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APPLYING TO INTRASTATE ACCESS SERVICES
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CONCURRING CARRIERS

None

CONNECTING CARRIERS

None

OTHER PARTICIPATING CARRIERS

None

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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

- (C) Indicates Changed Regulation
- (D) Indicates Discontinued Rate or Regulation
- (I) Indicates Rate Increase
- (M) Indicates Move in Location of Text
- (N) Indicates New Rate or Regulation
- (R) Indicates Rate Reduction
- (T) Indicates Change of Text Only

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- B. **Page Revision Numbers** - Revision numbers also appear in the upper right corner of each page. These numbers are used to determine the most current page version on file with the Commission. For example, the 4th revised Page 14 cancels the 3rd revised Page 14.
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SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS

ACCESS CODE - Denotes a uniform code assigned by the Company to an individual Customer. The code has the form 10XXX, 10XXXXX, 950-0XXX, or 950-1XXX.

ACCESS MINUTES - Denotes that usage of exchange facilities in intrastate service for the purpose of calculating chargeable usage.

ACCESS TANDEM - A switching system that provides a traffic concentration and distribution function for originating or terminating traffic between end offices and a Customer's premises.

ANSWER SUPERVISION - The transmission of the switch trunk equipment supervisory signal (off-hook or on-hook) to the Customer's point of termination as an indication that the called party has answered or disconnected.

CALL - A Customer attempt for which the complete address code is provided to the service end office.

CARRIER OR COMMON CARRIER - Any individual, partnership, association, corporation or other entity engaged in intrastate communication for hire by wire or radio between two or more exchanges.

CENTRAL OFFICE - A local Company switching system where exchange service customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks.

CFR: Code of Federal Regulations

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CHANNEL - A communications path between two or more points of termination.

COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM - Denotes channels and other facilities, which are capable of communications between terminal equipment provided by other than the Company.

COMMISSION or PUCO – Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

COMPANY or ONVOY – Onvoy, Inc. d/b/a Onvoy Voice Services

SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS (CONT'D)

CUSTOMER - Any individual, partnership, association, corporation or other entity, which subscribes to the services offered under this tariff, including Interexchange Carriers.

CUSTOMER DESIGNATED PREMISES - The premises specified by the Customer for termination of Access Services.

DUAL TONE MULTIFREQUENCY (DTMF) - Tone signaling, also known as touch tone signaling.

END OFFICE SWITCH - A Company switching system where exchange service customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks.

END USER - Any customer of an intrastate telecommunications service that is not a Carrier or Common Carrier, except that a Carrier shall be deemed to be an End User when such Carrier uses a telecommunications service for administrative purposes. A person or entity that offers telecommunications service exclusively as a reseller shall be deemed to be an End User if all resale transmissions offered by such reseller originate on the premises of such reseller when making such service available to others, directly or indirectly.

ENTRY SWITCH - First point of switching.

EXCHANGE - A group of lines in a unit generally smaller than a LATA established by the Company for the administration of communications service in a specified area. An Exchange may consist of one or more central offices together with the associated facilities used in furnishing communications service within that area.

FACILITIES - Denotes any cable, poles, conduit, carrier equipment, wire center distribution frames, central office switching equipment, etc., utilized to provide the service offered under this tariff.

FIRST POINT OF SWITCHING - The first Company location at which switching occurs on the terminating path of a call proceeding from the Customer premises to the terminating end office and, at the same time, the last Company location at which switching occurs on the originating path of a call proceeding from the originating end office to the Customer premises.

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SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS (CONT'D)

INTERSTATE COMMUNICATIONS - Any communications that crosses over a state boundary. Interstate Communications includes interstate and international communications.

INTRASTATE COMMUNICATIONS - Any communication, which originates and terminates within the same state and is subject to oversight by a state regulatory commission as provided by the laws of the state involved.

LOCAL ACCESS AND TRANSPORT AREA (LATA) - A geographic area established for the provision and administration of communications service. A LATA encompasses designated exchanges, which are grouped to serve common social, economic and other purposes.

LOCAL CALLING AREA - A geographical area, as defined in the Company's local or general exchange service tariff in which an End User may complete a call without incurring toll usage charges.

MESSAGE - A Message is a Call as defined above.

OFF-HOOK - The active condition of Switched Access Service or a telephone exchange line.

ON-HOOK - The idle condition of Switched Access Service or a telephone exchange line.

ORIGINATING DIRECTION - The use of Switched Access Service for the origination of calls from an End User premises to a carrier's premises.

POINT OF TERMINATION - The point of demarcation within a customer-designated premises at which the Company's responsibility for the provision of access service ends. The point of demarcation is the point of interconnection between Company communications facilities and customer-provided facilities as defined in Part 68 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations.

PREMISES - A building or buildings on contiguous property, not separated by a public highway or right-of-way.

SERVING WIRE CENTER - The wire center from which the Customer-designated premises normally obtains dial tone from the Company.

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SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS (CONT'D)

SPECIAL ACCESS CIRCUIT - The physical pathway for transmission of information between a dedicated originating point and a dedicated terminating point.

TERMINATING DIRECTION - The use of Switched Access Service for the completion of calls from a carrier's premises to an End User premises.

TRANSMISSION PATH - An electrical path capable of transmitting signals within the range of the service offering. A transmission path is comprised of physical or derived facilities consisting of any form or configuration of plant used in the telecommunications industry.

TRUNK - A communications path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

TRUNK GROUP - 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.

VOIP-PSTN TRAFFIC - VoIP-PSTN Traffic is traffic exchanged between the Company and the Customer in Time Division Multiplexing (TDM) format that originates and/or terminates in Internet Protocol (IP) format.

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WIRE CENTER - A physical location in which one or more central offices, used for the provision of exchange services, are located.

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SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS

2.1 UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY

The Company shall be responsible only for the installation, operation and maintenance of service which it provides and does not undertake to transmit messages under this tariff.

Services provided under this tariff are provided 24 hours a day, seven days per week, unless otherwise specified in applicable sections of this tariff.

2.1.1 Liability of the Company

In view of the fact that the customer has exclusive control over the use of service and facilities furnished by the Company, and because certain errors incident to the services and to the use of such facilities of the Company are unavoidable, services and facilities are furnished by the Company subject to the terms, conditions and limitations herein specified:

2.1.1.1 The Company's damages arising out of its negligent acts, or mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or defects during the course of furnishing service, shall in no event exceed an amount equivalent to Onvoy's charges for service during the period affected by such negligence, or in which such mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or defects occurred. Any mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or defects that are caused by or materially contributed to by the negligence or willful acts of Customer, or that arise from facilities or equipment used by Customer and not provided by Onvoy, shall not result in the imposition of any liability upon Onvoy.

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SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

2.1 UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY (CONT'D)

2.1.1 Liability of the Company (Cont'd)

2.1.1.2 Customer shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Company, its officers and directors, employees, and agents from and against any and all lawsuits, claims, demands, penalties, losses, fines, liabilities, damages, and expenses of any kind and nature (including, without limitation, liability to third parties for personal injury or death and for loss or damage to property, and loss or damage to Company property, and injury to Company employees), without limitation whatsoever, that in any way arise out of or result from Customer's operations, installation or maintenance of equipment and facilities, or performance under this tariff, or that arises out of or in any way is connected with Customer's provision of service to its end users, or any use or attempted use by Customer or any such end user of services provided by the Company hereunder; provided that this section shall not apply to the extent that any injury, loss, or damage is caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Company.

2.1.1.3 The Company will not be liable for any act, omission to act, negligence, or defect in the quality of service of any underlying carrier or other service provider whose facilities or services are used in furnishing any portion of the service received by Customer. Onvoy will not be liable for any failure of performance that is caused by or the result of any act or omission by Customer or any entity other than Onvoy, that furnishes services, facilities, or equipment used in connection with Onvoy's services or facilities.

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SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

2.1 UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY (CONT'D)

2.1.1 Liability of the Company (Cont'd)

2.1.1.4 EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS TARIFF, ONVOY MAKES NO EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED REPRESENTATIONS, OR WARRANTIES, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTIES REGARDING MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

2.1.1.5 IN NO EVENT SHALL ONVOY BE LIABLE TO CUSTOMER FOR SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES (INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, LOST PROFITS OR REVENUE).

2.1.1.6 Approval of limitation of liability language by the Commission 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 its is a court's responsibility to adjudicate negligence and consequential damage claims, it is also the court's responsibility to determine the validity of the exculpatory clauses.

2.1.2 Limitation of Liability

2.1.2.1 Nothing in this tariff shall be construed to limit the Company's liability in cases of gross negligence or willful misconduct.

