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within the State of Ohio

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TARIFF INFORMATION

1.1. TARIFF FORMAT

1.1.1. Page Numbers

Page numbers appear in the upper right hand corner of the page. When a new page is added between existing pages with whole numbers, a decimal is added. For example, a new page added between pages 21 and 22 would be 21.1.

1.1.2. Page Revision Numbers

Revision numbers also appear in the upper right hand corner of the page. These numbers are used to determine the most current page version on file. For example, a 4th revised Sheet No. 21 cancels a 3rd revised Sheet No.21.

1.1.3. Numbering Sequence

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Revisions to this tariff are coded through the use of symbols:

- (C) - Indicates changed regulation.
- (D) - Indicates a discontinued rate or regulation.
- (I) - Indicates an increase.
- (M) - Indicates matter relocated (moved) without change.
- (N) - Indicates a new rate or regulation.
- (R) - Indicates a decrease.
- (T) - Indicates a change in text but no change in rate.

1.1.5. Trademarks and Service Marks

Trademarks and Service Marks to the extent, if any, used throughout this tariff, are Trademarks and Service marks of BTCS and are as specified in the Table of Contents and/or the appropriate Service Section of this tariff.

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SECTION 1 - APPLICATION OF TARIFF

1.1. APPLICATION

1.1.1. General

This tariff applies to the furnishing of Intrastate IntraLATA and InterLATA Toll Services by BT Communications Sales LLC (herein referred to as the "Company" or "BTCS"). Services are furnished for the use of Customers in the transmission of communications between two stations in the State of Ohio. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this Tariff and the provisions of any Service Order submitted by the Customer to the Company, the provisions of this Tariff shall control to the extent required by law.

1.1.2. Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction is a matter of law, not of Company discretion or policy, or Customer preference. The law describing what constitutes interstate jurisdiction is the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Some portions of this service are only subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission. This tariff covers the portion of service that is subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO).

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SECTION 2 - GENERAL REGULATIONS

2.1. UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY

2.1.1. General

The Company undertakes to provide Service between the points described herein, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Tariff. The Company does not transmit communications, but offers the use of Company Facilities, where available, for the transmission of communications.

2.1.2. Transmission Medium

The Company selects and/or arranges for the channels and/or service components used to provide the services provided under this tariff. Any suitable technology or combination of technologies may be used. The Company may modify or change the channels and/or service components used to furnish service at any time subject to the regulations in Section 2.7.3. of this tariff.

2.1.3. Provision of Customer Equipment

The Company does not provide Customer equipment under this tariff, however, Customer equipment may be used by the Customer.

2.1.4. Through Transmission of Signals

BTCS is responsible for the provision of service from station to station, but is not responsible for the quality of transmission or signaling on the Customer's side of the interface at a Customer's premises.

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2.1. UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY

2.1.5. Availability of Service

Service is available twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week, subject to the availability of facilities and subject to transmission, atmospheric, topographical and like conditions. The Company may limit or interrupt the use of Service because of (i) the lack of transmission medium capacity, (ii) the need to perform maintenance, modifications, upgrades, relocations, testing or other similar activities necessary for the provision of Service, or (iii) any cause beyond its control.

A. Availability

1. Subject to compliance with 2.1.5.B. following, where a shortage of service components exists at any time either for temporary or protracted periods, the establishment of two-point long distance service, shall take precedence over all other services provided by the Company.
2. Service is furnished subject to the availability of the service components required. The Company will determine which of those components shall be used and make modifications to those components at its option. "Service components" shall include, but not be limited to, the existence of access and/or billing arrangements on an originating and/or terminating basis. In the absence of access arrangements between the Company and the access provider at a particular Station, a Customer may be unable to place calls from or to the affected Station.
3. Service will be provided where facilities and billing capability are available.

B. Restoration of Service

The restoration of the Service shall be in accordance with Part 64, Subpart D, Appendix A, of the Federal Communications Commissions Rules and Regulations, which specifies the priority system for such activities.

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INTEREXCHANGE RESELLERS SERVICES**SECTION 2 - GENERAL REGULATIONS****2.2. USE****2.2.1. General**

Service provided in this tariff may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with the transmission and switching parameters of the telecommunications network. Services are furnished for use by the Customer but may be used by others when so authorized by the Customer.

2.2.2. Abuse

The abuse of services is prohibited. The following activities constitute abuse:

- A. Using services to make calls which might reasonably be expected to frighten, abuse, torment, or harass another, or
- B. Using services in such a way that it interferes unreasonably with the use of other Company service.

2.2.3. Fraudulent Use

The fraudulent use of, or the intended or attempted fraudulent use of, services is prohibited. The following activities constitute fraudulent use:

- A. Using services to transmit a message, locate a person, or otherwise give or obtain information, without payment for the service,
- B. Using or attempting to use services with the intent to avoid the payment, either in whole or in part, of the tariffed charges for the service by:
 - 1. rearranging, tampering with, or making connections not authorized by this tariff to any service components used to furnish service, or
 - 2. using fraudulent means or devices, tricks, schemes, false or invalid number, false credit devices, or electronic devices.

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2.3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMPANY

2.3.1. Liability

- A. Except as specified in B. and G. following, the Company's liability for services rendered under this tariff shall not exceed an amount equal to the proportionate fixed monthly rate provided under this tariff for the service for the periods during which the service was affected.

