SECTION 1- DEFINITIONS (Cont'd.)

<u>Service Order:</u> See Access Service Request.

<u>Signaling Point of Interface</u>: The Customer designated location where the SS7 signaling information is exchanged between the Company and the Customer.

<u>Signaling System 7 (SS7)</u>: The common Channel Out-of-Band Signaling protocol developed by the Consultative Committee for International Telephone and Telegraph (CCITT) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

<u>Station:</u> Refers to telephone equipment or an exchange access line from or to which calls are placed.

<u>Terminal Equipment:</u> Telecommunications devices, apparatus and associated wiring on the Customer-designated premises.

<u>Trunk</u>: A communications path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

<u>Wireless Provider</u>: Any carrier authorized to operate as a provider of cellular, personal communications, paging or other form of wireless transmission.

SECTION 2- RULES AND REGULATIONS (Cont'd.)

- 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd.)
 - 2.3.3 Jurisdictional Reporting (Cont'd.)
 - E. Jurisdictional Reports Verification: If a billing dispute arises or a regulatory commission questions the projected PIU factor, the Customer will provide the data used to determine the projected PIU factor. The Customer will supply the data within 30 days of the Company's request.

The Customer shall keep records of call detail from which the percentage of interstate and intrastate use can be ascertained and, upon request of the Company, shall make the records available for inspection as reasonably necessary for purposes of verification of the percentages. The Company reserves the right to conduct an audit at any time during the year. The Customer, at its own expense, has the right to retain an independent auditing firm.

F. Terminating Traffic from Exchange Carrier. Any exchange, intraLATA, or interLATA traffic terminated to the Company's network by an Exchange Carrier that is subject to this Tariff shall be treated as Switched Access Service traffic.

2.4 Customer Equipment and Channels

2.4.1 General

A Customer may transmit or receive information or signals via the facilities of the Company.

SECTION 5- SWITCHED ACCESS RATES (Cont'd.)

5.2 Rate Categories

5.2.1 Tandem Switching Access Service (Originating and Terminating)

Tandem Switching is an access service providing transmission and tandem switching between the Customer designated premises and the Company switch(es) where the Customer's traffic is switched from or to an entity other than an End User for purposes of originating or terminating the Customer's communications. The Tandem Switching Access Service composite rate is comprised of the following rate elements: tandem switching charges, tandem termination charges, and tandem facility mileage charges.

5.2.2 Local Switching Access Service - Direct Connection (Originating and Terminating)

Local Switching Access Service - Direct Connection is an access service providing the Customer connections to and use of end office switching equipment for the origination or termination of the Customer's communications to the Company's End Users. The Local Switching Access Service - Direct Connection rate consists of end office switching charges and may also include a DS3 trunk port charge. With Direct Connection, Customer is responsible for ordering or providing the DS3 facility to the Company's point of presence in the access tandem serving area. The DS3 trunk port charge applies on an Individual Case Basis when the Customer is not collocated with the Company's switch. The rate will not exceed that of the competing ILEC rate for the same function.

SECTION 5- SWITCHED ACCESS RATES (Cont'd.)

5.2 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

5.2.3 Local Switching Access Service - Indirect Connection (Originating and Terminating)

Local Switching Access Service - Indirect Connection is an access service providing the Customer use of end office switching equipment for the origination or termination of the Customer's communications to the Company's End Users as well as transport to or from the Customer's tandem provider. The Local Switching Access Service - Indirect Connection composite rate is comprised of the following rate elements: end office switching charges, tandem termination charges, and tandem facility mileage charges.

5.2.4 Toll-Free 8YY Data Base Query

The Toll-Free 8YY Data Base Query Charge will apply for each Toll-Free (8YY) call query received at the Company's (or its provider's) Toll-Free 8YY database.

5.2.5 Toll-Free 8YY Switched Access Service

Toll Free 8YY Switched Access Service is an originating access service in which the Company delivers Toll Free calls to Customers. Rate elements apply as set forth in Section 5.4.5.

5.2.6 Optional Features

Other optional features may be available on an Individual Case Basis (ICB).

