

ACCESS SERVICE

EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS

rms	-	root-mean-square
RSM	-	Remote Switching Modules
RSS	-	Remote Switching Systems
SCP	-	Service Control Point
SMDI	-	Simplified Message Desk Interface
SPA	-	Special Access (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA)
SPOI	-	Signaling Point of Interface
SPUR	-	Service Provided Upon Request
SRL	-	Singing Return Loss
SS7	-	Signaling System 7
SSN	-	Switched Service Network
SSP	-	Service Switching Point
STP	-	Signal Transfer Point
SWA	-	BellSouth Switched Access
SWC	-	Serving Wire Center
TCAP	-	Transactions Capabilities Application Part Messages
TES	-	Telephone Exchange Service(s)
TG	-	Telegraph Grade
TLP	-	Transmission Level Point
TOPS	-	Traffic Operator Position System
TRS	-	BellSouth Telecommunications Relay Service
TRSTS	-	BellSouth Telecommunications Relay Service Transport Service
TSBSA	-	BellSouth SWA Trunk Side Basic Serving Arrangement
TV	-	Television
USOC	-	Uniform Service Order Code
VEIS	-	BellSouth Virtual Expanded Interconnection Service
VG	-	Voice Grade (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA DSO VG)
V & H	-	Vertical & Horizontal
WA	-	Wideband Analog (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA Wideband Analog)
WATS	-	BellSouth SWA Wide Area Telecommunications Service(s)
WD	-	Wideband Data (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA Wideband Data)

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1 - Application of Tariff

1.1 This tariff contains regulations, rates and charges applicable to the provision of Carrier Common Line, End User Access, BellSouth SWA and Special Access (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA) Services, BellSouth Virtual Expanded Interconnection Service, Lifeline Assistance, Universal Service Fund and other miscellaneous services, hereinafter referred to collectively as service(s), provided by the BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the Telephone Company, to customers.

Pursuant to the Commission's Rules at Section 69.4(c), 69.5(d), 69.104(1), 69.116, 69.117, 69.603(c), and 69.603(d), regulations concerning administration and billing of Lifeline Assistance and Universal Service Fund, rates and charges for these carrier's carrier elements are contained in Section 8 of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc., Tariff F.C.C. No. 5. The National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc., will bill and collect all Lifeline Assistance and Universal Service Fund charges on behalf of the Telephone Company.

1.2 The provision of such services by the Telephone Company as set forth in this tariff does not constitute a joint undertaking with the customer for the furnishing of any service.

1.3 The operating territory of the Telephone Company is comprised of the locations set forth in Section 15 following for the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee.

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2 - General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 Definitions (Cont'd)

Collocator - BellSouth Virtual Expanded Interconnection Service

The term "Collocator-BellSouth Virtual Expanded Interconnection Service" denotes any person, corporation, or other legal entity with whom the Telephone Company has negotiated for the purpose of provisioning an interconnection arrangement in accordance with the BellSouth Virtual Expanded Interconnection tariff provisions.

Collocator's Facilities - BellSouth Virtual Expanded Interconnection Service

The term "Collocator's Facilities-BellSouth Virtual Expanded Interconnection service" denotes the collocator-provided/Telephone Company leased fiber optic cables and central office terminating equipment installed and maintained by the Telephone Company for the sole use of provisioning a BellSouth Virtual Expanded Interconnection service arrangement, in accordance with the BellSouth Virtual Expanded Interconnection tariff provisions.

Common Line

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

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2 - General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 Definitions (Cont'd)

Transmission Measuring (105 Type) Test Line/Responder

The term "Transmission Measuring (105 Type) Test Line/Responder" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides far-end access to a responder and permits two-way loss and noise measurements to be made on trunks from a near end office.

Transmission Path

The term "Transmission Path" denotes an electrical path capable of transmitting signals within the range of the service offering, e.g., a voice grade transmission path is capable of transmitting voice frequencies within the approximate range of 300 to 3000 Hz. A transmission path is comprised of physical or derived channels consisting of any form or configuration of facilities typically used in the telecommunications industry.

Trunk

The term "Trunk" denotes a communications path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

Trunk Group

The term "Trunk Group" denotes a set of trunks which are traffic engineered as a unit for the establishment of connections between switching systems in which all of the communications paths are interchangeable.

Trunk-Side Connection

The term "Trunk-Side Connection" denotes the connection of a transmission path to the trunk side of a local exchange switching system.

Two-Wire to Four-Wire Conversion

The term "Two-Wire to Four-Wire Conversion" denotes an arrangement which converts a four-wire transmission path to a two-wire transmission path to allow a four-wire facility to terminate in a two-wire entity (e.g., a central office switch).

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