interconnections will be calculated on an airline basis between the serving wire center of the customer's Switched Access Service and the serving wire center of the RTU Carrier.

Local Transport Facility mileage for access minutes which originate from or terminate to RTU Interconnections will be calculated on an airline basis between the access tandem of the customer's Switched Access Service and the serving wire center of the RTU Carrier.

- (H) When Direct Trunked Transport is ordered to an access tandem, the Channel Mileage measurement will be calculated on an airline basis using the V&H coordinates method, between the serving wire center of the customer premises or the wire center with SONET multiplexing capability and the access tandem. In addition, the Local Transport Facility mileage for the Common Transport switched at the tandem will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method, from the access tandem to the end office. (C)
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- (I) Channel Mileage associated with Direct Trunked Transport facilities which originate at TRS Interconnections will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H Coordinates method, between the serving wire center of the TRS Carrier and the access tandem.

Local Transport Facility mileage for access minutes of traffic which originates from TRS Interconnections will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method, between the access tandem and the serving wire center of the Interexchange Carrier.

- (J) Channel Mileage associated with Direct Trunked Transport facilities which are provided for Prepaid Calling Service Access will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method, between either the Prepaid Calling Service Access wire center or access tandem and the customer's serving wire center.

Local Transport Facility mileage for access minutes in the originating direction when Prepaid Calling Service Access is provided will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method, between the Prepaid Calling Service Access wire center and the access tandem of the customer's Switched Access Service.

6.7.12 Shared Use Switched Access Facility

Shared use occurs when Switched Access Service and/or CCSA and Special Access Service are provided over the same facility through a common interface. The regulations governing Shared Use Arrangements are set forth in Section 5.2.7 preceding.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.13 Reserved for Future Use6.7.14 Shared Billing Arrangement

A Shared Billing Arrangement allows for the connection of one or more Service Users' Switched Access, Common Channel Signaling Access Services or Special Access to a Host Customer's multiplexed DS1 or DS3 Switched Access facility in the serving wire center of the customer designated premises or in designated Hubs capable of multiplexing DS1, DS3 or STS1 Switched Access Services, with the Telephone Company maintaining separate records and billing for each. The Telephone Company will split the billing after the multiplexer for each service connected to the DS1 or DS3 Switched Access Service multiplexer.

A Shared Billing Arrangement also allows for the connection of one or more Service Users' DS1, DS3 or STS1 Switched Access services, Common Channel Signaling Access Services or Special Access Services to a Host Customer's IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring (IDSR)* at wire centers with IDSR SONET multiplexing capability, with the Telephone Company maintaining separate records and billing for each. For each service connected to IDSR, the Telephone Company will split the billing at the CO Node (i.e., SONET multiplexer) with any associated central office extension and, when applicable, associated premises port being the responsibility of the Service User. (C)

Each customer will be billed for those rate elements associated with its own portion of the service configuration. Under no circumstances will the rates or charges for individual rate elements be split. This arrangement is only available when (1) a DS3 Switched Access Service is multiplexed to DS1 Switched Access Services; (2) a DS1 Switched Access Service is multiplexed to Voice Grade service; (3) a Switched Access DS1, DS3 or STS1 Service is derived from an IDSR as set forth in 6.2.13 preceding, 7.2.17 following or Section 26. following; or (4) a Special Access Service is provided over a High Capacity or SONET Switched Access facility under the regulations set forth in Section 5.2.7 preceding. (C) (C)

* Shared billing arrangements apply to IDSR as set forth in Section 26.1 following, but are not required on IDSR as set forth in Sections 6.2.13 or 7.2.17 for Switched Access or Special Access IDSR, respectively. (N) (N) (N)

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.14 Shared Billing Arrangement (Cont'd)

Each customer may order its individual portion of the multiplexed service separately from the Telephone Company. However, the ordering customer must obtain and provide a copy of a signed letter(s) of authorization, as described in 5.2 preceding, to the Telephone Company when placing an order for a Shared Billing Arrangement. The letter of authorization must be signed by both the Host Customer and the Service User and include the Channel Facility Assignment and Billing Account Number of the Host Customer's service.

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Each customer will be billed the applicable tariff rates and charges set forth in Section 31. following for its individual service(s). The rates and charges for Multiplexing (central office multiplexing optional feature or IDSR CO Node, as applicable) will be the responsibility of the Host Customer.

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Each customer shall be responsible for reporting service outages for its portion of the multiplexed service. Out of service adjustments will be handled in accordance with Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions as set forth in Section 2.4.4 preceding. The Maintenance of Service charge applies, as set forth in Section 13.3.1 following, to the customer whose service is reported in trouble.