Approval of tariff language by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio does not constitute a determination by the Commission that the limitation of liability imposed by the Company should be upheld in a court of law. Approval by the Commission merely recognizes that since it is a court's responsibility to adjudicate negligence and consequent damage claims, it is also the court's responsibility to determine the validity of the exculpatory clause.

- B. The Company is not liable for any defacement of, or damage to a premises resulting from service or removal, when such defacement or damage is not the result of the Company's negligence.
- C. The Company is not liable to the Customer for all claims, losses or damages arising from the use of service furnished under this tariff, such as:
1. claims for libel, slander, invasion of privacy, or infringement of copyright arising from any communication;
 2. claims for patent infringement arising from combining or using the service(s) furnished by the Company in connection with facilities or equipment furnished by others; or
 3. all other claims arising out of any act or omission of others relating to the service(s) provided pursuant to this tariff.
- D. The Company does not guarantee or make any warranty or accept liability for claims, losses, or damages with respect to its service when used in an explosive atmosphere.

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2.3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMPANY (Cont'd)

2.3.1. Liability (Cont'd)

- E. No license under patents (other than the limited license to use) is granted by the Company for any service offered under this tariff. The Company will defend the Customer and user against claims of patent infringement arising solely from the use of service offered under this tariff, and will indemnify the Customer or user for any damages awarded based solely on such claims.
- F. The Company's failure to provide or maintain service under this tariff shall be excused by labor difficulties, governmental orders, civil commotions, acts of God, and other circumstances beyond the Company's reasonable control, subject to the Adjustment of Charges for Service Interruptions in Section 2.3.2. following.
- G. The Company's liability for its willful misconduct is not limited by this tariff.

2.3.2. Adjustment Of Charges For Service Interruptions

When a Company-caused error or malfunction causes a Customer's service to be interrupted, the Company will provide a credit allowance not exceeding an amount equal to the proportionate fixed monthly rate that would have been billed to the Customer for the period of time the service was interrupted. However, if service is restored within 24 hours of the interruption report or detection by the Company, no allowance will be made.

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2.3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMPANY (Cont'd)

2.3.3. Provision of Services

The service(s) provided in this tariff are fully supported by the Company through engineering, installation and maintenance efforts. The Company will assure that each service functions properly within its specified transmission and switching parameters.

A. Engineering

The Company will engineer to the specifications and parameters of the service provided.

B. Installation

When installation of a component is required, it will be installed subject to the availability of installation personnel and equipment. Installations will usually be made during normal working hours.

C. Maintenance

The Company will maintain and repair the services which it provides.

2.3.4. Assignment or Transfer of Service

At the Customer's request, service(s) may be assigned or transferred as follows, provided that no interruption or relocation results:

A. To another individual, partnership, association or corporation, provided the assignee or transferee assumes all outstanding indebtedness for the service.

B. To a receiver, trustee or other person appointed by a court or acting pursuant to law in bankruptcy, receivership, reorganization, insolvency, liquidation or other similar proceedings, provided the assignee or transferee assumes any unexpired portion of the initial contract period applicable to the service.

The regulations and conditions contained in this tariff concerning the establishment of service and the furnishing of service to Customers applies to the assignee or transferee.

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2.3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMPANY (Cont'd)

2.3.5. Termination of Service

The Company may terminate service in the event of service abandonment, nonpayment of any sum due, abuse or fraudulent use, other violations of the regulations of the Company or objection to the continuance of service made by any legitimate governmental authority.

Subsequent to the completion of an order to discontinue service, it will be reestablished only upon the basis of a new service application.

Abuse or fraudulent use includes but is not limited to:

- A. The use of service or facilities of the Company for any call intended to frighten, abuse, torment or harass;
- B. The use of profane or obscene language;
- C. Impersonation with intent to defraud;
- D. Interfering with the service of others in any way;
- E. Use for any purpose other than communicating;
- F. Transmitting a message or otherwise attempting to obtain service for oneself or others so as to avoid payment of service charges.
- G. Unauthorized rearranging, tampering with or making connections to any service(s) provided in this tariff.

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2.4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CUSTOMER

2.4.1. General

The Customer's general responsibilities are described in this section. When Customer equipment or a Customer-provided communications system is connected, the Customer assumes additional responsibilities that are described in the "Connections" section of this tariff (see 2.7. of this tariff).

A. Payment of Bills and Compliance with Regulations

The Customer is responsible for placing any necessary orders and complying with tariff regulations for service(s) and for assuring that its users comply with tariff regulations. The Customer is also responsible for the payment of bills. This includes payment for service calls or services originated or received at the Customer's numbers(s).

B. Establishing Identity

1. The calling party is responsible for establishing its identity as often as necessary during the course of a call.
2. The calling party assumes full responsibility for identifying the station, party, or person with whom connection is made at the called number or numbers.

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2.5. PAYMENTS AND CHARGES

2.5.1 Rates and Charges

Rates and charges as added, changed or deleted from this tariff are effective on or as soon after the tariff effective date as practicable, when billing capability exists in each billing Company's service area. The Company will furnish the PUCO a new tariff sheet reflecting changed rates and charges.

2.5.2. Application of Charges

The rates and charges that are in effect in this tariff when service(s) are furnished are the rates and charges used to determine the Customer's bill.

2.5.3. Payments

A. The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for service and facilities, including charges for messages originated from or accepted at the Customer's station. All bills are due when rendered. Nonpayment of charges for service may result in the suspension or termination of any and all services furnished the Customer.