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SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

2.1 UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY (CONT'D)

2.1.3 Force Majeure

2.1.3.1 Neither Party shall be responsible for delays or failures in performance, except for the obligation to make payments required under this tariff, resulting from acts or occurrences in the nature of force majeure such as fire, explosion, war, or civil commotion; any law, order, regulation, or ordinance of any government or legal body; strikes; or delays caused by the other Party. In such event, the Party affected shall, upon giving prompt notice to the other, be excused from such performance to the extent of such interference. The affected Party shall use its reasonable efforts to avoid or remove the cause of non-performance and both Parties shall proceed to perform with dispatch once the causes are removed or cease.

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SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

2.2 ALLOWANCES FOR INTERRUPTIONS IN SERVICE

- 2.2.1 Credit for failure of service or equipment will be allowed only when failure is caused by or occurs in equipment owned, provided, or billed for, by the Company.
- 2.2.2 The following allowances are provided for interruptions in service, as specified for particular services furnished solely by the Company:

The Company shall allow for interruptions in exchange telephone service of 24 hours or more not due to conduct of Customer an amount equal to the fixed monthly charges for exchange service multiplied by the ratio of the days of interruption to thirty days. When interruptions continue beyond 24 hours, credit allowance will be given in successive 24-hour multiples.

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SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

2.3 USE OF FACILITIES AND SERVICE

2.3.1 Use of Service

- A. Any service provided under this Tariff may be resold to or shared (jointly used) with other persons at the Customer's option. The Customer remains solely responsible for all use of service ordered by it or billed to its account(s) pursuant to this Tariff, for determining who is authorized to use its service, and for promptly notifying the Company of any unauthorized use. The Customer may advise its customers that a portion of its service is provided by the Company, but the Customer shall not represent that the Company jointly participates with the Customer in the provision of the service.
1. Service may be used for any lawful purpose by the Customer or by any End User.
 2. The Customer obtains no property right or interest in the use of any specific type of facility, service, equipment, number, process, or code. All right, title and interest to such items remain, at all times, solely with the Company.
 3. Recording of telephone conversations of service provided by the Company under this tariff is prohibited except as authorized by applicable federal, state and local laws.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

2.3 USE OF FACILITIES AND SERVICE (Cont'd)

2.3.2 Limitations

- E. Service is offered subject to the availability of the necessary facilities and/or equipment and subject to the provisions of this tariff. The Company may decline applications for service to or from a location where the necessary facilities or equipment are not available. The Company may discontinue furnishing service in accordance with the terms of this tariff.
- F. The Company reserves the right to discontinue or limit service when necessitated by conditions beyond its control (examples of these conditions are more fully set forth previously in Section 2.1.3 of this tariff), or when service is used in violation of provisions of this tariff or the law.
- G. The Company does not undertake to transmit messages, but offers the use of its service when available, and, as more fully set forth previously in Section 2.1.3 of this tariff, shall not be liable for errors in transmission or for failure to establish connections.
- H. The Company reserves the right to discontinue service, limit service, or to impose requirements as required to meet changing regulatory or statutory rules and standards, or when such rules and standards have an adverse material affect on the business or economic feasibility of providing service, as determined by the Company in its reasonable judgment.
- I. The Company reserves the right to refuse an application for service made by a present or former Customer who is indebted to the Company for service previously rendered pursuant to this Tariff until the indebtedness is satisfied.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

2.3 USE OF FACILITIES AND SERVICE (Cont'd)

2.3.4 Use and Ownership of Equipment

The Company's equipment, apparatus, channels and lines shall be carefully used. Equipment furnished by the Company shall remain its property and shall be returned to the Company whenever requested, within a reasonable period following the request, in good condition (subject to reasonable wear and tear). The Customer is required to reimburse the Company for any loss of, or damage to, the facilities or equipment on the Customer's premises, including loss or damage caused by agents, employees or independent contractors of the Customer through any negligence.

2.4 MINIMUM PERIOD OF SERVICE

The minimum period for which services are provided and for which rates and charges are applicable is one month unless otherwise specified. When a service is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, charges are applicable, whether the service is used or not.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

2.5 PAYMENT FOR SERVICE RENDERED

- 2.5.1 Onvoy will bill Customer monthly, with recurring charges being billed in advance and any usage charges billed in arrears. Payment is due upon receipt by Customer and payable within twenty-two (22) days of the Bill Date (the "Due Date").
- 2.5.2 Payments are past due if not received by the Company by the Due Date. Any amounts past due will be subject to a late payment charge accruing at the rate of 1-1/2% per month until paid. In addition, bills not paid within thirty (30) days of the Bill Date and which have not been disputed in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 2.7 of this tariff, may result in suspension of access privileges to Onvoy's collocate facility if Customer is collocated until the full amount of the bill is paid. Bills not paid within forty (40) days of the Bill Date and which have not been disputed in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 2.7.1 of this tariff, may result in suspension of service until the overdue payments and any additional charges that may be imposed to restore service have been paid. Failure of the Customer to pay all undisputed amounts by the Due Date is a material breach and a seven (7) day notice shall be required in order to terminate services hereunder for non-payment.
- 2.5.3 The customer is responsible for payment of all charges for service furnished to the customer. Charges based on actual usage during a month will be billed monthly in the month following the month in which the service was used. All fixed monthly and nonrecurring charges for services ordered will be billed monthly in advance.
- 2.5.4 The Company reserves the right to require from an applicant for service advance payments of fixed charges and nonrecurring charges. The advance payment will not exceed an amount equal to the nonrecurring charge(s) and one month's charges for the service or facility. In addition, where special construction is involved, the advance payment may also include an amount equal to the estimated nonrecurring charges for the special construction. The advance payment will be applied to any indebtedness for the service and facilities for which the advance payment is made on the customer's initial bill. Advanced payments for installation costs or special construction will be credited on the first bill in their entirety.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

2.6 CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS AND BILLING DISPUTES

2.6.1 In the event that Customer disputes any charges, Customer must submit a written claim describing the disputed amount. Customer shall submit all documentation as may reasonably be required to support the claim. Payment may be withheld for the amounts subject to a dispute submitted prior to the Due Date. All disputes and claims for refunds must be submitted to Onvoy within eighteen (18) months of the Bill Date unless the Customer provides documentation after that timeframe. If Customer does not submit a claim as stated above, Customer waives all rights to file a claim thereafter. Onvoy shall investigate and resolve all disputes within forty-five (45) days of receipt of the dispute.

If a dispute cannot be resolved with the company, a complaint may be filed with the Commission at 180 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

2.7 INSPECTION, TESTING AND ADJUSTMENT

- 2.7.1 The Company may, upon mutually agreed upon notice, make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine whether the terms and conditions of this tariff are being complied with in the installation, operation or maintenance of the Customer's or the Company's facilities or equipment. The Company may interrupt service at any time, without penalty or liability, due to the departure from any of these terms and conditions.
- 2.7.2 The Customer shall be responsible for making arrangements or obtaining permission for safe and reasonable access for Company employees or agents of the Company to enter the premises of the Customer or any joint user or customer of the Customer at any mutually agreed upon hour for the purpose of inspecting, repairing, testing or removing any part of the Company's facilities.
- 2.7.3 Upon mutually agreed upon notice, the facilities or equipment provided by the Company shall be made available to the Company for such tests and adjustments as may be necessary for their maintenance in a condition satisfactory to the Company. No interruption allowance shall be granted for the time during which such tests and adjustments are made, unless such interruption exceeds twenty-four hours in length and is requested by the Customer.

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2.8 OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER

2.8.1 Damages

The Customer shall reimburse the Company for damages to Company facilities utilized to provide services under this tariff caused by the negligence or willful act of the Customer, or resulting from improper use of the Company's facilities, or due to malfunction of any facilities or equipment provided by other than the Company, except that no Customer shall be liable for another Customer's actions.

2.8.2 Ownership of Facilities

Facilities utilized by the Company to provide service under the provisions of this tariff shall remain the property of the Company. Such facilities shall be returned to the Company by the Customer, whenever requested, within a reasonable period following the request in as good condition as reasonable wear permits.

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2.8 OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER (Cont'd)

2.8.3 Equipment Space and Power

The Customer shall furnish to the Company, at no charge, equipment space and electrical power required by the Company to provide services under this tariff at the points of termination of such services. The selection of AC or DC power shall be mutually agreed to by the Customer and the Company. The Customer shall make necessary arrangements in order that the Company will have access to such spaces at mutually agreed upon times for installation, testing, repair, maintenance or removal of Company service.

2.8.4 Testing

The services provided under this tariff shall be made available to the Company at mutually agreed upon times in order to permit the Company to test, adjust and maintain the services in satisfactory operating condition. No credit will be allowed for any interruption during such tests and adjustments.

2.8.5 Design of Customer Services

The Customer shall be responsible for its own expense for the overall design of its services and for any redesigning or rearrangements of its services which may be required because of changes in facilities, operations or procedures of the Company, minimum protection criteria or operating or maintenance characteristics of the facilities.

2.8.6 Network Contingency Coordination

The Customer shall, in cooperation with the Company, coordinate in planning the actions to be taken to maintain maximum network capability following natural or man-made disasters which affect telecommunications service.