Under a Shared Billing Arrangement, the Telephone Company may share with the Host Customer record information pertaining to the multiplexed service(s) of the Service User(s). Such disclosure will be at the sole discretion of the Telephone Company as necessary to perform billing reconciliations or other functions required in connection with maintaining separate account records.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.14 Shared Billing Arrangement (Cont'd)

Each Host Customer and Service User entering into a Shared Billing Arrangement is solely responsible to the Telephone Company for charges associated with that customer's portion of the shared multiplexed service. Disconnection of service by the Host Customer does not relieve the Service User of the shared multiplexed service of any obligation to pay access charges associated with the portion of the shared multiplexed service to which that Service User subscribes. Billing for services and facilities will continue until a disconnect request from the Host Customer or Service User has been received by the Telephone Company. The Host Customer of a Shared Billing Arrangement is solely responsible for notifying the connecting Service User(s) participating in the Shared Billing Arrangement in the event of disconnection of the Host Customer's service.

For administrative purposes, one "Arrangement" under the Shared Billing Arrangement option shall be limited to one Host Customer permitting one Service User to connect to a specified number of services to one specified multiplexer on the Host Customer's service. A subsequent request by the Service User to increase the number of services connected to the same multiplexer shall not constitute a new or separate "Arrangement."

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.7.14 Shared Billing Arrangement (Cont'd)

A Shared Billing Arrangement shall be established between a Host Customer and a Service User upon the completion of the service order for the first service(s) in the Arrangement. A Shared Billing Arrangement shall be deemed cancelled when the last service in the Arrangement belonging to the Service User has been disconnected.

A Processing Charge will apply for each Service User order processed for a Shared Billing Arrangement. The Switched Access Service Shared Billing Arrangement Processing Charge is contained in Section 31.6.7 following.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.15 Facility Hubs

A customer has the option of ordering DS1 or DS3 facilities to a facility Hub for channelizing to individual services requiring lower capacity facilities.

All transport provided to or from an Intermediate or Super-Intermediate Hub that is not the serving wire center of the customer designated premises or multiplexing node will be provided as Direct Trunked Transport.

Different locations may be designated as Hubs for different facility capacities, e.g., multiplexing from digital to digital occur at one location while multiplexing from digital to analog may occur at a different location. Locations (wire centers) that provide multiplexing of DS1 or DS3 Services have been designated as Intermediate Hubs or Terminus Hubs (described in 2.6 preceding). When ordering, the customer will specify the desired multiplexing Hub(s) selected from the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4 which identifies the type(s) of multiplexing functions which are available, the wire centers at which they are available and the wire centers that subtend DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Grade multiplexing Hubs.

End to end services may be provided on channels of these facilities to a Hub. The transmission performance for the end to end service provided between the customer and the selected end office(s) or tandem(s) will be that of the lower capacity. For example, when a DS1 facility is multiplexed to Voice Grade channels, the transmission performance of the channelized services will be Voice Grade, not DS1.

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The Telephone Company will commence billing the monthly rate for the facility to the Hub on the date specified by the customer on the service order. Individual services utilizing these facilities must be installed at a later date. The customer will be billed for a DS1 or DS3 Channel Termination, Channel Mileage (when applicable), and the multiplexer at the time the facility is installed. Individual service rates (by service type) will apply for Channel Mileage for each channelized service. These will be billed to the customer as each individual service is installed.

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Cascading multiplexing occurs when a DS1 or DS3 facility is de-multiplexed to provide channels with a lesser capacity and one of the lesser capacity channels is further de-multiplexed. For example, a DS3 facility is de-multiplexed to twenty-eight DS1 channels and then one of the DS1 channels is further de-multiplexed to twenty-four Voice Grade channels.

When cascading multiplexing is performed, whether in the same or a different Hub, a charge for the additional multiplexing unit also applies. When cascading multiplexing is performed at different Hubbing locations, Channel Mileage rates and Mid-link nonrecurring charges also apply between the Hubs.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.16 Service Discount Plans(A) General

Service Discount Plans are available to the following Switched Access Local Transport rate categories and to certain SONET Services in the states where Expanded Interconnection has become operational and either:

- a total within the state of 100 DS1 equivalent Entrance Facility Office Channel Terminations have been provided in the Zone 1 serving wire centers, access tandems or remote nodes in that state or;
- an average of 25 DS1 equivalent Entrance Facility Office Channel Terminations have been provided per Zone 1 serving wire center, access tandem or remote node in that state:

DS3 Entrance Facility
 DS1 Entrance Facility
 Direct Trunked Transport
 DS3 to DS1 Multiplexing
 DS1 to Voice Multiplexing*
 Tandem Switched Transport
 - Local Transport Termination
 - Local Transport Facility
 IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring#
 - SONET Distribution Channels
 - Channel Mileage
 - Premises Nodes and CO Nodes
 - Premises Ports
 - Central Office Extensions

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Based on the above requirements, Service Discount Plans for Switched Access Local Transport rate categories are only available in the States of New York and Massachusetts. Service Discount Plan regulations for Switched Access Service DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing Local Transport rate

* New York Telephone only

IDSR as set forth in Section 26.1.1 following is no longer available for new installations as of June 16, 2000. See footnote on Page 26-1 for additional regulations.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.16 Service Discount Plans (Cont'd)(A) General (Cont'd)

categories and IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring rate categories are specified in (B) following. Service Discount Plans for DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 Multiplexing are provided with Base Rates as set forth in (B)(7) following. Service Discount Plan regulations for Switched Access Service Tandem Switched Transport Local Transport rate categories are specified in (C) following. (M)

(B) Service Discount Plan for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing (M)
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(1) General (T)

A customer with one or more services has the option of requesting, at any time, a Service Discount Plan for some or all services of the same type and speed. When a customer requests a Service Discount Plan for a Switched Access Service provided under a Shared Use Arrangement, the equivalent Special Access Service Discount Plan, as specified in Section 7.4.10 following, will apply to the Special Access Channels provided over the Shared Use facility. The services must be provided within the same Telephone Company operating territory. (M)
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When a Host Customer with an existing multiplexed DS1, DS3 or STS1 Entrance Facility or IDSR Service requests a Shared Billing Arrangement, as set forth in Section 6.7.14, and a Service Discount Plan is currently in effect on the portion of the multiplexed or IDSR service* that will be billed to a Service User, the Service User will have the option of (1) continuing the existing discount plan and terms and conditions in effect as set forth in Section 6.7.16(C)(1) following or, (2) requesting a new Service Discount Plan for a commitment period equal to or longer than the original commitment period at the then effective discount percentage. If the Service User does not agree to (1) or (2) preceding, the existing customer will be responsible for payment of any termination liability associated with the portion of the service that will be billed to the Service User prior to the establishment of a Shared Billing Arrangement. (C)

* Service Discount Plans are provided for IDSR as set forth in Section 26. following.

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When the customer has elected a Commitment Discount Plan as set forth in Section 25. following. a Service Discount Plan will not be established for any service level which is included in a Commitment Discount Plan. A Service Discount Plan may be established for service levels which are not included in the Commitment Discount Plan subject to the regulations specified in Section 25.1.2 following.

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- (B) Service Discount Plan for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing (Cont'd)

(1) General (Cont'd)

When requesting a Service Discount Plan, the customer must specify which services are to be included in the Service Discount Plan. When requesting any activity set forth in (3)(b) through (e) following, the customer must specify by circuit identification which service are affected.

(2) Description

A Service Discount Plan applies to Switched Access Service DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facility Standard Channel Terminations, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport Channel Mileage, and Local Transport DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice multiplexing Optional Features monthly rates as set forth in Section 31.6 following and to IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring as set forth in Section 31.26 following. (C)

The monthly rates for such services are reduced by a fixed percentage. (C)

The amount of the discount percentage differs based on the length of the commitment period selected by the customer and the type of service. The customer must specify the number of months selected as the commitment period for its Service Discount Plan.

The discount percentage is applied to the currently effective monthly rates. Such rates may change during the commitment period, thereby causing an increase or decrease in the rates applicable to the customer.

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- (B) Service Discount Plan for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing (Cont'd)

(2) Description (Cont'd)

In the event that the Telephone Company initiates a rate increase and the total discounted monthly rate for the affected service increases by eight percent (8%) or more, the customer may cancel its service discount plan for the affected service without termination liability as set forth in (C) following. The customer must exercise its option to cancel the service discount plan for the affected service within thirty (30) days of the date of the effective rate increase.

The discount percentage will not be subject to Telephone Company initiated decreases during that period. However, if the Telephone Company initiates an increase in the discount percentage during that period, that increased discount will be used to determine the rates applicable to the customer.

IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring for Switched Access Services as set forth in Section 26.1.1 is provided with rate stability in the same manner as it is for Special Access Services as described for Section 7.4.10 following. (C)

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(a) Service Commitment Periods and Discount Percentages Applicable to Local Transport monthly rates:

(i) DS1 Level Services in New York

- DS1 Entrance Facility Channel Terminations, Direct Trunked Transport Channel Mileage and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing Optional Feature

24 months - 35 months	10%
36 months - 47 months	20%
48 months - 59 months	25%
60 months - 71 months	30%
84 months - 95 months	35%

(ii) DS3 Level Services in New York

- DS3 Entrance Facility - Optical Fiber Interface Channel Terminations, Direct Trunked Transport Channel Mileage and DS3 to DS1 Multiplexing Optional Feature

24 months - 35 months	5%#	(Z)
36 months - 47 months	10%#	(C)
48 months - 59 months	25%#	(C)
60 months - 71 months	35%#	(C)
84 months - 95 months	40%#	(C)
120 months - 131 months	40%#	(C)

Service provided with Base Rates. The percentage discount is applied to the base rate set forth in Section 31.6 following.

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(a) (Cont'd)

(ii) DS3 Level Services in New York (Cont'd)

- DS3 Entrance Facility - Electrical Interface Channel Terminations, Direct Trunked Transport Channel Mileage and DS3 to DS1 Multiplexing Optional Feature

24 months - 35 months	5%#
36 months - 47 months	10%#
48 months - 59 months	25%#
60 months - 71 months	35%#
84 months - 95 months	40%#
120 months - 131 months	40%#

(iii) IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring in New York*

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- SONET Distribution Channels, Channel Mileage, Premises Nodes, CO Nodes, Central Office Extensions and Premises Ports

36 months - 47 months	10%
48 months - 59 months	25%
60 months - 71 months	35%
84 months - 95 months	40%

Service provided with Base Rates. The percentage discount is applied to the base rate set forth in Section 31.6 following.

* Service availability limited. See footnote on Page 26-1.

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(b) Service Commitment Periods and Discount Percentage Applicable to Local Transport monthly rates:

(i) DS1 Level Services in Massachusetts

- DS1 Entrance Facility Channel Terminations and Direct Trunked Transport Channel Mileage

24 months - 35 months	10%
36 months - 47 months	20%
48 months - 59 months	25%
60 months - 71 months	30%
84 months - 95 months	35%

(ii) DS3 Level Services in Massachusetts

- DS3 Entrance Facility - Optical Fiber Interface Channel Terminations and Direct Trunked Transport Channel Mileage

24 months - 35 months	5%#	(C)
36 months - 47 months	10%#	(C)
48 months - 59 months	25%#	(C)
60 months - 71 months	35%#	(C)
84 months - 95 months	40%#	(C)
120 months - 131 months	40%#	(C)

- DS3 to DS1 Multiplexer

24 months - 35 months	5%#	(C)
36 months - 47 months	10%#	(C)
48 months - 59 months	25%#	(C)
60 months - 71 months	35%#	(C)
84 months - 95 months	40%#	(C)
120 months - 131 months	40%#	(C)

Service provided with Base Rates. The percentage discount is applied to the base rate set forth in Section 31.6 following.

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(b) (Cont'd)

(ii) DS3 Level Services in Massachusetts (Cont'd)

- DS3 Entrance Facility - Electrical Interface Channel Terminations and Direct Trunked Transport Channel Mileage

24 months - 35 months	5%#
36 months - 47 months	10%#
48 months - 59 months	25%#
60 months - 71 months	35%#
84 months - 95 months	40%#

- DS3 to DS1 Multiplexer

24 months - 35 months	5%#
36 months - 47 months	10%#
48 months - 59 months	25%#
60 months - 71 months	35%#
84 months - 95 months	40%#

(iii) IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring in Massachusetts* (C)

- SONET Distribution Channels, Channel Mileage, Premises Nodes, CO Nodes, Central Office Extensions and Premises Ports

36 months - 47 months	10%
48 months - 59 months	25%
60 months - 71 months	35%
84 months - 95 months	40%

Service provided with Base Rates. The percentage discount is applied to the base rate set forth in Section 31.6 following.

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A termination liability applies during the selected commitment period. Except as set forth in (b) through (e) following, if service is disconnected in full or in part prior to the end of the selected commitment period, the customer is liable for a termination liability charge. In addition, should a customer, prior to the end of the selected commitment period, request that some or all channels of a DS1 or DS3 Entrance Facility be used for Special Access Service the terms and conditions specified in 7.4.10 following for the equivalent Special Access discount plan will apply to such channels for the balance of the selected commitment period. Further, except as provided in (4) and (5) following, when a customer cancels a Service Discount Plan prior to the end of the selected commitment period, the customer is liable for a termination liability charge.

