

ACCESS SERVICE

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

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provided herein, and are payable in immediately available funds. If such payment date would cause payment to be due on a Saturday, Sunday or Holiday (i.e., New Year's Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, the first Tuesday in November and the day when Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day or Columbus Day is legally observed), payment for such bills will be due from the customer as follows:

If such payment date falls on Sunday or on a Holiday which is observed on a Monday, the payment date shall be the first non-Holiday day following such Sunday or Holiday. If such payment date falls on a Saturday or on a Holiday which is observed on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, the payment date shall be the last non-Holiday day preceding such Saturday or Holiday.

(C) Late Payment Penalty

If the entire amount billed is not received by the Telephone Company (T) in immediately available funds by the payment date, an additional (T) charge (late payment charge) equal to 1/365th of the percentage rate (C) for deposit interest as that in 2.4.1(A) of the unpaid balance will (T) be applied for each day or portion thereof that an outstanding (T) balance remains.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)(D) Billing Disputes

In the event that a billing dispute occurs concerning any charges billed to the customer by the Telephone Company the following regulations will apply.

- (1) The date of the dispute shall be the date on which the customer furnishes the Telephone Company sufficient documentation to investigate the claim. Documentation must include, at the minimum, the account number under which the bill has been rendered, the date of the bill, the specific items on the bill being disputed, and, when possible, the applicable tariff section if the dispute is predicated on a tariff rate or regulation.
  - (2) The date of resolution shall be the date on which the Telephone Company completes its investigation of the dispute, notifies the customer of the disposition and applies a credit for the amount of the dispute resolved in the customer's favor or late payment penalty as appropriate. The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with any customer to resolve billing disputes.
  - (3) If a billing dispute is resolved in favor of the Telephone Company, any payments withheld pending resolution of the dispute shall be subject to the late payment penalty as set forth in (C) preceding.
  - (4) If the customer pays the total billed amount and disputes all or part of the amount, the Telephone Company will refund any overpayment and will apply a credit for a disputed amount penalty as set forth in (a) and (b) following.
    - (a) If a customer disputes a bill within ninety (90) days of the payment date established by the Telephone Company, and the billing dispute is resolved in favor of the customer, the customer will receive a credit for a disputed amount penalty from the Telephone Company for the period starting with the date of overpayment and ending on the date of resolution. The credit for a disputed amount penalty shall be an amount equal to the disputed amount resolved in the customer's favor times a penalty factor as set forth in (5) following.
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- (b) If a customer disputes a bill after ninety (90) days from the payment date established by the Telephone Company, and the billing dispute is resolved in favor of the customer, the customer will receive a credit for a disputed amount penalty from the Telephone Company for the period starting with the latter of the date of claim or date of overpayment and ending on the date of resolution. The credit for a disputed amount penalty shall be an amount equal to the disputed amount resolved in the customer's favor times 1% per month or 12% annually. (C)  
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(E) Billing Adjustments and Rounding

Adjustments for the quantities of services established or discontinued in any billing period beyond the minimum period set forth for services in other sections of this tariff will be prorated to the number of days or major fraction of days based on a 30 day month. When a rate as set forth in this tariff is shown to more than two decimal places, the charges will be determined using the rate shown. The resulting amount will then be rounded to the nearest penny (i.e., rounded to two decimal places).

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

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2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)

(F) Provision of Access Service Billing and Bill Verification

(1) The Telephone Company will, upon reasonable request and if available, furnish such detailed information as may be required for verification of any bill.

(2) The customer will receive its monthly bills in a standard paper format, or, at the customer's option, on magnetic tape in standard industry format for those access services for which the Telephone Company is technically capable of providing magnetic tape billing. Additional copies of the customer's bill may be provided in standard paper format at the rates and charges set forth in (3) following. When the customer requests a paper copy of the customer's bill in addition to the customer bill provided on magnetic tape, the rate set forth in (3) following shall apply per page.