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2.8 OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER (Cont'd)

2.8.7 Jurisdictional Reports

For Switched Access services, the Company will use the percentage of interstate originating feature group D to determine the percent of interstate usage to apply to all other switched access services provided by the Company to the Customer.

For Switched Access services for which the Company cannot determine the jurisdictional nature of Customer traffic and its related access minutes, the Company reserves the right to require the Customer to provide a projected estimate of its traffic, split between the interstate and intrastate jurisdictions. The Customer shall upon ordering service, and annually thereafter, report the percentage of interstate use and such report will be used for billing purposes until the Customer reports a different projected interstate percentage for a working trunk group. When the Customer adds trunks to or removes trunks from an existing group, the Customer shall furnish a revised projected interstate percentage that applies to the total trunk group. The revised report will serve as the basis for future billing and will be effective on the next bill date.

No pro-rating or back-billing will be done based on the report. The Company may require call detail records to substantiate projected interstate usage provided to the Company. In the event that the required jurisdictional report is not provided, the Company recorded or estimated percentage of interstate usage will be applied to the bill.

The Company may request this detailed information annually. If the audit results represent a substantial deviation from the Customer's previously reported PIU for the period upon which the audit was based, the call detail records may be requested more than once annually.

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2.8 OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER (Cont'd)

2.8.8 Mixed Interstate and Intrastate Access Service

When mixed interstate and intrastate Access Service is provided, all charges, including nonrecurring charges, usage charges, and optional features, will be prorated between interstate and intrastate. The percentage provided in the reports as set forth in 8.3.3.D will serve as the basis for prorating the charges. The percentage of an Access Service to be charged as intrastate is applied in the following manner:

- a. For nonrecurring chargeable rate elements, multiply the percent intrastate use times the quantity of chargeable elements times the state tariff rate per element.
- b. For usage sensitive chargeable rate elements, multiply the percent intrastate use times actual use (measure or Company assumed average use) times the stated rate.

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2.9 DETERMINATION OF MILEAGE

Service for which rates are mileage sensitive are rated on the airline distance between the Company's switch location and Customer-designated premises or the end office of the Customer-designated premises.

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2.10 Disconnection and Termination of Service

2.10.1 Disconnection of Service Without Notice

Onvoy shall have the right to refuse or discontinue telephone service or service arrangements without advance notice, if the acts of the Customer or the conditions upon their premises are such as to indicate an intent to defraud Onvoy or to use the Service for unlawful purposes.

Onvoy will attempt to contact the Customer by telephone prior to discontinuing the Service or portions thereof. If Onvoy is unable to contact the Customer by telephone, a letter will be mailed to the Customer on the same date that their service or service arrangement is discontinued, explaining the reasons for such action and the Customer's right to dispute such action.

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2.10 DISCONNECTION AND TERMINATION OF SERVICE (CONT'D)

2.10.2. Disconnection of Service Requiring Notice

Disconnection notices issued by the Company will inform the Customer facing service disconnection of the total amount which the Customer would need to pay in order to avoid disconnection of service. It must also inform the Customer of the Company's legal obligation to provide service to customers whose access service charges are paid, even while their toll service is disconnected for nonpayment of outstanding toll debt.

2.10.2.1 The Company may disconnect service for any of the following reasons, other than for non-payment, provided it has notified the customer of its intent, in writing, to disconnect service and has allowed the customer a reasonable time of not less than thirty (30) days in which to remove the cause for disconnection:

- A **Non-compliance with Regulations.** For violation of or non-compliance with Commission's rules and regulations or for violation of or non-compliance with the Company's tariffs on file with the Commission.
- B **Failure on Contractual Obligations.** For failure of the customer to fulfill his contractual obligations for service or facilities subject to regulation by the Commission.
- C **Failure to meet the utility's deposit and credit requirements.**
- D **For non-payment of a bill for service,** provided that the Company has made a reasonable attempt to effect collection and has given the customer written notice of its intent to deny service if settlement of his account is not made and provided the customer has at least seven (7) days notice, in which to make settlement before his service is denied.

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2.11 UNLAWFUL USE OF SERVICE

2.11.1 Service shall not be used for any purpose in violation of law.

2.11.2 Service shall not be used in any manner that interferes with other persons in the use of their service, prevents other persons from using their service, or otherwise impairs the quality of service to other customers. The Company may require a customer to immediately shut down its transmission of signals if said transmission is causing interference to others or impairing the service of others.

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SECTION 3 - SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE

3.1 GENERAL

Switched Access Service, which is available to Customers for their use in furnishing their services to End Users, provides a two-point electrical communications path between a Customer's premises and an End User's premises. It provides for the use of common terminating, switching and trunking facilities, and for the use of common subscriber plant of the Company. Switched Access Service provides for the ability to originate calls from an End User's premises to a Customer's premises in the LATA where it is provided. Feature Group D equal access services are available at all Company end offices.

The application of rates for Switched Access Service is described in Sections 3.5 and 3.6 following. Rates and charges for services other than Switched Access Service, e.g., a Customer interLATA toll message service, may also be applicable when Switched Access Service is used in conjunction with these other services.

3.2 RATE CATEGORIES

The following categories apply to Switched Access Service:

1. Local Switching
2. 8XX Data Base Query
3. Switched Transport

Definitions of Switched Access Service Rate Categories

3.2.1 Local Switching

- a. End Office Switching: End Office Switching provides for the use of End Office switching functions, i.e., the common switching functions associated with the various Switched Access Service arrangements. The End Office Switching rate is assessed on a per-MOU basis to all originating and terminating access minutes utilizing the end office.
- b. End Office Shared Port: The End Office Shared Port rate provides for the termination of common transport trunks in shared end office ports and in remote switching system ports. The End Office Shared Port rate is assessed on a per-MOU basis to all trunkside originating and terminating access minutes utilizing tandem routing to a Company end office. If tandem routing is being utilized to a remote switching system (via a host office), the End Office Shared Port rate is assessed to the access minutes originating or terminating from the remote switching system.

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3.2 RATE CATEGORIES (CONT'D)

3.2.2 8XX Data Base Query: When an 8XX + NXX + XXXX call is originated by an End User or delivered by a connecting carrier to the Onvoy network unqueried, the Company will perform Customer identification based on screening of the full ten-digits of the 8XX number to determine the Customer location to which the call is to be routed. A Basic Query Charge covers the identification of the toll carrier to whom the call should be delivered. A Vertical Query includes the Basic Query function plus such functions as call validation (ensuring that calls originate from subscriber service areas); POTS translation of 8XX series numbers; alternate POTS translation where End Users can vary the routing of the 8XX calls based on time of day, place, etc.; and multiple carrier routing.

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3.2 RATE CATEGORIES (CONT'D)

3.2.3 Switched Transport: The Switched Transport Rate Category provides for access tandem and transport service between local exchange carriers (LEC) and IXC Customers. The Switched Transport Rate Category is provided for originating (from LEC to IXC) and terminating (IXC to LEC) traffic. The Switched Transport Rate Category provided under this tariff covers the use of the Company's Access Tandem and Transport Facilities. In addition, it covers the switched transport between an End Office and a Company POI. The following rate elements comprise the Switched Transport Rate Category and are applied on a per-minute basis.

- a. Tandem Switching: Tandem Switching is a per-minute of use rate element assessed for utilizing tandem switching functions. The Company will provide originating and terminating tandem switching services for Company End Offices as well as for non-Company end offices which subtend the Company tandem. In addition to the tandem switching functions, the Tandem Switching rate element includes the transport from a Company POI to the Company access tandem.
- b. Tandem Switched Transport: Tandem Switched Transport is comprised of a Tandem Switched Transport Termination rate and a Tandem Switched Transport Facility rate. Both rate elements apply for the transmission facility between an End Office and the Company POI. This consists of circuits used in common by multiple Customers.

The Tandem Switched Transport Termination rate element covers the circuit equipment at the end of the transmission facilities. For Tandem Switched Transport Termination, the amount billed will be the product of the quantity of Access Minutes multiplied by the Tandem Switched Transport Termination rate. The Tandem Switched Transport Termination charge will be applied for each location where the Company provides termination.

The Tandem Switched Transport Facility rate element provides for the transmission facilities, including intermediate circuit equipment between an End Office and a Company POI or Access Tandem. For purposes of determining the per-mile rate, mileage will be measured as airline mileage using the V&H coordinates method.

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3.2 RATE CATEGORIES (CONT'D)

3.2.3 Switched Transport (Continued)

b. Tandem Switched Transport (Continued)

For Tandem Switched Transport Facility, the amount billed will be the multiplication product of:

- Airline miles between the end office and the POI or tandem
- By the Billing Percentage (BP) provided by the Company transport facility
- By the Quantity of Access Minutes
- By the Tandem Switched Transport Facility rate

The resulting amount is the Company's Tandem Switched Transport Facility charge. The Tandem Switched Transport Facility charge will be applied for all routes where the Company provides the Transport Facility between the POI or tandem and a subtending End Office where the call originates or terminates.