Termination liability for IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring (IDSR) as set forth in Section 26. following arranged as Switched Access Service applies in the same manner as Service Discount Plan termination liability for IDSR arranged as Special Access Service which is set forth in Section 7.4.10 following.

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Termination liability does not apply when IDSR as set forth in Section 26.1 following is converted to an equal or higher speed IDSR under a term plan as set forth in Section 6.2.13 preceding. Time-in-service credit will be granted on the new IDSR term plan based on the number of months that service was under the Service Discount Plan. For example, conversion of IDSR under a 60 month term plan that was in service for 32 months will allow for 32 months of time-in-service credit towards the IDSR term plan under Section 6.2.13.

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The termination liability charge applies to each Local Transport rate element disconnected or, in the case of cancellation of a Service Discount Plan, to each Local Transport rate element which had been included in the cancelled Service Discount Plan.

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The termination liability charge is calculated for the applicable DS1 or DS3 Entrance Facility Channel Termination monthly rates, DS1 or DS3 Direct Trunked Transport Channel Mileage monthly rates and Multiplexing Optional Feature monthly rates as set forth following:

- For disconnects on or prior to the end of the minimum period and prior to the end of the selected commitment period, the termination liability charge will be the difference between the full monthly rates and the discounted monthly rates for the period the service has been in effect.

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(B) Service Discount Plan for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing (Cont'd)

(3) Termination Liability (Cont'd)(a) General (Cont'd)

- For disconnects after the end of the minimum period but prior to the end of the selected commitment period and for cancellations of the Service Discount Plan prior to the end of the selected commitment period the following applies:
- Where there is no Service Discount Plan commitment period less than the actual time the services have been in effect, the termination liability charge will be the difference between the full monthly rates and the discounted monthly rates for the period the service has been in effect.
- Where there is a Service Discount Plan commitment period less than the actual time the services have been in effect, the termination liability charge will be the difference between the monthly rates for the highest Service Discount Plan commitment period that could have been satisfied prior to disconnection of the service or cancellation of the plan and the monthly rates for the selected commitment period multiplied by the actual number of months the service has been in effect. For example, if a customer has a 45 month commitment period and disconnects a DS1 Entrance Facility with Direct Trunked Transport Service after forty months and 5 days, the highest Service Discount Plan commitment period that could have been satisfied is forty months. To determine the termination liability charge, the monthly rate for the 45 month plan is subtracted from the monthly rate for the 40 month plan and the difference is multiplied by the forty months that the service has been in effect. If the monthly rate for the 45 month plan and the monthly rate for the 40 month plan are the same rate, the termination liability charge is zero

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- (B) Service Discount Plan for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing (Cont'd)

(3) Termination Liability (Cont'd)

(a) General (Cont'd)

The monthly rates used to calculate termination liability charges are subject to the reductions, as set forth in 5.2.7 preceding when Special Access Services are provided on a Shared Use Switched Access facility.

Termination liability for DS3 Entrance Facilities channel terminations that are rated in bands is calculated based upon the rate band determined by the last count taken.

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The termination liability charge applies in addition to applicable minimum period charges.

(b) Upgrades

Upgrades include the following types of customer requests:

- A request to disconnect some or all of its discounted digital services in order to replace them with Telephone Company provided digital Switched Access Services with a bit rate higher than that of services being disconnected.

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- (B) Service Discount Plan for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing (Cont'd)

- (3) Termination Liability (Cont'd)

- (c) Cancellations

In the event that the Telephone Company initiates a rate increase and the total discounted monthly rate for the affected service increases by eight percent (8%) or more, the customer may cancel its service discount plan for the affected service without termination liability as set forth in (C) following. The customer must exercise its option to cancel the service discount plan for the affected service within thirty (30) days of the date of the effective rate increase.

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A customer may cancel a Service Discount Plan for a service in order to replace it with a SONET Service provided under a term plan as set forth in Section 26. following, provided that the total dollar amount of the term plan for the SONET Service is equal to, or greater than, the total dollar amount remaining in the plan for the service being disconnected. No termination liability charge will apply to such cancellation.

- (d) Moves

When a customer requests that some or all of its DS1 or DS3 Entrance Facilities under a Service Discount Plan be moved to a different building, no termination liability charge applies provided the services remain within the same Telephone Company operating territory.

