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2. General Regulations2.1 Undertaking of the Telephone Company2.1.1 Scope

- (A) The Telephone Company does not undertake to transmit messages under this tariff.
- (B) The Telephone Company shall be responsible only for the installation, operation and maintenance of the services which it provides.
- (C) The Telephone Company will, for maintenance purposes, test its services only to the extent necessary to detect and/or clear troubles.
- (D) Services are provided 24 hours daily, seven days per week, except as set forth in other applicable sections of this tariff.
- (E) The regulations set forth in this tariff shall apply to (1) access services ordered by a customer pursuant to Section 5, as well as to (2) facilities provisioned by the Telephone Company on behalf of a customer as DS1 or DS3 loop or transport, entrance facilities, dedicated DS0 and/or Optical Carrier Network unbundled network elements (UNEs), but which, as of March 12, 2006, are no longer available as UNEs and for which no alternative arrangements have been made as of March 12, 2006.

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5. Ordering Options for Switched and Special Access Service5.1 General

This section sets forth the regulations and order related charges for Access Orders for Switched and Special Access Services and the Expanded Interconnection Service Channel Termination (EISCT). These charges are in addition to other applicable charges as set forth in other sections of this tariff.

An Access Order is an order to provide the customer with Switched or Special Access Service, EISCT or to provide changes to existing services.

5.1.1 Ordering Conditions

A customer may order any number of services of the same type and between the same premises on a single Access Order, except when requested activity involves more than ten Carrier Identification Codes. An additional Access Order is required for each additional group of ten Carrier Identification codes requiring establishment, removal, or changes. All details for services for a particular order must be identical except for those for multipoint service.

The Telephone Company may order comparable special access services pursuant to this tariff on behalf of telecommunications service providers who are purchasing DS1 or DS3 loop or transport, entrance facilities, dedicated transport DS0 or Optical Carrier Network as unbundled network elements (UNEs) from the Telephone Company for which they are no longer eligible, as of March 12, 2006, unless alternative arrangements have been made as of March 12, 2006. Non-recurring Access Service Order charge will apply.

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The customer shall provide all information necessary for the Telephone Company to provide and bill for the requested service. In addition to the order information required in 5.2 following, the customer must also provide:

- Customer name and premises address(es).
- Billing name and address (when different from customer name and address).
- Customer contact name(s) and telephone number(s) for the following provisioning activities: order negotiation, order confirmation, interactive design, installation and billing.
- Orders for Entrance Facilities or Direct Trunked Transport shall be ordered at a DS1 or DS3 level when ordered separately from Feature Groups and Access Arrangements.
- Orders for Entrance Facilities or Direct Trunked Transport in conjunction with Feature Groups or Access Arrangements shall be ordered at a DS0 or DS1 level. The number of DS1s provisioned will be determined by the Telephone Company based on the numbers of lines/trunks ordered by the customer.
- Direct Trunked Transport shall be ordered with or without Entrance Facilities.
- Tandem Switched Transport shall be ordered in trunks.

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