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2.5. PAYMENTS AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

2.5.3. Payments (Cont'd)

- B. If service is suspended for nonpayment, service will be restored upon receipt of payment of all charges due, which include charges for service and facilities during the period of suspension and which may include a Service Restoral Charge of \$15.00. If the Customer has a history of payments returned for insufficient funds, the Company may require payment by cash, money order or certified check. If such payment is made by personal check, restoral of service will be effected upon clearance of the check by the bank.
- C. The Company reserves the right to refuse service to any applicant who is found to be indebted to the Company for service previously furnished until satisfactory arrangements have been made for the payment of all such indebtedness. The Company may also refuse to furnish service to any applicant desiring to establish service for former subscribers of the Company who are indebted for previous service until satisfactory arrangements have been made for the payment of the prior indebtedness. If service is established and it is subsequently determined that either condition above exists, the Company may suspend or terminate such service until satisfactory arrangements have been made for the payment of the prior indebtedness.
- D. The Company reserves the right to require advance payments for service. The amount of advance payment is credited to the Customer's account and applies to any indebtedness under the contract.
- E. An administrative charge of \$15.00 is applied to the Customer's bill for each occasion that a check, bank draft, or electronic funds transfer is returned for the reason of insufficient funds or no account. When a Local Exchange Company provides the billing function on behalf of the Company, the Local Exchange Company's return check charge applies.
- F. The Customer may be required to make a deposit to be held as a guarantee for the payment of service charges. When service is terminated, the amount of the deposit will be applied to any indebtedness to the Company for service charges. A deposit may be refunded or credited to the Customer's account at any time prior to termination of the contract. In case of a cash deposit, simple interest at the annual rate of 6 percent will be paid for the period during which the deposit is held. The Company may accept a bond in lieu of deposit.

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2.5. PAYMENTS AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

2.5.3. Payments (Cont'd)

G. Initial Contract Period

An initial contract period applies to all services and facilities provided for a Customer. The initial contract period begins the day following the completion of the installation of service facilities. The initial contract period for all services and facilities is one month.

H. Termination Charges

Termination charges apply, in addition to all charges due for service, prior to expiration of the initial contract period when service is terminated by the Customer or by the Company for any reason under the provisions of this tariff as follows:

1. Contract Periods of Two Years or Less
The termination charge due for an initial contract period of two years or less is the unexpired portion of the initial contract period, except for service items for which a specific termination liability is stipulated in this tariff.
2. Contract Periods Over Two Years
The termination charge for an initial contract period longer than two years is an amount equal to fifty percent of the charges for the unexpired portion of the initial contract period, at the rate in effect at the time the service is discontinued, except for service items for which a termination liability is stipulated in this tariff.
3. Stipulated Termination Liability
For items of service for which a termination liability is included with the rates and charges sections of this tariff, the termination liability will be reduced by a proportionate amount for each month within the applicable contract period that the monthly rate has been collected.

Commission approval of the above termination liability language is not intended to indicate that the Commission has approved any terms or provisions contained therein. Signatories to such contracts shall be free to pursue whatever legal remedies they may have should a dispute arise.

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2.5 PAYMENTS AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

2.5.3. Payments (Cont'd)

4. Special Facilities

The termination charges for special facilities furnished at rates or charges based upon costs incurred apply as follows where the initial contract period is:

- One year or less, the termination charge is the charge due for the unexpired portion of the initial contract period.
- In excess of one year, the termination charge is the unrecovered portion of the expense incurred by the Company for the facilities, installation and removal, less the salvage value of the facilities removed. The unrecovered expense is determined by applying to the net incurred expense (after salvage) the ratio of the unexpired to the full initial contract period.

I. Conditions Under Which Termination Charges Do Not Apply

1. Assignment or Transfer of Service

Termination charges do not apply when the service is transferred to a new Customer without interruption of the service and the new Customer assumes all outstanding debt to the Company; or when the service is transferred without interruption to a receiver, trustee or other person appointed by a court or acting under law in bankruptcy, receivership, reorganization, insolvency, liquidation or other similar proceedings and the transferee assumes all outstanding debt to the Company.

2. Termination of Service in Disaster Cases

Termination charges do not apply to service which is terminated due to fire, flood or other disasters.

3. Withdrawal of Experimental Offerings

Termination charges do not apply to service which is terminated due to withdrawal by the Company of an experimental service.

J. Service Terminated After Expiration of Initial Contract Period

When service is terminated after the expiration of the initial contract period, the charges applicable are those due through the last full or partial day of service.

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2.5. PAYMENTS AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

2.5.4. Payphone Use Charge

In addition to all other charges for service under this tariff, a nondiscountable Payphone Use Charge of \$0.26 shall apply to each coinless call placed from a domestic payphone by or to the Customer to cover the cost incurred by the Company for the use of the payphone instrument to access services provided by the Company.

2.6. USE OF ANOTHER MEANS OF COMMUNICATIONS

2.6.1. General

If the Customer elects to use another means of communication during a period of interruption of service(s), the Customer must pay the charges for the alternative service used.

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2.7. CONNECTIONS

2.7.1. General

When Customer equipment is connected to the service(s) provided in the tariff, it must comply with Part 68 of the F.C.C.'s Rules and Regulations, 47 C.F.R. Part 68 (commonly known as the F.C.C.'s Registration Program). When any equipment or system which is not subject to Part 68 of the F.C.C.'s Rules and Regulations is connected, the Minimum Protection Criteria specified in this tariff must be met.