(3)	Additional copies of the customer's monthly bill or service and features record in standard paper format, per page	<u>Rate</u> \$0.00 (R)
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### 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

#### 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

##### 2.4.2 Minimum Periods

The minimum period for which services are provided are for which rates and charges are applicable is one month except as otherwise specified. The minimum periods for which Expanded Interconnection Services are provided and which rates are applicable are in Section 17. The minimum periods for Optical Networking services are provided and which rates and charges are applicable are in Section 20. The minimum period for which service is provided and for which rates and charges are applicable for a Specialized Service or Arrangement provided on an individual case basis as set forth in 12 following, is one month unless a different minimum period is established which the individual case filing. When a service is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, charges are applicable, whether the service is used or not, as follows:

- (A) When a service with a one month minimum period is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, a one month charge will apply at the rate level in effect at the time service is discontinued.
- (B) When a service with a minimum period greater than one month is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, the applicable charge will be the lesser of:
  - (1) the Telephone Company's total nonrecoverable costs less the net salvage value for the discontinued service, or
  - (2) the total monthly charges, at the rate level in effect at the time service is discontinued, for the remainder of the minimum period

##### 2.4.3 Cancellation of an Order for Service

Provisions for the cancellation of an order for service are set forth in Section 5.3.2 following.

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
- 2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruption
- (A) General

A service is interrupted when it becomes unusable to the customer because of failure of a facility component used to furnish service under this tariff or in the event that the protective controls applied by the Telephone Company result in the complete loss of service by the customer as set forth in 6.4(A) following. An interruption period starts when an inoperative service is reported to, or discovered by, the Telephone Company designated trouble reporting office and ends when the service is operative. The customer is responsible for sectionalizing trouble to the Telephone Company facilities and/or equipment as set forth in 2.3.10 preceding.

In case of an interruption to any service, allowance for the period of interruption, if not due to the negligence of the customer, shall be calculated as set forth in (B) and (C) following. Interruptions for which no credit allowance applies are set forth in (D) following.

The credit allowance for an interruption or for a series of interruptions shall not exceed the monthly rate and minimum monthly usage charge for the service interrupted in any one monthly billing period.

For purposes of this section of the tariff, "major fraction" is defined as that time period representing one-half or more of the incremental time period used to apply the credit allowance for those specific services listed in (B) following.

Service interruptions for Specialized Service or Arrangements provided under the provisions of 12. following shall be administered in the same manner as those set forth in this section (2.4.4) unless other regulations are specified with the individual case filing.

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### 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

#### 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

##### 2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruption

###### (A) General

An out of service credit will apply for the following Optical (T) Networking rate elements, where applicable, should the service be (T) interrupted due to the Telephone Company's system's failure to switch to protected electronics and/or facilities within one (1) second in those locations connected to the Telephone Company surveillance system unless such interruptions are a result of conditions outside the Telephone Company's control:

- Shared Ring Connect
- Ring Connect
- LAN-wide Premium Transport
- Ring-per-mile Transport
- ON-net Banded Optical Transport provisioned via a ring topology (T)
- Custom Connect configured via a Ring topology.

Credit will be predicated on information provided by the Telephone Company's and the customer's network surveillance systems associated with this service arrangement. The Telephone Company and the customer shall each have the opportunity to perform an annual inspection of the other party's network surveillance system to confirm its accuracy. The out-of-service credit will be calculated based on the monthly rate element charges of that portion of the inter-office network rendered inoperative. A maximum limit of one months recurring charge per rate element will be allotted for a interruption or series of interruptions within any one billing period.

The credit allowance for all other Optical Networking access services (T) will be as shown in 2.4.4(B).

###### (B) Special Access Services

For Special Access Services (other than Program Audio and Video Services) and for Switched Access Entrance Facilities, Direct-Trunked Transport and Multiplexing services, no credit shall be allowed for an interruption of less than 30 minutes. The customer shall be credited for an interruption of 30 minutes or more at the rate of 1/1440 of the monthly charges for the facility or service for each period of 30 minutes or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

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### 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

#### 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

##### 2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions (Cont'd)

#### (B) Special Access Services (Cont'd)

##### (1) (Cont'd)

The monthly charges used to determine the credit shall be as follows:

- (a) For two point services, the monthly charge subject to credit shall be the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with the service (i.e., two circuit terminations, circuit mileage and optional features and functions).
  - (b) For multipoint services, the monthly charge subject to credit shall be only the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with that portion of the service that is inoperative (i.e., a circuit termination per customer premises, circuit mileage and optional features and functions).
  - (c) For multiplexed services, the monthly charge subject to credit shall be the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with that portion of the service that is inoperative. When the facility which is multiplexed or the multiplexer itself is inoperative, the monthly charge shall be the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with the service (i.e., the circuit termination, circuit mileage and optional features and functions, including the multiplexer on the facility to the hub, and the circuit terminations, circuit mileages and optional features and functions on the individual services from the hub). When the service which rides a circuit of the multiplexed facility is inoperative, the monthly charge shall be the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with that portion of the service from the Hub to a customer premises (i.e., circuit termination, circuit mileage and optional features and functions).
- (2) For Program Audio and Video Special Access Services, no credit shall be allowed for an interruption of less than 30 seconds. The customer shall be credited for an interruption of 30 seconds or more as follows:
- (a) For two-point services, when monthly rates are applicable, the credit shall be at the rate of 1/8640 of the monthly charges for the service for each period of 5 minutes or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.
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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions (Cont'd)

(B) Special Access Services (Cont'd)

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- (b) For two-point services, when daily rates are applicable, the credit shall be at the rate of 1/288 of the daily charges for the service for each period of 5 minutes or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.
- (c) For multipoint services, when monthly rates are applicable, the credit shall be at the rate of 1/8640 of the monthly charges for each circuit termination, circuit mileage and optional features and functions that is inoperative for each period of 5 minutes or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.
- (d) For multipoint services, when daily rates are applicable, the credit shall be at the daily rate of 1/288 of the daily charges for each circuit termination, circuit mileage and optional features and functions that is inoperative for each period of 5 minutes or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.
- (e) For multipoint services, the credit for the monthly or daily charges includes the charges for the distribution amplifier only when the distribution amplifier is inoperative.
- (f) When two or more interruptions occur during a period of 5 consecutive minutes, such multiple interruptions shall be considered as one interruption.
- (3) For certain Special Access services (Wideband Digital, WD1-3; Digital Data Access, DA1-4; and High Capacity, HC1), any period during which the error performance is below that specified for the service will be considered as an interruption.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions (Cont'd)

(B) Special Access Services (Cont'd)

- (4) Except as noted, all Special Access Services will be eligible for a (T)  
credit allowance for each occurrence of a service interruption period (T)  
greater than 30 minutes. The maximum credit allowance will be (C)  
\$200.00 for each out of service condition within the Telephone (T)  
Company's facilities and will not exceed the monthly charge for the  
interrupted service. The credit allowance will not be applied more  
than once per calendar month. This credit allowance is applicable in  
all jurisdictions. The credit allowance is in addition to the credit  
allowance in 2.4.4(B)(1). A credit allowance will not be extended in  
accordance with conditions in 2.1.3 and 2.4.4(D) for repair of  
Telephone Company owned facilities. (T)

The exceptions to this credit allowance are Program Audio Service - (T)  
Daily Rates in 7.6.5, Video Services in 7.7, Individual Case Basis (M)  
Services in 7.12 and Specialized Service Arrangements in 12. (M)

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions (Cont'd)

(C) Switched Access Service

For Switched Access Service, other than Entrance Facilities, Direct-Trunked Transport and Multiplexing, no credit shall be allowed for an interruption of less than 24 hours. The customer shall be credited for an interruption of 24 hours or more at the rate of 1/30 of any applicable monthly charge, assumed usage, or minimum monthly usage charge for each period of 24 hours or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

For Switched Access service interrupted by an NXX isolation a credit will be given the billed customer of record utilizing the following (T) formula:

300 Minutes of Use X the appropriate switched access rate X  
the number of trunks out of service = the credit allowance

NXX isolation is defined as a situation whereby a customer in an (T)  
NPA-NXX is unable to originate a call to the carrier network and/ or  
receive a call from the carrier network.

