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16. Public Packet Data Network (Continued)

16.2 Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Services (Cont'd)

General Description

This section contains the rules and regulations pertaining to the provision of Consolidated Communications' Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Services. DSL services provide high-speed connections over existing copper or fiber facilities, which may also be used to provision customers' local exchange service. Current DSL offerings include Asymmetrical Digital Subscriber Line Service (SpeedLink) and Telecommunications Service Provider Service Access (TSPSA). Service, provisioning, and rate information is detailed following. The regulations and rates specified herein are in addition to the applicable regulations and rates specified in other sections of this tariff. (T) (T) (T)

16.2.1 ADSL Speedlink Services

(A) Service Description

Asymmetrical Digital Subscriber Line (ADSL) SpeedLink Service (SpeedLink) may be used by the customer to carry any type or combination of communications, e.g. voice, video, data graphics, messages. It is a data technology service being offered in only one bandwidth/speed level configuration: the maximum that can be obtained from the current DSL equipment technology, taking into account loop distance, physical condition and other characteristics of the facilities and equipment. The Up speeds represent transmission speeds in kilobits per second (Kbps), from the point of demarcation at the customer's premises to the Telephone Company's ADSL connection point; while the Down speeds represent transmission speeds in Kbps or megabits per second (Mbps), from the Telephone Company's ADSL connection point to the point of demarcation at the customer's designated premises. The Telephone Company will deliver the maximum possible speed up to the point of demarcation (NID – network interface device) at the customer premises. The current equipment configuration supports maximum speeds of up to 6.0 Mbps downstream and 640 Kbps upstream. Users requiring lower bandwidth will often have a greater range for the availability of service. (C)

SpeedLink service will require a splitter(s) at both the customer's designated premises and the telephone Company's serving wire center to split the traffic between data and voice. The customer is responsible for providing and maintaining the splitter(s) at the customer designated premises. The voice traffic will be routed to the serving wire center switching equipment while the data traffic will be directed through a multiplexer for connection to a Telecommunication Service Provider (TSP).

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16.2 Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Services (Continued)

16.2.1 ADSL SpeedLink Service (Continued)

(E) Responsibility of the Customer (Continued)

The SpeedLink customer will be responsible for granting permission to the Telephone Company’s agents or employees to enter the customer’s designated premises at a mutually agreed upon time for the purpose of installing, inspecting, repairing, or upon termination of the service, removing the service components of the Telephone Company.

(F) Technical Specifications

Technical Specifications are listed in the Telephone Company’s technical publication (TP) 76701 and in the publications listed in the “Reference to Technical Publications,” Pages 0-28 through 0-33.

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(G) Rate Regulations

(1) Rate Elements

The Company will provide the maximum possible speeds, both upstream (to the serving wire center) and downstream (from the serving wire center to the customer) in an “open pipe” mode. Signals in both directions meet a minimum guaranteed speed of 128 Kbps. The upstream and downstream signals will be transmitted at the best possible speeds based on the technical standards of the current DSL equipment and facilities, along with the condition and geography of the facilities and equipment. Current ADSL technical standards offer a maximum of 6 Mbps downstream and 640 Kbps upstream. Users requiring lower bandwidth will often have a greater range for the availability of service. Future technical standards (VDSL, SHDSL, etc.) will increase this and be provided to the Company’s customers as soon as customer demand requires.

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The customer’s modem must synchronize at 128 Kbps to attain the minimum speed of 128 Kbps, and at higher speeds to utilize the higher speed capabilities of the service.

(C)

ADSL service may be used by the customer to carry any type or combination of communications, e.g. voice, video, data graphics, and messages.