Service(s) are not represented as adapted for connection to other services or communications systems. They are designed, operated and maintained to provide satisfactory transmission only between a calling and a called station(s) equipped with suitable Customer premises equipment.

The Company is responsible for the quality of transmission from demarcation point to demarcation point. The Company is not responsible for the quality of transmission on the Customer's side of the demarcation point at a premises.

2.7.2. Responsibilities of the Customer

When Customer equipment or a Customer-provided communications system is connected, the Customer assumes responsibility for the connection as follows:

A. Compatibility

The Customer is responsible for the installation, operation and maintenance of any terminal equipment or communications system provided by themselves. No combination of terminal equipment or communications system shall require change in alteration of the services of the Company, cause electrical hazards of Company personnel or its agents, damage to Company equipment, malfunction of billing equipment, or degradation of service to persons other than the user of the subject terminal equipment or communications system, the calling or called party. Upon notice from the Company that the terminal equipment or communications system is causing such hazard, damage, malfunction or degradation of service, the Customer shall make such change, as shall be necessary to remove or prevent such hazard, damage, malfunction or degradation of service.

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2.7. CONNECTIONS (Cont'd)

2.7.2. Responsibilities of the Customer (Cont'd)

B. Interference and Hazard

The operating characteristics of the Customer equipment or Customer-provided communications system connected to the service(s) must not interfere with, or impair, any of the services offered by the Company. In addition, they must not endanger the safety of Company employees or the public, damage or interfere with the proper functioning of Company equipment, or otherwise injure the public in its use of service(s).

The Company will take immediate action to protect its service(s) or interests if this regulation is violated. See Termination of Service, 2.3.5.

C. Changes to Services

The Company is not obligated to alter or modify service(s) because of additions or changes to Customer equipment or a Customer-provided communications system.

D. Testing and Maintenance

If a trouble condition occurs on an assembly, the Customer must determine whether the fault is in (1) the connected Customer equipment or Customer-provided communications system, or (2) the service(s). The Company will test and maintain only the provided service(s).

The testing of the service(s) will usually be made from a Company office. A repair person will be dispatched to a Customer's premises only when the Company deems it necessary to complete its tests, or when a specific request for a dispatch is received. When a repair person is dispatched, a maintenance of service charge will apply if testing discloses that the service is functioning correctly.

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2.7. CONNECTIONS (Cont'd)

2.7.3. Responsibilities of the Company

A. General

The Company will furnish and maintain its service components in a manner suitable for providing service(s). The Company will make available information as required by Part 68 of the F.C.C.'s Rules and Regulations (e.g., the number of ringers that may be connected to a particular line). In addition, the Company will be responsible for the compatibility of its equipment or services when such equipment or services are connected to a central office.

B. Changes in Components, Operations, or Procedures

The Company is not responsible to any party if a change in service components, Minimum Protection Criteria, operations, or procedures, which is consistent with the Registration Program, affects any facilities, Customer equipment or Customer-provided communications systems provided by others in any way, or requires their modification in order to be used with the service(s). However, if such changes can be reasonably expected to materially affect the operating or transmission characteristics of the service(s) or render any Customer equipment or Customer-provided communications system incompatible with the services(s), the Company will make a reasonable effort to notify the Customer in writing of the proposed change. A reasonable interval will be allowed before the change is implemented to enable the Customer to maintain compatibility of the Customer equipment or communications system with the services.

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2.7. CONNECTIONS (Cont'd)

2.7.4. Connection to a Customer-provided Communications System or to Service(s) Provided by Others

Any system or service connected to a service offering must be operated and maintained so it will work satisfactorily. Connections will be made in accordance with the following:

- A. **Answer Supervision**
Answer supervision must be provided when a service offering is connected to switching equipment or a Customer-provided communications system which is not subject to Part 68 of the F.C.C. Rules and Regulations, 47 C.F.R., Part 68. In such cases, the equipment or system must provide answer supervision so that the measure of chargeable time begins upon the delivery of the service call to the switching equipment or to the equipment connected to the communications system and ends upon termination of the call by the calling party.
- B. **Minimum Protection Criteria**
The connection at the station used for service(s) must be made so that it continually complies with the specified Minimum Protection Criteria, 2.7.5. of this tariff.
- C. **Customer-provided Communications System Failures**
When a Customer-provided communications system fails and the connection to the service(s) is not through switching equipment, the Customer-provided communications system must be arranged to promptly return the service(s) to an idle (on-hook) state. In addition, the Customer must notify the Company when the Customer-provided communications systems fails.
- D. **Use of Satellite Facilities**
If a Customer-provided communications system uses satellite facilities (directly or indirectly), and is connected to the service(s), there may be two or more satellite links involved in the combined connection. In such cases, the Company will not be responsible for any deterioration in transmission. It will continue to furnish the service(s) using the service components that it considers to be appropriate. Credit allowance for impaired transmission resulting from such connection will not be granted.

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2.7. CONNECTIONS (Cont'd)

2.7.5. Minimum Protection Criteria

A. General

Minimum Protection Criteria have been specified so that Company personnel, equipment, and services will be protected from the harmful effects of signal power overload, hazardous voltage and longitudinal imbalance. Minimum Protection Criteria apply to the direct electrical, acoustic, or inductive connections of Customer equipment, test equipment and Customer-provided communications systems to the service(s).