The mileage to be used to determine the Tandem Switched Transport Facility rates are calculated on the airline distance between the End Office switch where the call originates or terminates and the Company POI. The V&H coordinates method is used to determine mileage. This method is set forth in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. Tariff FCC No. 4 for Wire Center Information.

If the Company provides a portion of the transport mileage between the POI or Access Tandem and the End Office, to a Meet Point (MP) with another Exchange Carrier, the mileage to be used in the above charge is calculated on the airline distance between the Company POI and the Meet Point with the other Exchange Carrier. The interconnection Meet Points (MP) will be determined by the Exchange Carriers involved. The billing percentage (BP) factor for the Company for the service between the involved offices will be listed in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. Tariff FCC No. 4. Should any changes be made to the Meet Point billing with the Company arrangements as set forth, the Company will give affected Customers 30 days notice.

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3.3 OBLIGATIONS OF THE COMPANY

The Company has certain obligations pertaining only to the provision of Switched Access Service. These obligations are as follows:

3.3.1 Network Management

The Company will administer its network to provide acceptable service levels to all telecommunications users of the Company's network services. Generally, service levels are considered acceptable only when both End Users and Customers are able to establish connections with little or no delay encountered within the Company's network. The Company maintains the right to apply protective controls, i.e., those actions, such as call gapping, which selectively cancel the completion of any traffic carried over its network, including that associated with a Customer's Switched Access Service. Generally, such protective measures would only be taken as a result of occurrences such as a failure or overload of Company or customer facilities, natural disasters, mass calling or national security demands.

3.3.2 Design and Traffic Routing of Switched Access Service

The Company shall design and determine the routing of Switched Access Service, including the selection of the first point of switching and the selection of facilities from the interface to any switching point and to the end offices where busy hour minutes of capacity are ordered. The Company shall also decide if capacity is to be provided by originating only, terminating only, or two-way trunk groups. Finally, the Company will decide whether trunk side access will be provided through the use of two-wire or four-wire trunk terminating equipment. Selection of facilities and equipment and traffic routing of the service are based on standard engineering methods, available facilities and equipment and the Company's traffic routing plans. If the Customer desires different routing or directionality than that determined by the Company, the Company will work cooperatively with the Customer in determining (1) whether the service is to be routed directly to an end office or through an access tandem switch and (2) the directionality of the service.

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3.3 OBLIGATIONS OF THE COMPANY (Cont'd)

3.3.3 Provision of Service Performance Data

Subject to availability, end-to-end service performance data available to the Company through its own service evaluation routines, may also be made available to the Customer based on previously arranged intervals and format. The data provides information on overall end-to-end call completion and non-completion performance e.g., Customer equipment blockage, failure results and transmission performance. The data does not include service performance data which is provided under other tariff sections, e.g., testing service results. If data is to be provided in other than paper format, the charges for such exchange will be determined on an individual case basis.

3.3.4 Trunk Group Measurements Reports

Subject to availability, the Company will make available trunk group data in the form of usage in CCS, peg count and overflow to the Customer based on previously agreed to intervals.

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3.4 OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER

The Customer has certain specific obligations pertaining to the use of Switched Access Service. These obligations are as follows:

3.4.1 Report Requirements

Customers are responsible for providing the following reports to the Company, when applicable.

A. Jurisdictional Reports

When a Customer orders Switched Access Service for both interstate and intrastate use, the Customer is responsible for providing reports as set forth in Section 2.8.7 preceding. Charges will be apportioned in accordance with those reports.

B. Code Screening Reports

When a Customer orders service call routing, trunk access limitation or call gapping arrangements, it must report the number of trunks and/or the appropriate codes to be instituted in each end office or access tandem switch, for each of the arrangements ordered.

The Company will administer its network in such a manner that the impact of traffic surges due to peaked 900 Access Service traffic on other access service traffic is minimized. Network management controls as defined in Section 3.3.1 may be implemented at the Company option to ensure acceptable service levels

3.4.2 On and Off-Hook Supervision

The Customer facilities shall provide the necessary on and off-hook supervision for accurate timing of calls.

3.4.3 Trunk Group Measurements Reports

With the agreement of the Customer, trunk group data in the form of usage in CCS, peg count and overflow for its end of all access trunk groups, where technologically feasible, will be made available to the Company. The data will be used to monitor trunk group utilization and service performance and will be based on previously arranged intervals and format.

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3.5 RATE REGULATIONS

This section contains the specific regulations governing the rates and charges that apply for Switched Access Service.

Access Charges are applied on a per access minute basis. Access minute charges are accumulated over a monthly period.

3.5.1 Minimum Periods

Switched Access Service is provided for a minimum period of one month.

3.5.2 Cancellation of Access Service Order

A Customer may cancel an Access Order for the installation of service on any date prior to notification by the Company that service is available for the Customer's Use or prior to the service date, whichever is later. The cancellation date is the date the Company receives written or verbal notice from the Customer that the order is to be canceled. The verbal notice must be followed by written confirmation within 10 days. If a Customer or End User is unable to accept Access Service within 30 calendar days of the original service date, the Access Order will be canceled and applicable charges will apply.

Prior to Firm Order Confirmation Date

If an Access Order is canceled prior to the Firm Order Confirmation date, no charges will apply.

On or After Firm Order Confirmation Date

If an Access Order is canceled on or after the Firm Order Confirmation date, the Customer will be billed a flat cancellation fee, as provided in Section 9.1.1.D.

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SECTION 4 - SPECIAL ACCESS SERVICE

4.1 POINT-TO-POINT DEDICATED ACCESS SERVICE

4.1.1 Description

Onvoy's Local Point to Point service is designed for high-bandwidth voice, data, and video applications that demand the full-time availability of a dedicated service. This service uses Onvoy's local SONET rings to provide point-to-point dedicated connections between two of your locations or local access to an inter-exchange carrier (IXC) point of presence (POP) at bandwidths ranging from DS-1 to OC-192.

4.1.2 Service Ordering

This section sets forth the regulations for Access Service Requests (ASR) for Dedicated Transport Service, as defined in this tariff.

The Company reserves the right to require that services offered under this tariff be ordered using an ASR. The format and terms of the ASR will be as specified in the industry Access Service Order Guidelines, unless otherwise specified herein. A Customer may order any number of services of the same type and between the same premises on a single ASR. All details for services for a particular order must be identical.

The Customer shall provide all information necessary for the Company to provide and bill for the requested service. When placing an order for Access Service, the Customer shall provide the following minimum information:

- Customer name and Premises address (es);
- Billing name and address (when different from Customer name and address); and
- Customer contact name(s) and telephone number(s) for the following provisioning activities: order negotiation, order confirmation, interactive design, installation and billing.

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4.1 POINT-TO-POINT DEDICATED ACCESS SERVICE (Cont'd)

4.1.3 Access Service Date Intervals

Access Service is provided with one of the following Service Date intervals:

- Standard Interval
- Negotiated Interval

The Company will specify a FOC and the Service Commencement Date contingent on the ASR being complete as received. To the extent the Access Service can be made available with reasonable effort, the Company will provide the Access Service in accordance with the Customer's requested interval, subject to the following conditions:

A. Standard Interval

The Standard Interval for Switched Service will be 10 business days from the Application Date. This interval only applies to standard service offerings where there are pre-existing facilities to the Customer Premises. Access Services provided under the Standard Interval will be installed during Company business hours.

B. Negotiated Interval

The Company will negotiate a Service Date interval with the Customer when:

1. The Customer requests a Service Date before or beyond the applicable Standard Interval Service Date; or
2. There is no existing facility connecting the Customer Premises with the Company; or
3. The Customer requests a service that is not considered by the Company to be a standard service offering (for example, if Additional Engineering is required to complete the order); or

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4.1 POINT-TO-POINT DEDICATED ACCESS SERVICE (Cont'd)

4. The Company determines that Access Service cannot be installed within the Standard Interval.

The Company will offer a Service Date based on the type and quantity of Access Services the Customer has requested. The Negotiated Interval may not exceed by more than six months the Standard Interval Service Date, or, when there is no Standard Interval, the Company offered Service Date.

All services for which rates are applied on an Individual Case Basis are provided with a Negotiated Interval.

4.1.4 Access Service Request Modifications

The Customer may request a modification of its ASR prior to the Service Commencement Date. All modifications must be in writing using the industry ASR process. The Company will make every effort to accommodate a requested modification when it is able to do so with the normal work force assigned to complete such an order within normal business hours.

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4.2 SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION

4.2.1 General

Subject to the agreement of the Company and to all of the regulations contained in this tariff, special construction of Company Facilities may be undertaken by the Company on a reasonable-efforts basis at the request of the Customer. Special construction is that construction undertaken:

1. where facilities are not presently available, and there is no other requirement for the facilities so constructed; or
2. of a type other than that which the Company would normally utilize in the furnishing of its services; or
3. over a route other than that which the Company would normally utilize in the furnishing of its services; or
4. in a quantity greater than that which the Company would normally construct; or
5. on an expedited basis; or
6. on a temporary basis until permanent facilities are available; or
7. involving abnormal costs; or
8. in advance of its normal construction; or
9. when the Company furnishes a facility or service for which a rate or charge is not specified in the Company's tariff.

