This Tariff, P.S.C. MO Tariff No. 2 issued by Network Communications International Corp. d/b/a 1800Call4Less cancels and replaces P.S.C. MO Tariff No. 1 issued by Network Communications International Corp. d/b/a 1800Call4Less in its entirety.

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INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TARIFF

OF

NETWORK COMMUNICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. d/b/a 1800Call4Less

This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations and rates applicable to the provision of interexchange telecommunications by Network Communications International Corp. d/b/a 1800Call4Less within the State of Missouri. This tariff is on file with the Public Service Commission of Missouri and copies may be inspected, during normal business hours, at the Company's principal place of business.

Network Communications International Corp. d/b/a 1800Call4Less operates as a competitive telecommunications company within the State of Missouri.

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### APPLICATION OF TARIFF

The regulations, rules and conditions set forth in this Tariff apply to the provision of intrastate public telecommunications services furnished within the State of Missouri by Network Communications International Corp. d/b/a 1800Call4Less subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission of Missouri. The Company will operate within the State of Missouri as a Competitive Telecommunications Company.

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#### **SYMBOLS**

The following are the only symbols used for the purposes indicated below:

- To signify a changed listing, rule or condition which may affect rates or charges. **(C)**
- To signify discontinued material, including a listing, rate, rule or condition. **(D)**
- **(I)** To signify an increase in rates or charges.
- To signify material relocated from or to another part of this Tariff with no change in (M) text, rate, rule or condition
- To signify new material, including a listing, rate, rule or condition. (N)
- To signify a reduction in rates or charges. (R)
- To signify a change in the wording of the text, but no change in rate, rule or condition. **(T)**
- **(X)** To signify a correction or reissued matter.

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- A. Page Numbering Page numbers appear in the upper right corner of the page. Pages are numbered sequentially, however, new sheets are occasionally added to the tariff. When a new sheet is added between sheets already in effect, a decimal is added. For example, a new sheet added between sheets 14 and 15 would be 14.1.
- **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 sheet version on file with the Commission. For example, the 4th revised Page 14 cancels the 3rd revised Page 14.
- C. Paragraph Numbering Sequence There are nine levels of paragraph coding. Each level of coding is subservient to its next higher level:
  - 2.
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# STATEMENT OF COMPETITIVE CARRIER STATUS

Network Communications International Corp. is classified as a competitive telecommunications company in Missouri for which the following statutory and regulatory requirements are waived:

# **Statutes**

392.210.2

392.240.1

392.270

392.280

392.290

392.300.2

392.310

392.320

392.330

392.340

# **Commission Rules**

4 CSR 240-10.020

4 CSR 240-30.040

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#### SECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff, particularly those for specialized common carrier communication channels furnished by the Company over its facilities are defined below:

1800Call4Less - Refers to the marketing name under which specified services are provided in this tariff.

Access - Access to the Company's services are provided by one or more or a combination of the following methods: presubscription in equal access areas, direct access, 800, 950 and 10XXX dialing sequences.

Access Code - A sequence of numbers that, when dialed, connect the caller to the provider of services associated with that sequence.

**Aggregator** - Any person, excluding local exchange carriers and cellular service providers, that in the ordinary course of its operations, make telephones available to the public or to transient users of its premises, for intrastate telephone calls using a provider of operator services.

**Authorization Code** - A numerical code, one or more of which may be assigned to a Customer, to enable the Company to identify the origin of the Service User so the Company may rate and bill the call. All Authorization Codes shall be the sole property of the Company and no Customer shall have any property or other right or interest in the use of any particular Authorization Code. Automatic Numbering Identification ("ANI") may be used as or in connection with the Authorization Code.

Authorized User - A person or entity that accesses the Company's services. An Authorized User is responsible for compliance with this tariff.