B. All Connections

Customer equipment, test equipment and Customer-provided communications systems which are connected to the service(s) on a direct electrical basis or an acoustic or inductive basis, must comply with the following:

1. To protect other Company services, it is necessary that the signal which is applied at the station meets the following limits:

a. Metallic Voltage

- (1) 4 kHz to 270 kHz

Center Frequency (f) of 8 kHz Band	Max. Voltage in All 8 kHz Bands	Terminating Impedance
8 kHz to 12 kHz	- (6.4 + 12.6 log f) dBV*	300 ohms
12 kHz to 90 kHz	(23 - 40 log f) dBV	135 ohms
90 kHz to 266 kHz	- 55 dBV	135 ohms

*dBV = 20 log₁₀ voltage in volts

- (2) The root-mean-square (RMS) value of the metallic voltage components in the frequency range of 270 kHz to 6 MHz shall, averaged over 2 microseconds, not exceed -15 dBV. This limitation applies with a metallic termination having an impedance of 135 ohms.

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2.7. CONNECTIONS (Cont'd)

2.7.5. Minimum Protection Criteria (Cont'd)

B. All Connections (Cont'd)

b. Longitudinal Voltage

(1) 4 kHz to 270 kHz

Center Frequency (f) of 8 kHz Band	Max. Voltage in All 8 kHz Bands	Terminating Impedance
8 kHz to 12 kHz	- (18.4 + 20 log f) dBV*	500 ohms
12 kHz to 42 kHz	(3 - 40 log f) dBV	90 ohms
42 kHz to 266 kHz	- 62 dBV	90 ohms

*dBV = 20 log₁₀ voltage in volts

(2) The root-mean-square (RMS) value of the longitudinal voltage components in the frequency range of 270 kHz to 6 MHz shall, averaged over 2 microseconds, not exceed -30 dBV. This limitation applies with a longitudinal termination having an impedance of 90 ohms.

2. To prevent the interruption or disconnection of a service(s) call, it is necessary that the signal power applied at the station be limited. Specifically, the signal at the station shall at no time have energy concentrated solely in the 2450 to 2750 Hz band. If there is signal power at the station in the 2450 to 2750 Hz band, it must not exceed the power present at the same time in the 800 to 2450 Hz band.

C. Direct Electrical Connections

In addition to the regulations in 2.7.5.B. preceding, Customer equipment, test equipment and Customer-provided communications systems which are connected to service(s) on a direct electrical basis must comply with the following:

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2.7. CONNECTIONS (Cont'd)

2.7.5. Minimum Protection Criteria (Cont'd)

C. Direct Electrical Connections (Cont'd)

1. To prevent excessive noise and crosstalk, it is necessary that the power of the signal presented at the central office not exceed 12dB below one milliwatt when measured over any three second interval. To insure that this limit is not exceeded, the power of the signal which may be applied by the Customer equipment, test equipment or Customer-provided communications system to the station will be specified for each Customer location. In no case shall the power exceed one milliwatt.

D. Acoustic or Inductive Connections

In addition to the regulations in 2.7.5.B. preceding, Customer equipment and Customer-provided communications systems which are connected to service(s) on an acoustic or inductive basis must comply with the following:

1. To prevent excessive noise and crosstalk, it is necessary that the power of the signal which is applied by the equipment to the station located on the Customer's or user's premises be limited so that the signal power does not exceed 9dB below one milliwatt when averaged over any three second interval. However, to permit each Customer, independent of distance from the serving office, to supply signal power which at the serving office, approximates 12dB below one milliwatt when averaged over any three-second interval, the Company, at the Customer's request, will specify, for each Customer location, the signal power at the station, which shall in no case exceed one milliwatt.

2.7.6. Recording of Two-way Telephone Conversations

Service provided in this tariff is not represented as adapted to the recording of two-way telephone conversations. However, voice recording equipment which is directly, acoustically or inductively connected with service(s) may be used for the recording of such conversations subject to the following regulations which have been adopted by the F.C.C.:

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2.7. CONNECTIONS (Cont'd)

2.7.6. Recording of Two-Way Telephone Conversations (Cont'd)

A. Recording Requirements

The voice recording equipment must be arranged so that it can be connected or disconnected (or switched on or off) at the will of the Customer. In addition, one of the following conditions must apply:

1. all parties to the telephone conversation must give their prior consent to the recording of the conversation, and the prior consent must be obtained in writing or be part of, and obtained at the start of, the recording, or
2. a distinctive recorder tone, repeated at intervals of approximately fifteen seconds, is required to alert all parties when the recording equipment is in use. The distinctive recording tone can be provided as part of (1) the recording equipment, or (2) registered or grandfathered protective circuitry.

A broadcast licensee shall be exempt from the above recording requirements provided at least one of the following requirements is met:

- the licensee informs each party to the call of its intent to broadcast the conversation; or
- each party to the call is aware of the licensee's intent to broadcast the call; or
- such awareness of the licensee's intent to broadcast the call may be reasonably imputed to the party.