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16.2 Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Services (Continued)

16.2.1 ADSL SpeedLink Service (Continued)

(G) Rate Regulations (Continued)

(1) Rate Elements (Cont'd)

A monthly rate charge and nonrecurring rate charge apply per SpeedLink ADSL arrangement as shown in Sect. 17.4.7(B)(1) and 18.4.7(B)(1) of this tariff. Any changes to the customer's Speedlink ADSL service will result in a standard service charge as described in Sections 17.4.1 and 18.4.1. (M)(T)

(2) Rate Application (1)

Note: ADSL will no longer be provided on an optional term plan basis. No rate increases will be imposed on customers with existing term plans until what would have been the end of the term on currently existing term plans. (N)

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SpeedLink service is offered for a minimum service period of 30 days. A move of SpeedLink service from one physical location to another, or a change from one speed option to another, will be handled and billed as a service disconnection and a new installation. A change from one Telecommunication Service Provider to another, with no change of service option, will be billed as a service order charge.

(1) ADSL will no longer be provided on an optional term plan basis. No rate increases will be imposed on customers with existing term plans until what would have been the end of the term on currently existing term plans. (N)

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16. Public Packet Data Network (Continued)

16.2 Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Services (Continued)

16.2.1 ADSL SpeedLink Service (Continued)

(G) Rate Regulations (Continued)

(3) Reserved for Future Use (1)

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(1) ADSL will no longer be provided on an optional term plan basis. No rate increases will be imposed on customers with existing term plans until what would have been the end of the term on currently existing term plans.

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16. Public Packet Data Network (Continued)

16.2 Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Services (Continued)

16.2.1 ADSL Speedlink Service (Cont'd)

(G) Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

(3) Reserved for Future Use (1)

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(1) ADSL will no longer be provided on an optional term plan basis. No rate increases will be imposed on customers with existing term plans until what would have been the end of the term on currently existing term plans.

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16.2 Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Services (Continued)

16.2.1 ADSL SpeedLink Service (Continued)

(G) Rate Regulations (Continued)

(3) Reserved for Future Use (1)

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(1) ADSL will no longer be provided on an optional term plan basis. No rate increases will be imposed on customers with existing term plans until what would have been the end of the term on currently existing term plans.

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16. Public Packet Data Network (Continued)

16.2 Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Services (Continued)

16.2.1 ADSL SpeedLink Service (Continued)

(G) Rate Regulations (Continued)

(3) Reserved for Future Use (1)

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(1) ADSL will no longer be provided on an optional term plan basis. No rate increases will be imposed on customers with existing term plans until what would have been the end of the term on currently existing term plans.

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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications of Texas (CCTX) (Cont'd) (T)

17.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

17.4.7 Public Packet Data Network (Cont'd)

(B) Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Services

(1) ADSL SpeedLink Service (1) (C)

Regulations concerning SpeedLink service are set forth in Section 16.2.1 preceding.

	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Nonrecurring Service Order Charge</u>	<u>Nonrecurring Installation Charge</u>	(C)
Speedlink ADSL Service	\$22.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	(C)(R)

(2) Promotional Offerings (1)

(a) During the time period between March 1, 2004 and May 31, 2004, the Telephone Company will waive the first month of recurring monthly charges for any new ADSL customer or current month-to-month customer who commits to at least a one-year TPP (Term Pricing Plan). If the ADSL line is disconnected for any reason prior to the end of the 12-month minimum commitment period, the Telephone Company will bill the customer an amount equal to the waived recurring charges and any termination fees.

(1) ADSL will no longer be provided on an optional term plan basis. No rate increases will be imposed on customers with existing term plans until what would have been the end of the term on currently existing term plans. (N)  
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17. Rates and Charges – Consolidated Communications of Texas (CCTX) (Cont'd) (T)

17.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

17.4.7 Public Packet Data Network (Cont'd)

(B) Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Services (Cont'd)

(2) Promotional Offerings (Cont'd) (2) (C)

(b) During the time period between June 1, 2004 and July 31, 2004, the Telephone Company will waive the first two months of recurring monthly charges for any new ADSL customer or current month-to-month customer who commits to at least a one-year TPP (Term Pricing Plan). During the first two promotional months, the customer has the option of canceling the service at any time with no penalty. After the promotional period is over, if the ADSL line is disconnected for any reason prior to the end of the 12-month minimum commitment period, the Telephone Company will bill the customer an amount equal to the waived recurring charges. <sup>(1)</sup>