The credit will apply when an out of service condition of 30 minutes or more occurs within the Telephone Company's switched facilities. The credit allowance will not be applied more than once per calendar month. A credit allowance will not be extended in accordance with conditions in 2.1.3 and 2.4.4(D) for repair of Telephone Company owned facilities.

Switched Access Service Entrance Facilities, Direct-Trunked Transport and Multiplexing will be eligible for a credit allowance for each occurrence of a service interruption period greater than 30 minutes. The maximum credit allowance will be \$200.00 for each out of service condition within the Telephone Company's facilities. The credit allowance will not exceed the monthly charge for the interrupted service and will not be applied more than once per calendar month. This credit allowance is applicable in all jurisdictions. A credit allowance will not be extended in accordance with conditions in 2.1.3 and 2.4.4(D) for repair of Telephone Company owned facilities.

For Common Channel Signaling System 7 (CCS7) Access Service, described in Section 6.2.7, a credit allowance will be made for an interruption period of 30 minutes or more. The allowance will be calculated at the rate of 1/1440 of the monthly charge for the portion of the service affected, for each 30 minutes or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions (Cont'd)

(C) Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

Switched Access Service Entrance Facilities, Direct-Trunked Transport (M) and Multiplexing will be eligible for a credit allowance for each occurrence of a service interruption period greater than 30 minutes. The maximum credit allowance will be \$200.00 for each out of service condition within the Telephone Company's facilities. The credit allowance will not exceed the monthly charge for the interrupted service and will not be applied more than once per calendar month. This credit allowance is applicable in all jurisdictions. A credit allowance will not be extended in accordance with conditions in 2.1.3 and 2.4.4(D) for repair of Telephone Company owned facilities.

For Common Channel Signaling System 7 (CCS7) Access Service, described in Section 6.2.7, a credit allowance will be made for an interruption period of 30 minutes or more. The allowance will be calculated at the rate of 1/1440 of the monthly charge for the portion of the service affected, for each 30 minutes or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

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### 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

#### 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

##### 2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions (Cont'd)

##### (D) When a Credit Allowance Does Not Apply

No credit allowance will be made for:

- (1) Interruptions caused by the negligence of the customer. (M)
- (2) Interruptions of a service due to the failure of equipment or systems provided by the customer or others. (M)
- (3) Interruptions of service during any period in which the Telephone Company is not afforded access to the premises where the service is terminated.
- (4) Interruptions of service when the customer has released that service to the Telephone Company for maintenance purposes, to make rearrangements, or for the implementation of an order for a change in the service during the time that was negotiated with the customer prior to the release of that service. Thereafter, a credit allowance as set forth in (B) preceding applies.
- (5) Interruptions of a service which continue because of the failure of the customer to authorize replacement of any element of special construction, as set forth in GTE System Telephone Companies Tariff FCC No. 2 for Special Construction. The period for which no credit allowance is made begins on the seventh day after the customer receives the Telephone Company's written notification of the need for such replacement and ends on the day after receipt by the Telephone Company of the customer's written authorization for such replacement.
- (6) Periods when the customer elects not to release the service of testing and/or repair and continues to use it on an impaired basis.
- (7) An interruption or a group of interruptions, resulting from a common cause, for amounts less than one dollar.
- (8) Periods when the Telephone Company must temporarily interrupt an EIS, as defined in Section 17, in order to prevent damage or disruption to the Telephone Company's network due to the customer's equipment.
- (9) For EIS elements, specified in Section 17, no credit allowance will be made.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions (Cont'd)

(E) Use of an Alternative Service Provided by the Telephone Company

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Should the customer elect to use an alternative service provided by the Telephone Company during the period that a service is interrupted, the customer must pay the tariffed rates and charges for the alternative service used.

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(F) Temporary Surrender of a Service

In certain instances, the customer may be requested by the Telephone Company to surrender a service for purposes other than maintenance, testing or activity relating to a service order. If the customer consents, a credit allowance will be granted. The credit allowance will be 1/440 of the monthly rate for each period of 30 minutes or fraction thereof that the service is surrendered. In no case will the credit allowance exceed the monthly rate for the service surrendered in any one monthly billing period.

