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9. DESCRIPTION AND APPLICATION OF RATES AND CHARGES

9.1 USAGE RATES

Usage rates for switched access service are rates that apply: (1) on a per access minute basis when Direct Access; (2) on a per call blocked basis beyond the blocking threshold for Network Blocking; (3) on a per query basis for 800 Database Queries. All charges are accumulated on a monthly basis. Rates for these services are found in the Rate Attachment.

9.2 MONTHLY RATES

Monthly rates are flat recurring rates that apply each month or fraction thereof that a chargeable optional feature of basic service element is provided. For billing and prorating purposes, each month is considered to have 30 days.

9.3 NONRECURRING CHARGES

Nonrecurring charges are one-time charges that apply for specific work activity. The types of non-recurring charges are as follows:

9.3.1 Access Order Charge

The Access Order Charge applies to all Customer requests for new switched access service, and for additions, changes, or rearrangements to existing service. It is applied on a per order basis to each order received by the Company, and is in addition to any other applicable charges as set forth in this and other sections of this tariff.

The Access Order Charge does not apply:

- to administrative changes as set forth in 9.3.2 below;
- when a change in a pending order does not result in the cancellation of the pending order and the issuance of a new order;
- when a Company initiated network reconfiguration requires a Customer's existing access service to be reconfigured

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9. DESCRIPTION AND APPLICATION OF RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

9.3 NONRECURRING CHARGES (Cont'd)

9.3.2 Installation of Service

Non-recurring charges apply to each Direct Access service installed. This charge applies only when the capacity ordered requires the installation or activation of an additional trunk(s) which is uniquely identified for the sole use of the ordering Customer.

9.3.3 Service Rearrangements

All changes to existing services other than changes involving administrative activities will be treated as the discontinuance of the existing service and an installation of a new service. Installation charges as described in 8.3.2 above apply. Changes and additions to existing services which are necessary due to Company initiated network reconfigurations will be made without charge to the Customer.

Administrative changes include the following:

- change of Customer name;
- change of Customer or Customer's end user premises address when the change of address is not the result of a physical relocation of equipment;
- change in billing data (name, address, contract name or telephone number);
- change of agency authorization;
- change of customer circuit identification;
- change of billing account number;
- change of Customer test line number;
- change of Customer or Customer's end user contact name or telephone number;
- change of jurisdiction.