4.2.2 Customer Acceptance

Rates and charges for special construction shall be determined and presented to the Customer for its approval prior to the start of construction. No construction will commence until and unless the Customer accepts in writing the rates and charges as presented by the Company.

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4.3 BASIS OF RATES AND CHARGES

Rates and charges shall be based on the costs incurred by the Company and may include any one or any combination of the following:

- A. Nonrecurring Charges;
- B. Recurring Monthly Rates; and/or
- C. Termination Liabilities.

4.3.1 Cost Computation

Special Construction costs may include one or more of the following items to the extent that they are applicable:

4.3.1.1 The installed cost of the facilities to be provided including estimated costs for the rearrangements of existing facilities. The installed cost includes but may not be limited to the cost of:

- 1. equipment and materials provided or used;
- 2. engineering, labor and supervision;
- 3. transportation;
- 4. rights of way; and shipping and delivery.

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4.4 OBLIGATIONS OF THE COMPANY

The Company has certain obligations pertaining only to the provision of Dedicated Transport Service. These obligations are as follows:

4.4.1 Network Management

The Company will administer its network to ensure that provision of acceptable service levels to all telecommunications users of the Company's network services. Generally, such protective measures would only be taken as a result of occurrences such as a failure or overload of Company or Customer facilities, natural disasters, mass calling or national security demands.

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4.4 OBLIGATIONS OF THE COMPANY (Cont'd)

4.4.2 Design of Point-to-Point Dedicated Access Service

The Company shall design and determine the routing of Point-to-Point Dedicated Access Service.

Selection of facilities and equipment in connection with providing the service are based on standard engineering methods, available facilities and equipment and the Company's traffic routing plans.

If the Customer desires different routing or directionality than that determined by the Company, the Company will work cooperatively with the Customer in determining (1) whether the service is to be routed directly to an end office or through an access tandem switch and (2) the directionality of the service.

4.4.3 Provision of Service Performance Data

Subject to availability, end-to-end service performance data available to the Company through its own service evaluation routines, may also be made available to the Customer based on previously arranged intervals and format. If the data is to be provided in other than paper format, the charges for such exchange will be determined on an individual case basis.

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4.5 RATE REGULATIONS

This section contains the specific regulations governing the rates and charges that apply for Point-to-Point Dedicated Access Service.

4.5.1 Recurring and Nonrecurring Charges

Recurring charges are assessed monthly in connection with providing the Dedicated Transport Service. Nonrecurring charges are one-time charges that apply for a specific work activity (e.g., installation or change to an existing service).

4.5.2 Minimum Periods

Dedicated Transport Service is provided for a minimum period of one month.

4.5.3 Moves

A move of services involves a change in the physical location of one of the following:

- The point of termination at the Customer's premises
- The Customer's premises

The charges for the move are dependent on whether the move is to a new location within the same building or to a different building as described below.

A. Moves Within the Same Building

When the move is to a new location within the same building, the charge for the move will be an amount equal to one half of the nonrecurring charge for the capacity affected. There will be no change in the minimum period requirements.

B. Moves to a Different Building

Moves to a different building will be treated as a discontinuance and start of service and all associated nonrecurring charges will apply. New minimum period requirements will be established for the new service. The Customer will also remain responsible for satisfying all outstanding minimum period charges for the discontinued service.

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4.5 RATES AND REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

4.5.4 Installation of Optional Features

If a separate nonrecurring charge applies for the installation of an optional feature available with Dedicated Transport Service, the charge applies whether the feature is installed coincident with the initial installation of service or at any time subsequent to the initial installation of service.

The charges associated with upgrades in capacity will not apply when the customer maintains the same customer premises location.

4.5.5 Service Rearrangements

Service rearrangements are changes to existing services installed that do not result in either a change in the minimum period requirements or a change in the physical location of the point of termination at the Customer's premises or the Customer's end user's premises. Changes, which result in the establishment of new minimum period obligations, are treated as disconnects and starts.

The charge to the Customer for the service rearrangement is dependent on whether the change is administrative only in nature or involves an actual physical change to the service.

Administrative changes will be made without charge(s) to the Customer. Such changes require the continued provision and billing of the Access Service to the same entity or change in jurisdiction.

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4.5 RATES AND REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

4.5.6 Calculation of Mileage

To determine the rate distance between any two rate centers proceed as follows:

- a. Obtain the "V" and "H" coordinates for each rate center.
- b. Obtain the difference between the "V" coordinates of the two rate centers. Obtain the difference between the "H" coordinates.

Note: The difference is always obtained by subtracting the smaller coordinate from the larger coordinate.

- c. Square each difference obtained in B above.
- d. Add the squares of the "V" difference and the "H" difference obtained in c. above.
- e. Divide the sum of the squares obtained in D above by 10. Round to the next higher whole number if any fraction is obtained.
- f. Obtain the square root of the result obtained in E above. This is the rate distance in miles. (Fractional miles being considered as full miles.)

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4.6 SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS

4.6.1 Wideband Digital Data Service (1.544 Mbps)

Wideband Digital Data Service (WDDS or DS1) is a dedicated high capacity channel used for simultaneous two-way transmission of serial, bipolar, return-to-zero isochronous digital signals at a transmission speed of 1.544 Mbps. Service is furnished on a full-time basis (24 hours a day. Seven days a week).

4.6.2 Rate Descriptions

There are three basic rate elements that apply to WDDS:

- Local Channel
- Interoffice Channel

4.6.2.1 Local Channel

The Local Channel is the channel between a customer's premises and the Company (or Company service provider's) serving wire center.

4.6.2.2 Interoffice Channel

The Interoffice Channel is defined as the component of the service between two Company (or Company provider's) serving wire centers, or between a serving wire center and a Company-designated digital hub. There is a fixed element as well as a mileage-sensitive element. The mileage-sensitive component is based on the airline miles between serving wire centers (or digital hubs) with fractional miles rounded to the next whole mile.

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4.7 RATES AND CHARGES

4.7.1 Wideband Digital Data Service (1.544 Mbps)

		Installation Charges	Monthly Recurring
A.	Local Channel	\$750.00	\$350.00

Monthly Rates

B.	Interoffice Channel	<u>Fixed</u>	<u>Per Mile</u>
		\$150.00	\$ 50.00

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SECTION 4 - SPECIAL ACCESS SERVICE (CONTD)

4.8 SERVICE TRANSFER CHARGES

4.8.1 Description

Service Transfer Charges are applied for processing a request to move a customer from the Company's local exchange service to another carrier's local exchange service.

These charges are applied to the requesting carrier on a per order and per line basis for each Local Service Request (LSR) received by the Company.

4.8.2 Rate Elements

	<u>Electronic Processing</u>	<u>Manual Processing</u>
LSR Order Charge, per order	\$17.93	\$24.07
LSR Line Charge, per line	\$17.71	\$17.71

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SECTION 5 - PRESUBSCRIPTION

5.1 PRESUBSCRIPTION

- A. Presubscription is an arrangement whereby an end user may select and designate to the Company an interexchange carrier (IC) to access, without an access code, for intrastate interLATA calls. For the purposes of this tariff, an "IC" includes any entity authorized by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio to provide or to resell intrastate, intercity communications services. This IC is referred to as the end user's Primary Interexchange Carrier (PIC). The end user may select the Company as its PIC, or may select any other IC that orders originating Feature Group D Switched Access Service either to the Company's end office location or to an authorized local exchange carrier's tandem that subtends the Company's end office. After the end user's initial selection of a predesignated IC, for any additional change in selection, a non-recurring charge, as set forth in Section 4, applies.
- B. At the request of a new or existing end user served by a Feature Group D end office, the Company will provide a list of ICs the end user may select as its PIC. At no additional charge for the initial selection, the customer may choose either of the following options:
- Designate an IC as a PIC and dial 1 OXXX or 101 OXXX to reach other ICs.
 - Designate that they do not want to be presubscribed to any IC and choose to dial IOXXX or IOIOXXX for all calls to all ICs.
- C. New end users subscribing to the Company's Exchange Access Service which do not specify a PIC will default to a no PIC choice as their initial PIC selection. Subsequent to the installation of Exchange Access Service, and after the end user's initial selection of a PIC, for any additional change in selection, a non-recurring charge set forth in Section 9.1.7.A applies. This charge will be billed to the IC on behalf of the end user.

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SECTION 5 - PRESUBSCRIPTION (CONT'D)

5.2 UNAUTHORIZED PIC CHANGE

A. If an IC requests a Primary Interexchange Carrier (PIC) change on behalf of a billed party (e.g., an end user), and the billed party subsequently denies requesting the change, and the IC is unable to substantiate the change with a letter of authorization signed by the billed party; then:

- The billed party will be reassigned to their previously selected IC. No charge will apply to the billed party for this reassignment.