2.4.5 Re-establishment of Service Following Fire, Flood or Other Occurrence

(A) Nonrecurring Charges Do Not Apply

Charges do not apply for the re-establishment of service following a fire, flood or other occurrence attributed to an Act of God provided that:

- (1) The service is of the same type as was provided prior to the fire, flood or other occurrence.
- (2) The service is for the same customer.
- (3) The service is at the same location on the same premises.
- (4) The re-establishment of service begins within 60 days after Telephone Company service is available. (The 60 day period may be extended a reasonable period if the renovation of the original location on the premises affected is not practical within the allotted time period).

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2.4.5 Re-establishment of Service Following Fire, Flood or Other Occurrence  
(Cont'd)

(B) Nonrecurring Charges Apply

Nonrecurring Charges apply for establishing service at a different location on the same premises or at a different premises pending re-establishment of service at the original location.

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2.4.6 Title or Ownership Rights

The payment of rates and charges by Customers for the services offered under the provisions of this tariff does not assign, confer or transfer title or ownership rights to proposals or facilities developed or utilized, respectively, by the Telephone Company in the provision of such services.

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### 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

### 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

#### 2.4.7 Access Services Provided by More Than One Telephone Company

The Telephone Company will perform the rating and billing of Access Services under this tariff where more than one Telephone Company is involved in the provision of Access Service as set forth in (A) or (B) following. The Single Company Billing arrangement as set forth in (A) following will be used for FGA and BSA-A Switched Access Services except where interconnection arrangements between the telephone companies involved permit the use of the Multiple Company Billing arrangement as set forth in (B) following. The Telephone Company will notify the customer of the billing arrangement when the customer orders FGA or BSA-A service. The Multiple Company Billing arrangement, as set forth in (B) following, will be used for all FGB, FGC, FGD, BSA-B, BSA-C, BSA-D, 800/877/888 Access, and 900 Access (T) Switched Access Services and Special Access Services.

#### (A) Single Company Billing

The Telephone Company receiving the order from the customer as specified in 5.2(A) following will arrange to provide the service, determine the applicable charges and bill the customer for the entire service in accordance with its Access Services tariff.

#### (B) Multiple Company Billing

- (1) For access services subject to Multiple Company Billing, the customer will be billed in accordance with the Exchange Carrier Standards Association's Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing Guidelines (MECAB) and Multiple Exchange Carrier Ordering and Design Guidelines (MECOD). One of the following methods will be used:

Single Bill - The customer will receive a single bill for all access services provided by multiple Telephone Companies. The single bill will include all rate elements applicable to the access service provided under one billing account.



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### 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

### 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

### 2.4.7 Access Services Provided by More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)

#### (B) Multiple Company Billing (Cont'd)

- (1) Multiple Bill -The customer will receive a bill from each Telephone Company providing the access service. Multiple bills will include all charges applicable to the individual portion of the access service provided by each Telephone Company. Such bills will include the following information in accordance with the MECAB Guidelines:

- Billing Account Reference (BAR)
- Billing Account Cross Reference (BACR)
- Billing Account Number (BAN)
- End Office NPA/NXX or End Office CLLI Code
- Common EC Circuit Identifiers (Special Access)
- Billing Percentages as listed in NECA Tariff No. 4
- Percent Interstate Usage (PIU)
- Usage "from" and "through" dates

The choice of billing method shall be determined by the Telephone Companies involved. The Telephone Company will notify the customer which method applies when the customer orders access service and will provide the customer thirty days' notice in the event that the billing method is changed.

- (2) For Switched Access Tandem-Switched Transport Services, the Telephone Company will determine the applicable charges as follows:

- (a) Determine the distance in airlines miles using the V&H method set forth in National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff FCC No. 4, between the Telephone Company's end office and the customer's serving wire center, or between the Telephone Company access tandem and the end office if Direct-Trunked Transport is ordered directly to the Telephone Company access tandem. (T)  
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### 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

#### 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

#### 2.4.7 Access Services Provided by More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)

##### (B) Multiple Company Billing (Cont'd)

##### (2) (Cont'd)

(b) The airline distance in miles developed in (a) will be multiplied by (T) the Tandem-Switched Transport Facility rate times the number of access minutes of use times the billing percentage to determine the appropriate Local Transport charges. The billing percentage is that portion of local transport to be billed by each company and is mutually agreed upon by the Telephone Companies involved in providing Access Services to the customer. Billing percentages are listed in National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff FCC No. 4.