Billed Party - The person or entity responsible for payment of the Company's Service(s): In the case of a Travel Card call or other credit card call (herein collectively the "Card"), the person or entity responsible for payment is the Customer of record of the Travel Card or other valid and acceptable Card used. In the case of a collect or third party call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the person responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone number that agrees to accept charges for the call. In the case of a Room Charge Call, the entity responsible for payment is the Aggregator controlling the telephone used to originate the intrastate call. In all Operator Assisted calls not involving Cards, third party calls, collect calls or Room Charge calls, the person or entity responsible for payment is the Customer responsible for payment for local telephone services at the telephone used to originate the intrastate call.

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### SECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS, (CONT'D.)

Commission - Missouri Public Service Commission.

Company - The term Company refers to Network Communications International Corp. d/b/a 1800Call4Less.

Customer - The term "Customer" denotes the person, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, or governmental entity or any other entity that is responsible for payment of charges and for compliance with this tariff.

Inmates – The jailed or confined population of correctional or confinement institutions.

Local Exchange Carrier ("LEC") - The term "Local Exchange Carrier" denotes any telephone company that provides local telephone service to Customers within a defined area.

**NCIC** - Network Communications International Corp., the issuer of this tariff.

**Operator Assisted Call** - An intrastate telephone connection completed through the use of the Company's operator.

**Provider of Operator Services** - Any common carrier that provides operator services or any other person determined by the Federal Communications Commission and/or the Missouri Public Service Commission to be providing operator services.

**Service** - Intrastate telecommunications service provided to a Customer or Authorized User by the Company.

Subscriber - Any person, firm, partnership, corporation, governmental agency or other entity that orders service from the Company on behalf of itself or on behalf of others. A Subscriber may, in the ordinary course of its operations, makes telephones available to transient users of its premises for placing of intrastate calls. The Subscriber has a pre-existing business arrangement with the Company and may also be a Customer.

**Telecommunications** - The transmission of voice communications or, subject to the transmission capabilities of the Service, the transmission of data, facsimile, signaling, metering, or any other form of intelligence.

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#### **SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS**

# 2.1 Undertaking of the Company

Service is offered to by the Company to provide operator assisted calls originating and terminating partially or wholly within the State of Missouri, using the Company's network configuration. Services provided in this tariff, as specified herein, are offered under the name 1800Call4Less. The Company does not undertake to transmit messages but furnishes the use of its facilities to its Customers for communications. All services are provided subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this tariff.

The Company's services and facilities are provided on a monthly basis unless otherwise provided, and are available twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week.

#### 2.2 Limitations

- 2.2.1 Service is offered subject to the availability of the necessary facilities and equipment, or both facilities and equipment, and subject to the provisions of this tariff.
- 2.2.2 The Company reserves the right to discontinue or limit service when necessitated by conditions beyond its control, or when the Customer is using service in violation of provisions of this tariff, or in violation of the law.
- 2.2.3 The Company does not undertake to transmit messages, but offers the use of its facilities when available, and will not be liable for errors in transmission or for failure to establish connections.
- 2.2.4 All services and facilities provided under this tariff are directly or indirectly controlled by the Company and the Customer may not transfer or assign the use of service or facilities without the express written consent of the Company. Such transfer or assignment shall only apply where there is no interruption of the use or location of the service or facilities.

#### 2.3 Use

Services provided under this tariff may be used for any lawful purpose for which the service is technically suited.

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# 2.4 Liabilities of Company