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2.7. CONNECTIONS (Cont'd)

2.7.6. Recording of Two-Way Telephone Conversations (Cont'd)

B. Exceptions

The F.C.C. established the following exceptions to the foregoing requirements:

1. Recordings made of incoming calls to telephone numbers publicized for emergencies involving health or safety of life and property (e.g., emergency situations involving fire, health care, police, public utilities and emergency road service) and outgoing calls made in immediate response to such calls. Included in this exception are:
 - a. recordings made at the United States Department of Defense Command Centers of emergency communications transmitted over the Department of Defense's private line system when connected to service(s).
 - b. recording made by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission of the Department of Energy with respect to the telephone systems located at its Operations Center
2. Recordings of calls made for patently unlawful purposes, such as bomb threats, kidnap ransom requests and obscene telephone calls. Outgoing calls made in immediate response to such calls are also excepted. Included in this exception are:
 - a. recordings made by the United States Secret Services of the Department of the Treasury for recording of two-way telephone conversations which concern the safety and security of the person of the President of the United States, members of his immediate family, or the White House and its grounds.
3. Recordings of calls made by Federal, State or local law enforcement authorities, or federal intelligence authorities, acting under color of law.

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2.8. RATE DETERMINATION

The rate for a service(s) call is determined by factors such as:

- the distance between the rate centers of the originating (calling) station and the terminating (called) station; and, under certain conditions the distance between the V&H coordinates of an AT&T central office and the rate center of the called station.
- the time-of-day and the day-of-week
- the duration of the call

The specific factors which apply to a given service(s) call and their application are listed in the rate section applicable to that type of call. The regulations pertaining to those factors are as follows:

2.8.1. Time-of-Day and Day-of-Week

The rate charged for a service(s) call may be determined in part by the day-of-week and the time-of-day at the originating (calling) station or at the central office associated with the originating (calling) station using special access. Different rates may be applicable to a call at different times of the day and on certain days of the week as specified in the appropriate rate section for that call.

2.8.2. Determining the Chargeable Time of a Call

The chargeable time for a service(s) call is determined by the duration of the call. Chargeable time includes the initial period plus the additional time involved, if any, and is determined as follows:

- A. On all calls, chargeable time begins when completed connection is established between the calling station and the called station.
- B. Chargeable time ends when the calling station "hangs up". If the called station "hangs up" but the calling station does not, chargeable time ends when the connection is released either by automatic timing equipment in the telecommunications network or by the Company operator.

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2.8. RATE DETERMINATION (Cont'd)

2.8.2. Determining the Chargeable Time of a Call (Cont'd)

- C. When services are directly connected to a Customer-provided communications system at a Customer's or user's premises, chargeable time begins when a service(s) call terminates in, or passes through, the first Customer equipment on that Customer-provided communications system. It is the Customer's responsibility to furnish appropriate answer supervision to the point of interface with the service(s) so that chargeable time may begin.

2.8.3. Determining the Applicable Rate In Effect

- A. Except for service(s) calls that use a special access line, when the call is established in one rate period and ends in another rate period, the rate in effect at the calling station for each rate period applies to the portion of the call occurring within that rate period. When a calling station uses a special access line, the rate in effect at the AT&T central office for each rate period applies to the portion of the call occurring within that rate period. When a unit of time is split between two rate periods, the rate applicable to that unit of time is based on the rate period in which it began.
- B. Chargeable time for a rate period (e.g., 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.) begins with the first stated hour (e.g., 8:00 A.M.) and continues to, but does not include, the second stated hour (e.g., 5:00 P.M.).

2.8.4. Resale and Sharing

The Company will not be responsible for the manner in which the use of service(s) or charges are allocated to others by a Customer who resells or shares service. All applicable rates and charges for service(s) will be billed to the Customer.

Service orders will be accepted from the Customer. The Company will respond to repair and maintenance requests from others and, in such circumstances, the Customer is responsible for any maintenance of service charge that may be billed by the Company.

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INTEREXCHANGE RESELLERS SERVICES**SECTION 2 - GENERAL REGULATIONS****2.9. VIOLATION OF REGULATIONS****2.9.1. General**

Where any terminal equipment or communications system is used with service(s) furnished by the Company and any of the Connections provisions are violated (Section 2.7.), the Company will take such immediate action as appropriate for the protection of its facilities and will promptly notify the Customer of the violation. The Customer shall discontinue such use of the equipment or system or correct the violation and shall confirm in writing to the Company within ten days, following the receipt of written notice from the Company, that such use has ceased or that the violation has been corrected. Failure of the Customer to discontinue such use or to correct the violation and to give the required written confirmation to the Company within the time stated preceding shall result in cancellation of the Customer's service until such time as the Customer complies with the provisions of this Tariff.

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2.10. CONTRACTS

AT&T may offer services under special contract service arrangements on an Individual Case Basis (ICB).

2.11. PROMOTIONAL OFFERINGS

From time to time, BTCS will introduce promotional offerings, designed to attract new Customers, or to increase exiting Customer awareness of BTCS services. Requests for promotional offerings will be presented to the PUCO for its review, in accordance with rules and regulations established by the PUCO.

2.12. STATE SALES TAX

Certain telecommunication services, as defined in the Ohio Revised Code, are subject to state sales tax at the prevailing tax rates, if the services originate or terminate in Ohio, or both, and are charged to a subscriber's number or account in Ohio.

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2.13. DEFINITIONS

Access Line - A transmission path that connects a Customer premises to an AT&T central office.

AT&T Central Office - The physical point of access for a service to the AT&T interoffice network.

Building - A structure consisting of an enclosed area surrounded by outside walls and under one continuous roof.