SECTION 5 – SWITCHED ACCESS RATES, (CONT'D.)

5.4	Rates a	Rates and Charges			
	5.4.1	Tandem Switching Access Service			(C)
		A. B.	Originating - Composite Rate Terminating	\$0.000384 per minute of use	(C) (C)
		The Composite rate is comprised of those rate elements specified in Section 5.2.1, and assume one (1) mile of tandem facility mileage.			
	5.4.2	Local Switching Access Service - Direct Connection			(C)
		A.	End Office Switching		
			Originating Terminating	\$0.002563 per minute of use *	(C) (C)
		B.	DS3 Trunk Port	ICB	
	5.4.3	Local Switching Access Service - Indirect Connection			(C)
		A. B.	Originating - Composite Rate Terminating	\$0.002619 per minute of use *	(C) (C)
		The Composite rate is comprised of those rate elements specified in Section 5.2.3, and assume one (1) mile of tandem facility mileage.			
	5.4.4	Toll-Free 8YY Data Base Query			
		Per Query		\$0.002531	
					(M) (M)
	* Switched Access Services will be assessed applicable switched access usage charges at the rates set forth in the Company's Federal Access Tariff, FCC No. 1 posted at: https://apps.fcc.gov/etfs/public/lecTariffs.action?idLec=365				
Certa	ain materia	al previ	lously found on this sheet is now located on She	eet 49.1.	

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SECTION 5 – SWITCHED ACCESS RATES, (CONT'D.)

- 5.4 Rates and Charges
 - 5.4.1 Tandem Switching Access Service (Composite Rate)
 - A. Originating: \$0.000384 per minute of use
 B. Terminating: \$0.000344 per minute of use (R)

The Composite rate is comprised of those rate elements specified in Section 5.2.1, and assume one (1) mile of tandem facility mileage.

- 5.4.2 Local Switching Access Service Direct Connection (Originating and Terminating)
 - A. End Office Switching

Originating or Terminating: \$0.002563 per minute of use

- B. DS3 Trunk Port: ICB
- 5.4.3 Local Switching Access Service Indirect Connection (Composite Rate)
 - A. Originating: \$0.002619 per minute of use B. Terminating: \$0.002619 per minute of use

The Composite rate is comprised of those rate elements specified in Section 5.2.3, and assume one (1) mile of tandem facility mileage.

5.4.4 Toll-Free 8YY Data Base Query

Per Query \$0.002531

5.4.5 Toll-Free 8YY Switched Access Service

Originating from the Company's End Users: Local Switching Access Service - Direct Connection or - Indirect Connection rates will apply, as appropriate

Originating from parties that are not the Company's End Users: Tandem Switching Service rate will apply

5.4.6 Switched Access Optional Features

All Optional Features are offered on an Individual Case Basis (ICB).

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SECTION 5-SWITCHED ACCESS RATES, (Cont'd.)

- 5.4 Rates and Charges
 - 5.4.1 Tandem Switching Access Service (Composite Rate)

A. Originating: \$0.000384 per minute of use

B. Terminating: \$0.000384 per minute of use

The Composite rate is comprised of those rate elements specified in Section 5.2.1, and assume one (1) mile of tandem facility mileage.

- 5.4.2 Local Switching Access Service Direct Connection (Originating and Terminating)
 - A. End Office Switching

Originating or Terminating: \$0.002563 per minute of use

B. DS3 Trunk Port: ICB

5.4.3 Local Switching Access Service - Indirect Connection (Composite Rate)

A. Originating: \$0.002619 per minute of use

B. Terminating: \$0.002619 per minute of use

The Composite rate is comprised of those rate elements specified in Section 5.2.3, and assume one (1) mile of tandem facility mileage.

5.4.4 Toll-Free 8YY Data Base Query

Per Query \$0.002531

5.4.5 Toll-Free 8YY Switched Access Service

Originating from the Company's End Users: Local Switching Access Service - Direct Connection or - Indirect Connection rates will apply, as appropriate

Originating from parties that are not the Company's End Users: Tandem Switching Service rate will apply

5.4.6 Switched Access Optional Features

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