- 2.4.1 Except as stated in this section, the Company shall have no liability for damages of any kind arising out of or related to events, acts, rights or privileges contemplated in this tariff. This tariff does not limit the liability of the Company for willful misconduct.
- 2.4.2 The liability of the Company, if any, for damages resulting in whole or in part from or arising in connection with the furnishing of service under this tariff, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or other defects in transmission, or failures or defects in facilities furnished by the Company in the course of furnishing service or arising out of any failure to furnish service shall in no event exceed an amount of money equivalent to the proportionate charge to the Customer for the period of service during which such mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays or errors or defects in transmission occur and continue. However any such mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or defects in transmission or service that are caused by or contributed to by the negligence or willful act of Customer, or which arise from the use of Customer-Provided Facilities or equipment shall not result in the imposition of any liability whatsoever upon the Company.
- 2.4.3 The Company shall not be liable for any failure of performance hereunder due to causes beyond its control, including but not limited to Acts of God, fires, flood or other catastrophes; atmospheric conditions or other phenomena of nature, such as radiation; any law, order, regulation, directive, action or request of the United States Government, or any other government, including state and local governments having jurisdiction over the Company or the services provided hereunder; national emergencies; civil disorder, insurrections, riots, wars, strikes, lockouts, work stoppages, or other labor problems or regulations established or actions taken by any court or government agency having jurisdiction over the Company or the acts of any party not directly under the control of the Company.
- 2.4.4 The Company is not liable for any act, omission or negligence of any Local Exchange Carrier or other provider whose facilities are used concurrently in furnishing any portion of the services received by Customer, or for the unavailability of or any delays in the furnishing of any services or facilities that are provided by any Local Exchange Carrier. Should the Company employ the service of any Other Common Carrier in furnishing the service provided to Customer, the Company's liability shall be limited according to the provisions stated above.

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# 2.4 Liabilities of Company, (Cont'd.)

- 2.4.5 The Company shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Customer and Authorized User from and against all loss, liability, damage, and expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, due to claims for libel, slander, or infringement of copyright or trademark in connection with any material transmitted by any person using the Company's services and any other claim resulting from any act or omission of the Customer or Authorized User relating to the use of the Company's facilities.
- 2.4.6 The Company shall not be liable for any act or omission of any other entity furnishing to the Customer facilities or equipment used with the service furnished hereunder; nor shall the Company be liable for any damages or losses due in whole or in part to the failure of Customer-provided service, equipment or facilities.
- 2.4.7 Under no circumstances whatever shall the Company or its officers, directors, agents, or employees be liable for indirect, incidental, special or consequential damages.

# 2.5 Deposits

The Company does not require deposits from Customers.

#### 2.6 Advance Payments

The Company does not require advance payments from Customers.

#### 2.7 Taxes and Fees

- 2.7.1 All state and local taxes (i.e., federal excise taxes, gross receipts tax, sales tax, municipal utilities tax) are listed as separate line items on the Customer's bill and are not included in the quoted rates and charges set forth in this tariff.
- 2.7.2 To the extent that a municipality, other political subdivision or local agency of government, or Commission imposes upon and collects from the Company a gross receipts tax, occupation tax, license tax, permit fee, franchise fee, or regulatory fee, such taxes and fees shall, insofar as practicable and allowed by law, be billed pro rata to Customers receiving service from the Company within the territorial limits of such municipality, other political subdivision or local agency of government. Any new line item assessments shall be submitted to the Commission in the form of a tariff revision. All charges and fees, other than taxes and franchise fees, will be submitted to the Commission for approval.

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# 2.7 Taxes and Fees, (Cont'd.)

### 2.7.3 Public Pay Telephone Surcharge

In order to recover the Company's expenses to comply with the FCC's pay telephone compensation plan effective on October 7, 1997 (FCC 97-371), an undiscountable per call charge is applicable to all interstate, intrastate and international calls that originate from any domestic pay telephone used to access the Company's services. This surcharge, which is in addition to standard tariffed usage charges and any applicable service charges and surcharges associated with the Company's service, applies for the use of the instrument used to access the Company's service and is unrelated to the service accessed from the pay telephone.

Pay telephones include coin-operated and coinless phones owned by local telephone companies, independent companies and other interexchange carriers. The Public Pay Telephone Surcharge applies to the initial completed call and any re-originated call (i.e., using the "#" symbol).

Whenever possible, the Public Pay Telephone Surcharge will appear on the same invoice containing the usage charges for the surcharged call. In cases where proper pay telephone coding digits are not transmitted to the Company prior to completion of a call, the Public Pay Telephone Surcharge may be billed on a subsequent invoice after the Company has obtained information from a carrier that the originating station is an eligible pay telephone.