- The Unauthorized Presubscription Change Charge as set forth in Section 9.1.7.B will apply to the IC that requested the unauthorized PIC change. This charge is applied in addition to the PIC change charge set forth in Section 9.1.7.A following.

5.3 EXPEDITED PIC SWITCHBACK SERVICE

This service provides an expedited method of handling a disputed PIC change on behalf of the end user or its authorized agent.

If the change has occurred within the past 90 days, the end user or its authorized agent will be credited the PIC change charge assessed for the disputed change in PIC, and will be immediately switched back to the former PIC at no charge to the end user. The PIC Switchback Charge as set forth in Section 9.1.7.C will apply to the IC that requested the PIC Switchback to expedite the switchback to the end user's or its authorized agent's former PIC. This charge is applied in addition to the PIC change charge set forth in Section 9.1.7.A following.

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SECTION 6 - SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS

6.1 SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION

6.1.1 Basis for Charges

Basis for Charges where the Company furnishes a facility or service for which a rate or charge is not specified in the Company's tariffs, charges will be based on the costs incurred by the Company (including return) and may include:

- 1) Nonrecurring charges;
- 2) Recurring charges;
- 3) Termination liabilities; or
- 4) Combinations of 1), 2) and 3).

6.1.2 Basis for Cost Computation

The costs referred to in 6.1.1 preceding may include one or more of the following items to the extent they are applicable:

- 1) Costs to install the facilities to be provided including estimated costs for the rearrangements of existing facilities. These costs include:
 - a) Equipment and materials provided or used;
 - b) Engineering, labor and supervision;
 - c) Transportation; and
 - d) Rights of way and/or any required easements.
- 2) Cost of maintenance;
- 3) Depreciation on the estimated cost installed of any facilities provided, based on the anticipated useful service life of the facilities with an appropriate allowance for the estimated net salvage;
- 4) Administration, taxes and uncollectible revenue on the basis of reasonable average cost for these items;
- 5) License preparation, processing and related fees;
- 7) Any other identifiable costs related to the facilities provided; or
- 8) An amount for return and contingencies.

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6.1 SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Termination of Liability

A. To the extent that there is no other requirement for use by the Company, a termination liability may apply for facilities specially constructed at the request of a customer.

1. The period on which the termination liability is based on the term of the contract.
2. The amount of the maximum termination liability is equal to the estimated amounts (including return) for:

Costs to install the facilities to be provided including estimated costs for the rearrangements of existing facilities. These costs include:

- a) Equipment and materials provided or used;
- b) Engineering, labor and supervision;
- c) Transportation;
- d) Rights of way and/or any required easements.
- e) License preparation, processing and related fees;
- f) Administrative expenses, processing and related fees;
- g) Cost of removal and restoration, where appropriate; and
- h) Any other identifiable costs related to the specially constructed or rearranged facilities.

B. The termination liability method for calculation the unpaid balance of a term obligation is obtained by pro-rating the sum of the amounts determined as set forth in Section 6.1.3, less the amount the customer has paid, and less estimated net salvage, over the remaining term of the contract. For example, if the contract was for 36 months, and the Customer terminates after 18 months (i.e. one half the term), the Customer will be charged for one half of the sum of the amounts determined as set forth in Section 6.1.3, less estimated net salvage.

C. Inclusion of early termination liability by the company in its tariff or contract does not constitute a determination by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) that the termination liability imposed by the company is approved or sanctioned by the PUCO. Customers shall be free to pursue whatever legal remedies they may have, should a dispute arise.

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SECTION 6 - SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS (CONT'D)

6.2 NON-ROUTINE INSTALLATION AND/OR MAINTENANCE

At the customer's request, installation and/or maintenance may be performed outside the Company's regular business hours, or (in the Company's sole discretion and subject to any conditions it may impose) in hazardous locations. In such cases, charges based on the cost of labor, material and other costs incurred by or charged to the Company will apply. If installation is started during regular business hours, but at the Customer's request, extends beyond regular business hours into time periods including, but not limited to, weekends, holidays and/or night hours, additional charges may apply.

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SECTION 7 - MEASUREMENT OF ACCESS MINUTES

7.1 MEASUREMENT OF ACCESS MINUTES AND DETERMINATION OF BALANCE

The Company and Other Network Provider will measure, on a monthly basis, the originating and terminating local usage.

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SECTION 8 - BILLING AND COLLECTION

8.1 GENERAL

The Company will provide the following services:

- Recording Service
- Billing Name and Address (BNA)

8.2 RECORDING SERVICE

Recording is the entering on magnetic tape or other acceptable media the details of customer messages originated through switched access service. Recording is provided 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

The company will provide recording service in association with the offering of Feature Groups B for 900 Access Service, C, and D Switched Access Service for customer messages that can be recorded by company-provided automatic message accounting equipment. In addition, where the company records the customer messages on manual tickets, the company will provide recording service for the manual tickets and at offices where the company provides Feature Group A switched access service and has the ability to record the Feature Group A call detail with automatic message accounting equipment and mark the recorded call detail as Feature Group A call detail for a specific customer, the company will provide the recording service for Feature Group A switched access service. At the request of the customer, recording service will be provided for Feature Group D switched access service on an end office and type of call basis. Type of call means message telecommunications service (MTS) including 700 and 900 service, calls originating and/or terminating over a WATS access line, and station message detail recording for MTS and calls originating from a WATS access line.

The company will provide recording service in its operating territory. The minimum territory for which the company will provide recording service is all the appropriately equipped offices in a state operating territory for which the customer has ordered Feature Group A, B for 900 service, C, or D switched access service. A state operating territory of a particular telephone company includes all its LATAs or market areas which are located in the same state including the areas in contiguous states which are assigned to such LATAs or market areas and served by the same company.

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8.2 RECORDING SERVICE (Cont'd)

For Feature Group B or 900 Access Service, C, and D Switched Access Service, the term "customer message" used herein denotes an intrastate call originated by a customer's end user. Station message detail recording is an optional feature which provides a record of customer messages originated by MTS and WATS access lines. Such detail will be provided as part of Feature Group D end office and type of call recording service when requested by the customer. For Feature Group A switched access service, the term "customer message" used herein denotes a call over an intrastate Feature Group A switched access service. A call includes both calls originated to and terminated from a Feature Group A switched access service. The beginning and ending of a customer message are determined pursuant to the written instructions of the customer.

8.2.1 Undertaking of the Company

- A. The company will record all customer messages carried over Feature Group B for 900 access service, C, and D switched access service that are available to company-provided recording equipment or operators. The company will record all customer messages, including interLATA intrastate messages and interLATA interstate messages, carried over a Feature Group A switched access service. Unavailable customer service messages (i.e. certain Feature Group C operator and TOPS messages which are not accessible by company-provided equipment or operators) will not be recorded. The recording equipment will be provided at locations selected by the company.

- B. A standard format for the provision of the recorded customer message detail will be established by the company and provided to the customer. If, in the course of company business, it is necessary to change the format, the company will notify the involved customers six months prior to the change.

Assembly and editing, provision of customer detail, data transmission to a customer location, special orders for recording and program development will be provided to the customer on a contractual basis.

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8.2 RECORDING SERVICE (Cont'd)

8.2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)

- C. Recorded customer message detail which is used at the request of the customer to provide message processing and message bill processing service is not retained by the company for longer than 45 days. The rates for unbilled message detail and the billed message detail is retained for reference in place of the recorded customer message detail. For recorded customer message detail not used by message processing service at the customer's request, the company will make every reasonable effort to recover recorded customer message detail previously made available to the customer and make it available again for the customer. The charges as set forth in the rate schedule, following, will apply for all such detail provided. Such a request must be made within thirty (30) days from the date the details were initially made available to the customer.

8.2.2 Liability of the Company

Notwithstanding 8.2.1 preceding, the company's liability for recording service is as follows:

Unless there is an expressed written agreement to the contrary, in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct, no liability for damages to the customer or other person or entity other than as set forth in (A) and (B) preceding shall attach to the company for its action or the conduct of its employees in providing recording service.

8.2.3 Obligations of the Customer

The customer shall order recording service under a special order.

The customer shall order recording service at least one month prior to the date when the customer message detail is to be recorded, unless customer's request requires that recording service be provided by end office and type of call, then the ordering interval will be determined on an individual case basis.

The customer shall order recording service for Feature Group D switched access by end office and type of call in accordance with the terms and conditions established on an individual case basis special order.