(c) The total Local Transport charge shall be the Tandem-Switched Transport Facility charge as determined in (b) plus the Tandem-Switched Transport Termination rate times the number of access minutes of use times the number of terminations. (T)

Where the Tandem-Switched Transport-Facility is provided by more than one telephone company, the Tandem-Switched Transport-Termination rate applies for the termination at the Telephone Company end of the Tandem-Switched Transport (i.e., the first point of switching or the end office serving the end user). The Switched Transport Termination rate will not apply when the Telephone Company is the intermediate provider of the Switched Transport Facility.

(d) All other appropriate recurring and nonrecurring charges in each Telephone Company's access tariff are applicable. The Nonrecurring Charges for Switched Access, as set forth in 6.5.4, apply in full. (T)

(3) For Special Access Services and Switched Access Direct-Trunked Transport, the Telephone Company will determine the applicable charges as follows:

(a) Determine the distance in airline miles using the V&H method set forth in National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff No. 4 between the locations involved; i.e., the serving wire center associated with a customer designated premise and an end office, or a Telephone Company hub, or two Telephone Company hubs, a hub to an end office, or a hub to a Telephone Company access tandem. (T)

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.7 Access Services Provided by More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)

(B) Multiple Company Billing (Cont'd)

(3) (Cont'd)

- (b) The airline distance in miles developed in (a) preceding will be multiplied by the Special Access Circuit Mileage-Per Mile or Switched Access Direct-Trunked Transport Mileage rate element times the billing percentage to determine the appropriate charges. The billing percentage is that portion of circuit mileage to be billed by each company involved in providing Access Services to the customer. Billing percentages are listed in National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff FCC No. 4. (T)
- (c) For Special Access, the total Circuit Mileage charges shall be the Circuit Mileage-Per Mile charge determined in (b) preceding plus the Circuit Mileage-Fixed charges. The Circuit Mileage-Fixed charge is always applied in full, once per circuit mileage facility, whether the Telephone Company provides one, or more than one, circuit mileage facility termination(s). The Circuit Mileage-Fixed rate does not apply when the Telephone Company provides an intermediate portion of a circuit mileage facility and no circuit mileage terminations. (T)
- (d) For Switched Access, the total Direct-Trunked Transport charges shall be the Direct-Trunked Transport Mileage charge determined in (b) preceding plus the Direct-Trunked Transport - Fixed charges. The Fixed charge is always applied in full, once per Direct-Trunked Transport facility whether the Telephone Company provides one, or more than one, facility termination(s). The Fixed charge does not apply when the Telephone Company provides an intermediate portion of a Direct-Trunked Transport facility and no terminations. (N)
- (e) All other appropriate recurring and nonrecurring charges in each Telephone Company's access tariff are applicable. The Special Access Nonrecurring Charge for circuit installation applies in full once per Circuit Termination provided by the Telephone Company. (T)
- (4) The Interconnection Charge for Switched Transport shall be billed by the Telephone Company in whose territory the end office is located. (N)

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
- 2.4.7 Access Services Provided by More Than One Telephone Company (Cont'd)
- (B) Multiple Company Billing (Cont'd) (N)
- (5) The shared trunk port for Tandem-Switched Transport shall be billed by the Telephone Company in whose territory the end office is located.
- (6) For tandem routed trunks, the dedicated trunk port shall be billed by the Telephone Company owning the tandem. For end office direct routed trunks, the dedicated trunk port shall be billed by the Telephone Company owning the end office on a single bill, single tariff or multiple bill, multiple tariff meet point billing arrangement.
- (7) The shared multiplexing charge will be assessed to the interexchange carrier by the Telephone Company owning the access tandem under the multiple bill, multiple tariff meet point billing option, and to the initial billing company, by the Telephone Company owning the access tandem, under the single bill, single tariff meet point billing option. (N)
- (C) (Reserved for Future Use)