Call - A completed connection established between a calling station and one or more called stations.

Called Station - the station (e.g. telephone number) called, or the terminating point of a call.

Calling Station - the station from which a call is originated.

Commission - Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO).

Company - BT Communications Sales LLC ("BTCS").

Connection - A communications channel over which voice, data and other electronic signals can be transmitted by the Customer or User.

Customer - The individual, firm partnership contracting for service and responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with the regulations of the Company.

Customer Premises - The Customer's or User's place(s) of business or other location for the origination and termination of service.

Demarcation Point - The electrical terminus of service. It provides a physical interface to the service in terms of design, installation and testing.

F.C.C. - Federal Communications Commission.

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2.13. DEFINITIONS (Cont'd)

Interface - the electrical and physical means by which a connection is made at the station.

Local Access and Transport Area (LATA) - A geographic area established by a Local Exchange Carrier which delimits its operational area.

Off-Network Call - A call between a station on a service(s) and a station which is not associated with service(s).

On-Network Call - A call between stations on service(s).

Premises - A building or portion of a building occupied by a Customer.

Rate Center - A specified geographical location used for determining mileage measurements.

Registered - A term which means compliance with and approval within the Registration Program.

Registration Program - Part 68 of the FCC's Rules and Regulations which permits Customer equipment to be directly connected to service(s) and certain circuits without the requirement for protective circuitry.

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2.13. DEFINITIONS (Cont'd)

Station - A point on a Customer's or user's premises at which a service is terminated.

Special Construction - Installation, procurement or deployment of facilities at the Customer's request not normally used by the Company to provide service.

User - A person, firm corporation or any other entity that uses the service furnished to the Customer.

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SECTION 3 - BT SOFTWARE DEFINED NETWORK (SDN) SERVICE

3.1. GENERAL

3.1.1 Description

BT Software Defined Network (SDN) Service is a custom switched telecommunications service which permits a Customer to establish a communications path between two stations by using uniform dialing plans. Customer's stations are connected by access lines to designated AT&T central offices. Intrastate BT Software Defined Network Service is an add-on to interstate BT Software Defined Network Service. All terms and conditions are in accordance with AT&T Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 (or its detariffed equivalent), and as specified in the Rates, Terms and Conditions at www.btna.com, including service establishment charges, features and functions, monthly charges and any charges other than intrastate usage charges are incorporated here by reference and shall apply to intrastate SDN Service.

3.1.2. Regulations

See Section 2 of this tariff.

3.1.3 Definitions

See Section 2, Paragraph 2.13. of this tariff.

3.2. RATES AND CHARGES

3.2.1 General

BT Software Defined Network Service charges are recurring usage charges applying to all completed calls.

A. Time-of-Day and Day-of-Week

The rate schedules shown in 3.2.2. apply as follows:

Day - From 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.*,

Monday through Friday; Rate Period 1.

Evening - From 5:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.*, Monday through Friday and Sunday;
Rate Period 2.

Night - From 11:00 P.M. to 8:00 A.M.*, every day;

from 8:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M.* on Saturday and from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.*
on Sunday; Rate Period 3.

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SECTION 3 - BT SOFTWARE DEFINED NETWORK (SDN) SERVICE

3.2. RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

3.2.1 General (Cont'd)

B. Directory Assistance

Directory Assistance service allows Customers subscribing to outbound services to request information from Directory Assistance records.

Directory Assistance charges apply to all requests. Customers are charged when they obtain the requested information or when the information is unlisted, non-published, or no record can be found. Customers are allowed a maximum of two requests for information per call.

Directory Assistance Charge

Per call	\$1.99
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SECTION 3 - BT SOFTWARE DEFINED NETWORK (SDN) SERVICE

3.2. RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

3.2.2. Rates

A. Schedule A

This schedule applies to calls between two on-network stations which use local exchange service access or between an on-network station which uses a local exchange service access and an off-network station or between two off-network stations in the State of Ohio.

	<u>Initial 18 Seconds or Fraction</u>			<u>Each Additional 6 Seconds or Fraction</u>		
	<u>Day</u>	<u>Evening</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Evening</u>	<u>Night</u>
InterLATA						
	\$0.0510	\$0.0453	\$0.0453	\$0.0170	\$0.0151	\$0.0151
IntraLATA						
	\$0.0510	\$0.0453	\$0.0453	\$0.0170	\$0.0151	\$0.0151

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3.2. RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

3.2.2. Rates (Cont'd)

B. Schedule B

This schedule applies to calls between an on-network station which uses special access and either an on-network station that uses local exchange service access or an off-network station in the State of Ohio. The rate for a call between stations whose access lines are associated with the same central office is the zero mileage rate.

	Initial 18 Seconds or Fraction			Each Additional 6 Seconds or Fraction		
	<u>Day</u>	<u>Evening</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Evening</u>	<u>Night</u>
InterLATA						
	.0378	.0321	.0321	.0126	.0107	.0107
IntraLATA						
	.0378	.0321	.0321	.0126	.0107	.0107

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SECTION 3 - BT SOFTWARE DEFINED NETWORK (SDN) SERVICE

3.2. RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

3.2.2. Rates (Cont'd)

C. Schedule C

This schedule applies to calls between two on-network stations which use special access lines in the State of Ohio.