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8.2 RECORDING SERVICE (Cont'd)

8.2.4 Payment Arrangements and Audit Provision

8.2.4.1 Notice and Scope

1. Upon forty-five (45) days' prior written notice by the customer to the company (or such shorter period as the parties may mutually agree upon), the customer or its authorized representative shall have the right to commence an audit during normal business hours and at intervals of no more than one audit in any six month period. The audit will be limited to all such records and accounts as may, under recognized accounting practices, contain information bearing upon amounts subject to being billed to the customer's end users by the company as part of its provision of billing and collection services and the changes to the customer for other services provided by the company pursuant to this tariff.
2. The written notice of audit shall identify the date upon which it is to commence, the location, the customer's representatives, the subject matter of the audit, and the materials to be reviewed.
3. The written notice of audit shall be directed to the company's representative at the address stipulated by such representative.
4. The company may, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the customer's notice of audit, postpone commencement by written notice for a period not to exceed fifteen (15) days, but only for good cause. The company shall also indicate the new date for commencement of said audit.
5. Upon completion of the audit, the customer's auditors are to provide an oral report of their findings to the company prior to their departure, followed by a letter within thirty (30) days confirming findings.

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8.2 RECORDING SERVICE (Cont'd)

8.2.4 Payment Arrangements and Audit Provision

8.2.4.2 Payment of Expense

Each party shall bear its own expenses in connection with the conduct of an audit. Special data extractions required by the customer for its representative to conduct the audit will be paid for by the customer. "Special data extraction" for auditing purposes shall mean programming, clerical and computer time required to create an output record (from existing data files) that cannot normally be created from current software programs in the production program library.

8.2.4.3 Requests for Examinations

1. In addition to audits, the customer, or its representatives, may request, from time to time, the opportunity to conduct an examination, as defined in (ii) following. The company will make reasonable efforts to accommodate requests for examination and to cooperate in the conduct of an examination.
2. An "examination" shall, for purposes of this section, constitute a reasonable inquiry on a single issue or a specific topic related to billing and collection service for a stated reason.

Upon concurrence by both parties that errors or omissions exist, adjustment shall be made by the proper party to compensate for any errors or omissions disclosed by such examination or audit.

8.2.4.4 Audit Provision

All information received or reviewed by the customer or its authorized representative is to be considered confidential and is not to be distributed, provided or disclosed in any form to anyone not involved in the audit, nor is such information to be used for any other purposes.

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8.2 RECORDING SERVICE (Cont'd)

8.2.4 Payment Arrangements and Audit Provision (Cont'd)

8.2.4.5 Minimum Period and Minimum Monthly Charges

The minimum period for which recording service without sorting is provided and for which charges apply is one month.

8.2.4.6 Changes to Special Orders

When a customer requests material changes to a pending special order for recording service, the pending special order will be canceled and the requested changes will be undertaken if they can be accommodated by the company under a new special order. A new special order charge will apply.

8.2.5 Rate Regulations

The special order charge as provided in Section 9.1.1.E applies for each special order accepted by the company for recording service or for a subsequently requested change.

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8.3 BILLING NAME AND ADDRESS SERVICE

Billing Name and Address (BNA) service is the provision of the complete billing name, street address, city or town, state and zip code for a telephone number assigned by the company.

BNA service is provided for the sole purpose of permitting the customer to bill its telephonic communications services to its end users and may not be resold or used for any other purpose, including marketing activity such as market surveys or direct marketing by mail or by telephone.

The customer may not use BNA information to bill for merchandise, gift certificates, catalogs, or other services or products.

BNA services is provided on both a manual and a mechanized basis. On a manual basis, the information will be provided by voice telecommunications or by mail, as appropriate. On a mechanized basis, the information will be entered on magnetic tape containing recorded customer messages.

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8.3 BILLING AND ADDRESS SERVICE_(CONT'D)

BNA information is furnished for sent-paid, collect, bill to third number, 700 and 900 service messages and messages charged to a calling card that is resident in the company's database. In addition, BNA information for messages originated from data terminal numbers (DTNs) of data communications services is furnished on a manual basis only.

8.3.1 Undertaking of the Company

- A. A request for information on over 100 and up to 500 telephone numbers should be mailed to the company. The company will provide the response by first class U.S. Mail within ten (10) business days.
- B. Upon receipt of a magnetic tape of recorded customer messages, the company will, at the request of the customer, provide BNA service on a mechanized basis. The tape of messages may be provided by the customer or, where the customer subscribes to recording service as set forth in 8.2 preceding, may be the output from that service. The company will enter the BNA information on the recorded message tape and send the tape to the customer by first class U.S. Mail. Other methods of delivering the data may be negotiated, and charges based on cost will apply.
- C. The company will provide a response to customer-provided tapes by mail within six (6) business days of receipt. The company will process and mail tapes which are the output of recording service every fifth business day.
- D. The company will specify the format in which requests and tapes are to be submitted.
- E. The BNA information will be provided for the calling number furnished to the extent a billing name and address exists in the company customer records information system, including non-published and non-listed numbers. If the billing name and address information for a specific calling number is confidential due to legal, national security, end user or regulatory imposed requirements, the company will provide an indicator on the confidential records.

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- F. The company will provide the most current BNA information resident in its database. Due to normal end user account activity, there may be instances where the BNA information provided is not the BNA that was applicable at the time the message was originated.

8.3.2 Obligations of the Customer

- A. With each order for BNA service, the customer shall identify the authorized individual and address to receive the BNA information.
- B. A customer which orders BNA service on a mechanized basis and which intends to submit tapes of record messages for processing must provide the company with an acceptable test tape or transmission which includes all call types for which BNA information may be requested.
- C. The customer shall institute adequate internal procedures to insure that BNA information, including that related to non-published and non-listed telephone numbers, is used only for the purpose set forth in this tariff and that BNA information is available only to those customer personnel or agents with a need to know the information. The customer must handle all billing name and address information designated as confidential by the company in accordance with the company's procedures concerning confidential information. The company will provide to the customer a statement of its procedures concerning confidential information.
- D. The customer shall not publicize or represent to others that the company jointly participates with the customer in the development of the customer's end user records, accounts, databases or market data, records, files and databases or other systems it assembles through the use of BNA service.

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8.3 BILLING AND ADDRESS SERVICE (CONT'D)

8.3.2 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

- E. When the customer orders BNA service for both interstate and intrastate messages, the projected percentage of interstate use must be provided in a whole number to the company. The company will designate the number obtained by subtracting the projected interstate percentage from 100 (100-projected interstate percentage = intrastate percentage) as the projected intrastate percentage. This whole number percentage will be used by the company to apportion the rates and nonrecurring charges between interstate and intrastate in those circumstances where the recorded message detail is not sufficient to permit the company to determine the appropriate jurisdiction. This percentage will remain in effect until a revised report is received as set forth below.

Effective on the first of January, April, July, and October of each year the customer may update the jurisdictional report. The customer shall forward to the company, to be received no later than 20 calendar days after the first of each such month, a revised report showing the interstate percentage of use for the past three months ending the last day of December, March, June, and September, respectively. Except where jurisdiction can be determined from the recorded message detail, the revised report will serve as the basis for the next three months billing and will be effective on the bill date in the following month (i.e. February, May, August, and November). No prorating or backbilling will be done based on the report. If the customer does not supply the report, the company will assume the percentages to be the same as those provided in the last quarterly report. For those cases in which a quarterly report has never been received from the customer, the company will assume the percentages to be the same as those provided in the order for service.

- F. The company shall use reasonable efforts to provide accurate and complete lists. The company makes no warranties, expressed or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of these lists.

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8.3 BILLING AND ADDRESS SERVICE (CONT'D)

8.3.3 Rate Regulations

- A. Service Implementation Charges as provided in Section 9.1.1.A apply for the initial establishment of BNA service on a manual basis, for the initial establishment of BNA service on a mechanized basis and for establishment of a master BNA list for a customer.
- B. A Customer Message charge as provided in Section 9.1.7 applies for each request for BNA information for a telephone number or DTN number on a manual basis. A charge applies for each message processed to supply BNA information on a mechanized basis.

The company will keep a count of the requests and of the messages processed. The company will bill the customer in accordance with these counts whether or not the company was able to provide BNA information for all request and messages.

- C. Where the recorded message detail is sufficient to determine a message is an intrastate message, the rates set forth in the rate schedule following will apply to each such message.
- D. Usage for which the recorded message detail is insufficient to determine jurisdiction will be prorated by the company between interstate and intrastate. The percentages provided in the reports as set forth in 8.3.3.C preceding will serve as the basis for prorating the charges. The intrastate charges are determined as follows: For usage sensitive (i.e., requests or messages processed) chargeable rate elements, multiply the intrastate percent of messages times the stated tariff rate.
- E. When a customer cancels an order for BNA service after the order date, the service establishment charge applies.