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(B) Service Discount Plan for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing (Cont'd)

(3) Termination Liability (Cont'd)

(e) Replacements

(i) When a customer with existing services under a Service Discount Plan wishes to replace one or more of the service(s) included in that Service Discount Plan with other new or existing service(s) of the same speed or type, as appropriate, for the balance of the commitment period for that Service Discount Plan, no termination liability charge will apply provided that:

- The orders to accomplish the replacement are (1) placed with the Telephone Company within sixty (60) days of each other and (2) the replacing services are provided within the same Telephone Company operating territory as the services that are replaced in the Service Discount Plan, and
- The number of services included in the Service Discount Plan remains the same. The replacing services may or may not be equipped with the same multiplexing Optional Feature. When the replacing service is not equipped with the multiplexing Optional Feature, the appropriate termination liability charge will apply to the Optional Feature no longer provided.

(ii) When a customer with existing DS3 to DS1 or DS1 to Voice multiplexers under a Service Discount Plan wishes to replace one or more of the multiplexers included in that Service Discount Plan with other new or existing multiplexer(s) of the same type for the balance of the commitment period for that Service Discount Plan, no termination liability charge will apply provided that:

- the orders to accomplish the replacement are (1) placed with the Telephone Company within sixty (60) days of each other and (2) the replacing multiplexer is provided in the same Telephone Company operating territory as the multiplexer being replaced in the Service Discount Plan, and
- the number of multiplexers included in the Service Discount Plan remains the same

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- (B) Service Discount Plan for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing (Cont'd)

(4) Additions of Service

- (a) Except as set forth in (b) following, when a customer with an existing Service Discount Plan wishes to increase the number of services, it has the following options: (C)

- Subscribe to the additional services under non-discounted rates.
- Subscribe to the additional services under a separate Service Discount Plan at the then effective discount percentage rates and charges.
- Cancel the existing Service Discount Plan and include both existing and the additional services under a new Service Discount Plan for a commitment period equal to or longer than the original period. No termination charges apply to such cancellation.

- (b) For additions of service to an existing IDSR service under Section 26.1 following, the new services will be added for the remainder of the commitment period with the same discount percentage as the other services under the plan. At the end of the commitment period, the customer must convert, or disconnect, the existing service and any additional services in accordance with the footnote specified on Page 26-1 following. (N)

(5) Extension of a Commitment Period

- (a) For all services, a customer may, at any time prior to the expiration of the selected commitment period for an existing Service Discount Plan, change to a Service Discount Plan with a longer commitment period at the then effective discount percentage. No termination liability charges will apply for any service extended under the longer commitment period. The monthly rates applicable for the longer commitment period will apply effective with the next bill day following the request for the change.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)6.7.16 Service Discount Plans (Cont'd)

(B) Service Discount Plan for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing (Cont'd)

(5) Extension of a Commitment Period (Cont'd)

(b) For IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring (IDSR), the customer also has the option, within sixty (60) days prior to the expiration date for its commitment period, to extend its expiring Service Discount Plan to a plan with longer commitment period, for which time-in-service credit will be allowed for the expiring plan. The commitment period selected for the extended plan must be longer than the commitment period of the expiring plan as follows:

- An expiring 36 to 47 months plan may be extended to either a 48 to 59 months plan, a 60 to 71 months plan or an 84 to 95 months plan; or
- an expiring 48 to 59 months plan may be extended to either a 60 to 71 months plan or an 84 to 95 months plan; or
- an expiring 60 to 71 months plan may be extended to an 84 to 95 months plan.

Time-in-service credit on the expiring plan will be granted and applied towards the new extended plan. For example, an expiring 48 months plan will allow for 48 months of time-in-service credit towards the extended plan.

The discount percentage associated with the extended plan will apply effective with the first bill day following expiration of the commitment period for the existing plan and continue through the remainder of the commitment period associated with the extended plan. No adjustment for the increased discount percentage associated with the extended plan will be made to the monthly rates already billed on the expiring plan.

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- (B) Service Discount Plan for DS1 and DS3 Entrance Facilities, DS1 and DS3 Direct Trunked Transport and DS3 to DS1 and DS1 to Voice Multiplexing (Cont'd)

(6) Rate Regulations

Where the Service Discount Plan is requested to be provided coincident with the connection of new service, it will be effective with the establishment of service.

Where the Service Discount Plan is requested to be provided on existing service, the plan will be effective on the date the Telephone Company receives the Access Order requesting the discount.