	Initial 18 Seconds or Fraction			Each Additional 6 Seconds or Fraction		
	<u>Day</u>	<u>Evening</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Evening</u>	<u>Night</u>
InterLATA						
	.0195	.0138	.0138	.0065	.0046	.0046
IntraLATA						
	.0195	.0138	.0138	.0065	.0046	.0046

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SECTION 4 - BT MEGACOM® 800 SERVICE

4.1. GENERAL

4.1.1 Description

BT MEGACOM 800 Service is a custom switched telecommunications service which permits inward 800 number calling from stations located in the State of Ohio to a MEGACOM 800 Service central office located in the Customer's Home NPA. Intrastate BT MEGACOM 800 Service is an add-on to interstate BT MEGACOM 800 Service and is available only to Customers who subscribe to the interstate service. All terms and conditions are in accordance with AT&T Tariff F.C.C. No. 2 (or its detariffed equivalent), and as specified in the Rates, Terms and Conditions at www.btna.com, including installation and monthly charges, features and functions, and any other charges except intrastate usage charges, are incorporated here by reference and shall apply to intrastate BT MEGACOM 800 Service. Customers may subscribe to the basic service which includes the entire state or to Customer selected NPA(s) within the state. Calls from points outside the Customer selected NPA(s) will be blocked.

4.1.2. Regulations

See Section 2 of this tariff.

4.2. RATES AND CHARGES

4.2.1 General

The applicable rate period is determined by the day and time at the MEGACOM 800 Service station. When a connection between a calling station and the MEGACOM 800 Service station is established in one rate period and ends in another rate period, the rate in effect for each rate period applies to the portion of the call occurring within that rate period.

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SECTION 4 - BT MEGACOM® 800 SERVICE

4.2. RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd.)

4.2.1. General (Cont'd.)

A. Rate Determination

Rate Period Table

	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
8:00 a.m. to *5:00 p.m.	DAY RATE PERIOD						
5:00 p.m. to *11:00 p.m.	EVENING RATE PERIOD						EVE
11:00 p.m. to *8:00 a.m.	NIGHT & WEEKEND RATE PERIOD						

* to, but not including

4.2.2. MEGACOM 800 Service Options

A. Basic Service

Basic service consists of the entire state, all service areas and all NPAs.

B. Customer Selected NPA

Customer selected NPAs allow a Customer to select specific NPAs from which calls to BT MEGACOM 800 Service will be allowed. For example, a customer in Home NPA 216 may elect to receive calls from NPA 419 only.

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SECTION 4 - BT MEGACOM® 800 SERVICE

4.2.2. MEGACOM 800 Service Options (Cont'd)

C. BT Toll Free Multimedia Service

BT Toll Free Multimedia Service is a feature that allows a BT MEGACOM 800 Service Customer to include, on a call-by-call basis, voice and digital (at speeds of 56 kbps where available) on one 800 number.

4.2.3 Usage Rates

BT MEGACOM 800 Service

Per Hour of Use

<u>Day</u>	<u>Evening</u>	<u>Night/ Weekend</u>
\$9.46	\$8.83	\$7.33

BT Toll Free Multimedia Service

Per Hour of Use

<u>Day</u>	<u>Evening</u>	<u>Night/ Weekend</u>
\$10.44	\$10.44	\$10.44

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INTEREXCHANGE RESELLERS SERVICES

SECTION 5 - BT 800 READYLINE® SERVICE

5.1. GENERAL

5.1.1 Description

BT 800 READYLINE Service is a custom switched telecommunications service which permits inward 800 number calling from stations located in the State of Ohio to a Customer's station within the state. Intrastate BT 800 READYLINE Service is an add-on to interstate BT 800 READYLINE Service and is available only to Customers who subscribe to the interstate service. All terms and conditions are in accordance with AT&T Tariff F.C.C. No. 2 (or its detariffed equivalent), and as specified in the Rates, Terms and Conditions at www.btna.com, including installation and monthly charges, features and functions, and any other charges except intrastate usage charges, are incorporated here by reference and shall apply to intrastate BT 800 READYLINE Service.

5.1.2. Regulations

See Section 2 of this tariff.

5.2. RATES AND CHARGES

5.2.1. General

The rates for BT 800 READYLINE Service are usage-based. Usage charges are billed in arrears. Usage is billed per BT 800 READYLINE telephone number and is calculated on a per call basis. Individual calls will be measured based on a minimum initial period of 30 seconds and additional 1 second increments, rounded to the next highest second or full increment.

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SECTION 5 - BT 800 READYLINE® SERVICE

5.2. RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd.)

5.2.1. General (Cont'd.)

A. Rate Determination

Rate Period Table

	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
8:00 a.m. to *5:00 p.m.	DAY RATE PERIOD						
5:00 p.m. to *11:00 p.m.	EVENING RATE PERIOD						EVE
11:00 p.m. to *8:00 a.m.	NIGHT & WEEKEND RATE PERIOD						

* to, but not including

5.2.2 Usage Rates

	<u>Per Hour of Use</u>		
	<u>Day</u>	<u>Evening</u>	<u>Night/ Weekend</u>
	\$13.50	\$13.50	\$13.50

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SECTION 5 - BT 800 READYLINE® SERVICE

5.2. RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd.)

5.2.3. 800 READYLINE Options

A. Customer Selected NPA

Customer selected NPAs allow a Customer to select specific NPAs from which calls to BT 800 READYLINE will be allowed. For example, a Customer in Home NPA 216 may elect to receive calls from NPA 419 only.

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