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SECTION 9 – RATES AND CHARGES

9.1 Access Service

9.1.1 Service Orders

		<u>Nonrecurring Charge Per Line or Trunk</u>
(A)	Service Implementation	
	(1) Installation	\$250.00 (I)
	(2) Access Order Charge	\$89.00 (I)
(B)	Service Date Change	\$100.00 (I)
(C)	Design Change	\$100.00 (I)
(D)	Service Cancellation	\$100.00
(E)	Special Order Charge	\$100.00

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SECTION 9 – RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

9.1 Access Service (Cont'd)

9.1.2 Switched Transport

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(A) Tandem Switched Transport:

Per Access Minute

Termination: originating \$0.000079
terminating \$0.000079

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Facility (per mile per minute) originating \$0.000013
terminating \$0.000013

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Multiplexing: originating \$0.000015
terminating \$0.0000075

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Per Access Minute

(B) Tandem Switching:

originating \$0.000792

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terminating \$0.000792

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SECTION 9 – RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

9.1 Access Service (Cont'd)

9.1.3	<u>Local Switching:</u>	Originating per MOU	\$0.0022207	
		Terminating per MOU	Note 1	(T)
		<u>End Office Shared Port</u>		
		Originating per MOU	\$0.000371	(C)
		Terminating per MOU	Note 1	(C)
9.1.4	<u>Toll Free Data Base Access Service</u>			
		Basic Toll Free Access Query		
		Per Query	\$0.0022294	
		Vertical Query	\$0.0001990	
9.1.6	<u>Billing and Collection</u>			
		Recording, per customer message	\$.035	
		BNA Service Establishment Charge	\$145.00 (Non-recurring)	
		Query Charge per Telephone Number	\$0.24	

Note 1: See the Company's Access Services Tariff FCC No. 2 at the following link <https://apps.fcc.gov/etfs/public/lecTariffs.action?idLec=242>. (N)
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SECTION 9 – RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

9.1 Access Service (Cont'd)

9.1.7 Presubscription

(A)	Authorized PIC Change	\$5.00	
(B)	Unauthorized PIC Change	\$18.00	
(C)	Expedited PIC Switchback	\$10.00	
(D)	Electronic Process	\$1.25	N

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SECTION 10 – Toll VOIP-PSTN TRAFFIC

10.1 Toll Voice Over Internet Protocol – Public Switched Telephone Network (“VoIP -PSTN”) Traffic

A. This section governs the identification and treatment of toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic that is required to be compensated at interstate access rates unless the parties have agreed otherwise in a written agreement. Specifically, this section establishes the method of separating such traffic (referred to in this tariff as “Relevant VoIP-PSTN Traffic”) from a Customer’s traditional intrastate access tariff, so that such Relevant VoIP-PSTN Traffic can be billed in accordance with the FCC Order.

B. Company will bill and collect interstate switched access rates on traffic exchanged with Customers when such traffic originates and/or terminates in Internet Protocol format, as set forth in Section 51.913 of the Federal Communications Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. §51.913, regardless of whether the Company itself delivers such traffic to the called party’s premises or the call is delivered to the called party’s premises by an affiliated or unaffiliated provider of interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol service or a non-interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol service that does not itself seek to collect interstate access charges. ¹

C. Toll terminating intrastate VoIP – PSTN traffic is subject to the Company’s applicable interstate switched access rate per minute, as set forth in the Company’s F.C.C. Tariff No. 2. (T)

D. Calculations and Applications of Percent VoIP-PSTN

Company will determine the number of Relevant VoIP-PSTN Traffic minutes of use (“MOU”) to which interstate rates will be applied under subsection 10.1.A above, by applying a Percent VoIP Usage (“PVU”) factor to the terminating intrastate access MOU exchanged between a Company End User and the Customer. The PVU will be derived and applied as follows. (T)

1 See, In the Matter of Connect America Fund A National Broadband Plan for Our Future Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers High-Cost Universal Service Support Developing an Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Lifeline and Link-Up Universal Service Reform – Mobility Fund, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Docket Nos. WC Docket No. 10-90, et al., FCC 11-161, (Rel. November 18, 2011) paragraphs #940-#960.

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1. The Customer will calculate and furnish to Company a factor (the “PVU-A”) representing the percentage of the terminating intrastate MOU that the Customer exchanges with Company in the State, that is sent to Company and that originated in IP format. This PVU-A shall be based on information such as the number of the Customer’s retail VoIP subscriptions in the state (e.g., as reported on FCC Form 477), traffic studies, actual call detail, or other relevant and verifiable information. (T)
2. Company will similarly calculate a factor (the “PVU-B”) representing the percentage of Company’s terminating intrastate MOU in the State that Company terminates on its network in IP format. This PVU-B shall be based on information such as the number of Company’s retail VoIP subscriptions in the state (e.g., as reported on FCC Form 477), traffic studies, actual call detail, or other relevant and verifiable information. (T)
3. Company will use the PVU-A and PVU-B factors to calculate a PVU factor that represents the percentage of terminating intrastate MOU exchanged between a Company End User and the Customer that is originated or terminated in IP format, whether at Company’s end, at the Customer’s end, or at both ends. The PVU factor will be calculated as the sum of: (A) the PVU-A factor and (B) the PVU-B factor times (1.0 minus the PVU-A factor). (T)
4. Company will apply the PVU factor to the total intrastate access MOU exchanged with the Customer to determine the number of Relevant VoIP-PSTN Traffic MOUs.

Example 1: The PVU-B is 10% and the PVU-A is 40%. The PVU factor is equal to $40\% + (10\% \times 60\%) = 46\%$. Company will bill 46% of the Customer’s terminating intrastate access MOU at its applicable tariffed interstate rates. (T)

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Example 2: The PVU-B is 10% and the PVU-A is 0%. The PVU factor is $0\% + (100\% \times 10\%) = 10\%$. Company will bill 10% of the Customer's terminating intrastate access MOU at Company's applicable tariffed interstate switched access rates.

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Example 3: The PVU-A is 100%. No matter what the PVU-B factor is, the PVU is 100%. Company will bill 100% of the Customer's terminating intrastate access MOU at Company's applicable tariffed interstate switched access rates.

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- 5. If the Customer does not furnish Company with a PVU factor, the Company will utilize –the Company's PVU.

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E. PVU Factor Updates

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The Customer may update the PVU factors quarterly. The Customer shall submit such updates no later than the 15th day of January, April, July and October of each year. Revised PVU factors must be based on data for the prior three months ending the last day of December, March, June and September respectively. The revised PVU factors will be used for future billing and will be effective on the bill date of each month and will be used for subsequent monthly billing until superseded by a new PVU factor. No prorating or backbilling will be done based on the updated PVU factors.

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F. PVU Verification

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Not more than twice in any year, Company may ask the Customer to verify the PVU-A factor furnished to Company and a Customer may ask Company to verify the PVU-B factor and the calculation of the PVU factor. The party so requested shall comply, and shall reasonably provide the records and other information used to determine the respective PVU-A and PVU-B factors.

G. Auditing Procedures:

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- a. If the Company questions the information provided by the Customer to justify its PVU, the Company will send a letter to the Customer (by certified US Mail, return receipt requested) requesting that the Customer contact the Company to discuss and explain their report within thirty (30) days of the Company's request.
- b. If no response is received from the Customer, the Company will send a letter to the Customer (by certified U.S. Mail, return receipt requested) requesting the work papers and summary as described in D., preceding, used by the Customer to substantiate the most recent PVU percentage. The requested information must be submitted by the Customer to the Company within thirty (30) days after receipt of the certified letter.
- c. If the Customer submits the work papers and summary as requested in b., the Company will review this information within thirty (30) days after receipt of the Customer information.
- d. If after review of the documentation, the Company and the Customer establish a revised PVU, the Company will begin using that percentage with the next billing period prospectively.

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- e. If the Company and the Customer do not establish a revised PVU, the Company will begin the procedures as set forth in g., following. (M)
- f. If no response is received from the Customer, the Company will begin the auditing procedures as set forth in g., following.
- g. When the jurisdictional PVU is disputed, the Company may request an audit. The audit procedures and responsible parties for payment of the audit expenses will be determined as follows:
- *If the Company and the Customer mutually agree upon an independent Certified Public Accountant (CPA) auditing firm and the parties agree to equally share in the payment of audit expenses, both the Company and the Customer will be bound by such an agreement; or
 - The Customer may select an independent CPA auditing firm and pay all audit expenses.
 - If the audit is not conducted as set forth preceding, the Company may select an independent CPA auditing firm and pay all the expenses.
 - Once completed, if the Company and Customer audits differ, the
 - Company shall continue to utilize the most recent undisputed PVU factors until the dispute is resolved.
- h. The Company will adjust the Customer's PVU based upon the audit results. The PVU resulting from the audit shall be applied to the usage for the quarter the audit is completed and the usage for the quarter prior to the completion of the audit. After that time, the Customer may report a revised PVU pursuant to D., preceding. The Company will implement the revised PVU in the next billing period or next quarterly report date, whichever is first.

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H. This section of the tariff does not preclude the parties from negotiating different rates, terms and conditions governing compensation for toll VoIP-PSTN traffic. This tariff does not supersede rates, terms and conditions compensation for toll VoIP-PSTN traffic in existing interconnection agreements. Rates, terms and conditions governing reciprocal compensation for toll VoIP-PSTN traffic in this tariff apply prospectively.

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