The Public Pay Telephone Surcharge does not apply to calls placed from pay telephones at which the Customer pays for service by inserting coins during the progress of the call.

Rate per Call

\$0.56

#### 2.7.4 Missouri Universal Service Fund

- A. The Company will place, on each retail end-user customer's bill, a surcharge equal to the Missouri Universal Service Fund percentage assessment ordered by the Missouri Public Service Commission.
- **B.** The surcharge will appear as a separate line item detailed as "Missouri Universal Service Fund."
- C. The surcharge percentage will be applied to the total of each customer's charges for intrastate regulated telecommunications services that meet the definition of net jurisdictional revenues at 4 CSR 240-31.010(12).

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#### 2.8 Payment and Credit Regulations

# 2.8.1 Billing and Credit Regulations

The charges for service are due when billed and are billed and collected by the Company or its authorized agent, or the connecting company from whose service point the messages were sent paid or at whose service point the messages were received collect.

# 2.8.2 Payment for Service

The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services, including charges for service originated or charges accepted at the Customer's service point.

- (A) Any applicable federal, state or local taxes or similar liabilities chargeable to or against the Company as a result of the provision or the Company's service hereunder to the Customer shall be charged to and payable by the Customer in addition to the rates indicated in this tariff.
- (B) The Customer shall remit payment of all charges to any agency authorized by the Company to receive such payment.
- (C) Failure to receive a bill will not exempt a Customer from prompt payment of any sum or sums due the Company.
- (D) In the event the Company must employ the services of attorneys for collection of charges due under this tariff or any contract for special services, Customer shall be liable for all costs of collection including reasonable attorney's fees and court costs.
- (E) The Company will not knowingly bill for unanswered calls. In the event that an unanswered call is inadvertently billed, the Company will cancel all such charges upon request or may credit the account of the Billed Party.
- (F) In the event the Customer is overbilled, an adjustment will be made to the Customer's account and the Customer will be deemed to not owe overbilled amount. If the Customer is under billed, the Customer is allowed to either pay in lump sum or in installments.

# 2.8.3 Return Check Charge

A return check charge of \$20.00 will be assessed for checks returned for insufficient funds. Any applicable return check charges will be assessed according to the terms and conditions of this tariff and pursuant to Missouri law and Commission regulations.

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# 2.9 Right to Backbill for Improper Use of the Company's Service

Any person or entity that uses, appropriates or secures the use of service from the Company, whether directly or indirectly, in any unlawful manner or through the providing of any misleading or false information to the Company and which uses, appropriation, or securing of services is inconsistent with the stated uses, intents, and purposes of this tariff or any restrictions, conditions, and limitations stated herein, shall be liable for an amount equal to the accrued and unpaid charges that would have been applicable to the use of the Company's service actually made by Customer.

# 2.10 Billing Entity Conditions

When billing functions on behalf of the Company are performed by local exchange telephone companies, credit card companies or others, the payment conditions and regulations of such companies apply, including any applicable interest and/or late payment charges. In case of any disputed charges that cannot be resolved by the billing company, the Billed Party may contact the Company directly. If there is still a disagreement about the disputed amount after investigation and review by the Company or other service provider, the Billed Party has the option to pursue the matter with the appropriate state commission and/or the Federal Communications Commission.

# 2.11 Compliance with Regulatory Requirements

The Company reserves the right to discontinue service, limit service, or to impose requirements on Customers as required to meet changing regulatory rules and standards of the Commission.

#### 2.12 Interconnection

The Company reserves the right to interconnect its services with those of any Other Common Carrier, Local Exchange Carrier, or alternate access provider of its election, and to utilize such services for the provision of services offered herein.