At the end of its selected commitment period, the customer will have the option of subscribing to any then effective Service Discount Plan. If the customer does not notify the Telephone Company of its choice prior to the expiration of the commitment period, the customer's current Service Discount Plan will be renewed upon expiration of the selected period. The renewed plan will have a commitment period equal to that originally selected by the customer and the plan will be considered new.

If the customer notifies the Telephone Company of its choice within the first sixty days of the date of renewal, the customer may cancel the renewed plan and subscribe to any then effective Service Discount Plan or continue with the renewed plan. If, within the first sixty days of the date of renewal, the customer elects to cancel the renewed plan and subscribe to the service on a month-to-month basis or subscribe to a then effective Service Discount Plan, termination liability will not apply.

(7) Base Rates

For services provided with Base Rates (without rate stability), the discount percentage is applied to the Base Rates specified in Section 31.6 following. Such rates are not rate stable and may change during the commitment period, causing an increase or decrease in the rates applicable to the customer. In no case will the Base Rate exceed the non-discounted monthly rate for the service.

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Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility Rate Elements*(1) General

The Tandem Switched Transport Discount Plan provides a customer with a discounted Tandem Switched Transport Local Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility rate when a customer enters an agreement to commit a designated number of its Tandem Switched Transport minutes of use generated by all of its Switched Access Services within a specified state or LATA for a specified period of time

(2) Description

When a customer requests a service discount plan for its Tandem Switched Transport usage, the customer must specify to the Telephone Company a usage commitment and a commitment period. The usage commitment will be the annual Tandem Switched Transport minutes of use, within a specified state or LATA, that the customer wishes to include in the discount plan. The commitment period will be the length of the discount plan as specified in (3) following.

Once the customer has selected a usage commitment and commitment period, the Tandem Switched Transport minutes accumulated within the specified state or LATA will be discounted on a monthly basis, at the applicable discount rates, until the usage commitment has been satisfied for the first twelve months of the commitment period. Once the usage commitment has been satisfied, additional Tandem Switched Transport usage accumulated within the specified state or LATA in subsequent months following the month in which the usage commitment is met will be billed at non-discounted rates for the balance of the first twelve months of the plan. Tandem Switched Transport usage will begin to be discounted again at the

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Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility Rate Elements*
(Cont'd)(2) Description (Cont'd)

start of the next consecutive twelve months of the commitment period until the usage commitment has again been satisfied, at which time non-discounted rates will begin to be applied to the balance of the Tandem Switched Transport usage. This process will continue for the balance of the customer's commitment period.

During the commitment period the Tandem Switched Transport usage shall be reviewed in consecutive twelve month intervals beginning with the first twelve months of the commitment period. If the customer fails to meet its usage commitment in any consecutive 12 months of its commitment period, the customer's Tandem Switched Transport usage for that twelve (12) month period will be recalculated and billed at non-discounted rates.

Customers subscribing to a Tandem Switched Transport discount plan will have a single discount plan established exclusively for the Local Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility rate elements associated with its Switched Access Service within the designated LATA or state. All minutes of use derived from future installations of Tandem Switched Transport Switched Access Service in the specified state or LATA will be included in the discount plan and applied towards the usage commitment.

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Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility Rate Elements*
(Cont'd)(3) Tandem Switched Transport Commitment Periods And Discounted Rates

<u>Commitment Period</u>	<u>Discount Rates - (All Zones)</u>	
	<u>Local Transport Termination (per MOU)</u>	<u>Local Transport Facility (per mile, per MOU)</u>
24 Months	\$ 0.000143	\$ 0.0000285
36 Months	0.000131	0.0000263
48 Months	0.000120	0.0000240
60 Months	0.000109	0.0000217
84 Months	0.000098	0.0000195

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Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility Rate Elements*
(Cont'd)(4) Adjustments to Tandem Switched Transport Usage Commitments

When Switched Access Services utilizing Tandem Switched Transport are rearranged to Switched Access Services utilizing Telephone Company provided Direct Trunked Transport, the customer can reduce its Tandem Switched Transport usage commitment, if necessary, by the number of minutes of use generated by the rearranged trunks. In this case, the number of minutes of use associated with the rearrangement will not be subject to liability charges.

In the event that the Telephone Company's end users decide to subscribe to a competitive local exchange carrier during the commitment period and that a customer which has subscribed to a Tandem Switched Transport Service Discount Plan cannot reasonably physically continue to obtain originating and/or terminating access to those end users via the Telephone Company's Tandem Switched Transport, the customer can reduce its Tandem Switched Transport usage commitment by the number of minutes generated by those end users to the customer. No liability charges will be applied to these reduced minutes. The customer will be responsible for providing the reduced minutes of use to the Telephone Company. In addition, the customer will be responsible for maintaining documentation substantiating the development of such adjustment which must be provided to the Telephone Company upon request.