(1) Normal TPP termination procedures and fees also apply

(2) ADSL will no longer be provided on an optional term plan basis. No rate increases will be imposed on customers with existing term plans until what would have been the end of the term on currently existing term plans. (N)  
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18. Rates and Charges - Consolidated Communications of Fort Bend (CCFB) (Cont'd)

18.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

18.2.2 Local Transport (Cont'd)

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(A) Premium Access (Cont'd)

(4) Multiplexing

6.1.3(A)(5)

(a) Multiplexing, Per Arrangement

- DS1 to Voice \$ 97.94
- DS3 to DS1 \$ 253.70
- OC3 to DS3 \$1,400.00
- OC12 to OC3  
or DS3 \$3,000.00

(b) Multiplexing, Per Port

- Voice Grade N/A
- DS1 \$ 80.00
- DS3 \$ 135.00
- OC3 \$ 225.00

(5) Tandem Switched Transport

6.1.3(A)(3)

- Tandem Switched Facility Per Access Minute Per Mile \$0.000140 (R)
- Tandem Switched Termination Per Access Minute Per Termination \$0.000300 (R)
- Tandem Switching Per Access Minute Per Tandem \$0.000500 (I)

(B) Network Blocking Per Blocked Call

- Applies to FGD only \$0.0134

6.8.6

(C) 800 Series Data Base Access Service Queries Per Query

6.1.3(A)(6)

- Basic \$0.000601
- Vertical Feature \$0.000669

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18. Rates and Charges - Consolidated Communications of Fort Bend (CCFB) (Cont'd) (T)

18.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

18.4.8 Public Packet Data Network

(A) Reserved for Future Use

(B) Asymmetrical Digital Subscriber Line (ADSL) Service (1)

Regulations concerning ADSL Service are set forth in 16.2.1 preceding.

	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Nonrecurring Service Order Charge</u>	<u>Nonrecurring Installation Charge</u>	(C)   (C)(R)
Speedlink ADSL Service	\$22.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	(D)   (D)

(2) Promotional Offerings (1)

(a) During the time period between March 1, 2004 and May 31, 2004, the Telephone Company will waive the first month of recurring monthly charges for any new ADSL customer or current month-to-month customer who commits to at least a one-year TPP (Term Pricing Plan). If the ADSL line is disconnected for any reason prior to the end of the 12-month minimum commitment period, the Telephone Company will bill the customer an amount equal to the waived recurring charges and any termination fees.

(1) ADSL will no longer be provided on an optional term plan basis. No rate increases will be imposed on customers with existing term plans until what would have been the end of the term on currently existing term plans. (N)  
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18. Rates and Charges - Consolidated Communications of Fort Bend (CCFB) (Cont'd) (T)

18.4 Other Services (Cont'd)

18.4.8 Public Packet Data Network (Cont'd)

(B) Asymmetrical Digital Subscriber Line (ADSL) Service (Cont'd)

(2) Promotional Offerings (Cont'd) (2) (C)

(b) During the time period between June 1, 2004 and July 31, 2004, the Telephone Company will waive the first two months of recurring monthly charges for any new ADSL customer or current month-to-month customer who commits to at least a one-year TPP (Term Pricing Plan). During the first two promotional months, the customer has the option of canceling the service at any time with no penalty. After the promotional period is over, if the ADSL line is disconnected for any reason prior to the end of the 12-month minimum commitment period, the Telephone Company will bill the customer an amount equal to the waived recurring charges. <sup>(1)</sup>

(3) Reserved for Future Use

(1) Normal TPP termination procedures and fees also apply

(2) ADSL will no longer be provided on an optional term plan basis. No rate increases will be imposed on customers with existing term plans until what would have been the end of the term on currently existing term plans.

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