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# 2.13 Denial of Access to Service by the Company

The Company expressly retains the right to deny access to service without incurring any liability for any of the following reasons:

- 2.13.1 Nonpayment of any sum due for service provided hereunder;
- 2.13.2 Customer's acts or omissions that constitute a violation of, or a failure to comply with, any regulation stated in this tariff governing the furnishing of service, but which violation or failure to comply does not constitute a material breach or does not pose any actual threatened interference to Company operations or its furnishing of service.
- 2.13.3 The implementation of any order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or federal or state regulatory authority of competent jurisdiction, prohibiting the Company from furnishing such service; or

# 2.14 Credit Allowances for Interruption of Service

Credit allowances for interruptions of service are limited the initial minimum period charge incurred to re-establish the interrupted call.

# 2.15 Inspection, Testing and Adjustment

Upon reasonable notice, the facilities provided by the Company shall be made available to the Company for tests and adjustments as may be deemed necessary by the Company for maintenance. No interruption allowance will be granted for the time during which such tests and adjustments are made when the interruption is less than twenty-four consecutive hours.

# 2.16 Responsibilities of Authorized Users

- 2.16.1 The Authorized User is responsible for compliance with the applicable regulations set forth in this tariff as well as all rules and regulations of the state utility commission and the FCC.
- 2.16.2 The Authorized User is responsible for identifying the station, party, or person with whom communication is desired and/or made at the called number.
- 2.16.3 The Authorized User is responsible for providing the Company with a valid method of billing for each call. The Company reserves the right to validate the credit worthiness of users through available credit card, calling card, called number, third party telephone number, and room number verification procedures. Where a requested billing method cannot by validated, the user may be required to provide an acceptable alternate billing method or the Company may refuse to place the call.

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### 2.17 Responsibilities of Aggregators

In addition to the responsibilities of Aggregators in their capacities as Subscribers, Aggregators must also adhere to the following requirements:

- 2.17.1 Aggregators must post on the telephone instrument, in plain view of Authorized Users,
  - (A) The name, address, and toll-free telephone number of the provider of operator services; and
  - (B) A written disclosure that the rates for all operator-assisted calls are available on request, and that Authorized Users have a right to obtain access to the intrastate common carrier of their choice and may contact their preferred intrastate common carriers for information on accessing that carrier's service using that telephone; and
  - (C) The name and address of the enforcement division the Federal Communications Commission, to which the Authorized User may direct complaints regarding Operator Services.
  - (D) Any other information required by state or federal regulatory agencies or law.
- 2.17.2 Aggregators must ensure that each of its telephones presubscribed to a provider of operator services allows the Authorized User to use "800" and "950" access code numbers to obtain access to the provider of operator services desired by the Authorized User.
- 2.17.3 NCIC shall withhold payment (on a location-by-location basis) of any compensation, including commissions, to Aggregators if NCIC reasonably believes that the Aggregator (i) is blocking access by means of "950" or "800" numbers to intrastate common carriers in violation of The Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1990 paragraph 3.4.1.B.; or (ii) is blocking access to equal access codes in violation of rules the Federal Communication Commission and/or the state Commission may prescribe.

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#### 2.18 Responsibilities of the Subscriber

- 2.18.1 The Subscriber is responsible for placing any necessary orders, for complying with tariff regulations, and for ensuring that Authorized Users comply with tariff regulations. The Subscriber is also responsible for the payment of charges for calls originated at the Subscriber's premises that are not collect, third party, calling card, or credit card calls.
- 2.18.2 The Subscriber is responsible for charges incurred for special construction and/or special facilities that the Subscriber requests and which are ordered by the Company on the Subscriber's behalf.
- **2.18.3** If required for the provision of the Company's Services, the Subscriber must provide any equipment space, supporting structure, conduit, and electrical power without charge to the Company.
- 2.18.4 The Subscriber is responsible for arranging ingress to its premises at times mutually agreeable to it and the Company when required for Company personnel to install, repair, maintain, program, inspect, or remove equipment associated with the provision of the Company's Services.
- 2.18.5 The Subscriber shall ensure that its terminal equipment and/or system is properly interfaced with the Company's facilities or services, that the signals emitted into the Company's network configuration are of the proper mode, bandwidth, power, and signal level for the intended use of the Subscriber and in compliance with the criteria set forth in Part 68 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and that the signals do not damage equipment, injure personnel, or degrade service to other Subscribers.
- 2.18.6 If the Subscriber fails to maintain the equipment and/or the system properly, with resulting imminent harm to the Company's equipment, personnel, or the quality of Service to other Subscribers or Customers, the Company may, upon written notice, require the use of protective equipment at the Subscriber's expense. If this fails to produce satisfactory quality and safety, the Company may, upon written notification, terminate the Subscriber's service.
- 2.18.7 The Subscriber must pay the Company for replacement or repair of damage to the equipment or facilities of the Company caused by negligence or willful act of the Subscriber, its Authorized Users, or others, or by improper use of equipment provided by the Subscriber, Authorized Users, or others.
- 2.18.8 The Subscriber must pay for the loss through theft or fire of any of the Company's equipment installed at Subscriber's premises.