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Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility Rate Elements*
(Cont'd)(5) Additions

Service may be added to the discount plan at any time during the commitment period without affecting the expiration date of the discount plan commitment period. The Tandem Switched Transport usage generated by the additional service will be applied towards the existing Tandem Switched Transport discount plan usage commitment. The discounted rates will be applied to the Local Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility minutes of use generated by the additional service until the usage commitment for the discount plan has been satisfied.

(6) Service Changes, Moves and Rearrangements

Individual services may be changed, moved or rearranged during the commitment period, however, if such change, move or rearrangement causes the total Tandem Switched Transport usage to fall below the usage commitment in effect in any consecutive twelve (12) months of the commitment period non-discounted rates will apply.

(7) Disconnection of Service and Cancellation of the Discount Plan

Individual Services may be disconnected during the commitment period, however, if such disconnection causes the total Tandem Switched Transport usage to fall below the usage commitment in effect in any consecutive twelve (12) months of the commitment period non-discounted rates will apply.

Service may be disconnected in total or the discount plan may be cancelled in its entirety during the commitment period subject to termination liability as set forth in (8) following.

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6.7.16 Service Discount Plans (Cont'd)

(C) Service Discount Plan for Tandem Switched Transport Local
Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility Rate Elements*
(Cont'd)

(8) Termination Liability

In the event that all of the customer's Switched Access Services in the state or LATA are disconnected or the entire discount plan is cancelled prior to the expiration of the commitment period, termination liability shall be calculated as set forth following.

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Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility Rate Elements*
(Cont'd)(8) Termination Liability (Cont'd)

Termination Liability shall apply to each rate element within the state or LATA which is discounted under the discount plan as the difference between the discounted rates which were assessed during the portion of the commitment period already expired and the rates which would have been assessed utilizing the highest discount plan commitment period that could have been satisfied prior to the disconnection or cancellation (if a lesser service commitment period could have been satisfied) or recalculated at non-discounted rates (if no lesser service commitment period could have been satisfied).

In the event that non-discounted rates had been applied to any of the usage accumulated during any consecutive twelve month period prior to the disconnect or cancellation of the discount plan, termination liability will not apply to that usage.

The discount plan commitment periods and discounted rates are set forth in (C)(3) preceding.

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Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility Rate Elements*
(Cont'd)(9) Extension of Commitment Period

A customer may, at any time prior to the expiration of the selected commitment period for an existing discount plan, change to a discount plan with a longer commitment period provided that (1) the usage commitment for the existing discount plan has been satisfied in the consecutive twelve month period that the change is requested in, and (2) the usage commitment for the new plan is equal to or greater than the usage commitment applicable to the existing discount plan. No termination liability charges will apply for any service extended under the longer commitment period. The then effective rates applicable for the longer commitment period and, when applicable, new usage commitment, will apply effective with the second bill day following the request for the change.

(10) Increase in the Usage Commitment

A customer may, at any time prior to the expiration of the selected commitment period for an existing discount plan, change to a discount plan with a higher usage commitment provided that (1) the usage commitment for the existing discount plan has been satisfied in the consecutive twelve month period that the change is requested in, and (2) the commitment period for the new plan is equal to or longer than the commitment period applicable to the existing discount plan. In this case, no termination liability charges will apply to the cancelled discount plan. The then effective rates applicable for the higher usage commitment and, when applicable, new commitment period, will apply effective with the second bill day following the request for the change.

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6.7.16 Service Discount Plans (Cont'd)

- (C) Service Discount Plan for Tandem Switched Transport Local
Transport Termination and Local Transport Facility Rate Elements*
(Cont'd)

(11) Rate Regulations

Where the Service Discount Plan is requested to be provided coincident with the installation of new service, it will be effective with the establishment of service.

Where the Service Discount Plan is requested to be provided on existing service, the plan will be effective on the second bill day following the Telephone Company's receipt of the Access Order requesting the discount.

6.8 Rates and Charges

Rates and Charges for Switched Access Service are found in Section 31.6 following.

Rates and Charges for IntelliLight® Dedicated SONET Ring are found in Sections 31.6 and 31.26.1 following.

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Rates and Charges for IntelliLight® Customer Assurance Network are found in Section 31.26.3 following.

Rates and Charges for IntelliLight® Entrance Facility are found in Section 31.26.4 following.

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