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#### SECTION 3 – OPERATOR ASSISTED SERVICES

#### 3.1 General

The Company's Operator Assisted Service is provided for use by transient customers at host or Subscriber locations. Services arranged for the use of the transient public are subject to restrictions imposed by the Public Service Commission of Missouri and the Federal Communications Commission.

#### 3.2 **Determination of Call Duration and Timing of Calls**

- 3.2.1 Chargeable time ends when the connection is terminated.
- Chargeable time does not include the time lost because of known faults or defects in the 3.2.2 service.
- 3.2.3 The initial and additional timing periods for billing purposes vary by product and are specified in Section 3 of this tariff.
- 3.2.4 The Company will not knowingly bill for unanswered calls. When a Customer indicates that he/she was billed for an incomplete call, the Company will reasonably issue credit for the call.

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#### **SECTION 3 – OPERATOR ASSISTED SERVICES**

# 3.3 Operator Services

### 3.3.1 Description of Charges

For operator service calls, one of the following per-call service charges applies:

# (A) Customer Dialed Credit/Calling Card Charge

This charge applies in addition to usage charges for calls billed to a Commercial Credit Card or Calling Card when the Customer dials all of the digits required to route and bill the call.

# (B) Operator Station Charge

This charge applies in addition to usage charges for calls placed with operator assistance, other than Customer Dialed Credit/Calling Card and Person to Person calls.

# (C) Person to Person Charge

An Operator Assisted call which is placed under the stipulation that the caller will speak only to a specific called party, a specified extension or office to be reached through a PBX attendant. Such a call is not completed until either the specific party named by the caller is contacted, or the caller agrees to speak to a different party. The caller must arrange with the operator to make a person-to-person call; otherwise, all Operator Assisted calls will be treated as Operator Station calls.

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# **SECTION 3 - OPERATOR ASSISTED SERVICES, (CONT'D.)**

#### 3.4 1800Call4Less

The following service is provided under the name 1800Call4Less. 1800Call4Less is a service that allows the user to access the Company's network by dialing a designated toll-free number for the purpose of placing an operator-assisted call. A per call charge and usage rates apply.

All calls are billed in one (1) minute increments after an initial period, for billing purposes, of one (1) minute.

#### Per Minute Usage Rates (A)

0-10 miles	\$0.25
11 + miles	\$0.35

#### **(B)** Per Call Charges

The following per call charges apply in addition to the per minute usage rates when applicable.

Operator Assisted Call	\$6.45
Operator Station - Automated	\$3.99
Person-to-Person	\$6.45

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# **SECTION 3 - OPERATOR ASSISTED SERVICES, (CONT'D.)**

# 3.5 Directory Assistance

Directory Assistance is available to Customers of the Company service. A Directory Assistance charge applies to each call to the Directory Assistance Bureau. Up to two requests may be made on each call to Directory Assistance. The Directory Assistance charge applies to each call regardless of whether the Directory Assistance Bureau is able to furnish the requested telephone number.

Directory Assistance, Per Call Charge InterLATA/ IntraLATA Directory Assistance

\$2.75

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