# Michigan

# LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF

OF

#### inContact, Inc.

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This Tariff contains the descriptions, regulations and rates applicable to the provision of local exchange telecommunications services provided by inContact, Inc., with principal offices located at 7730 South Union Park Avenue, Suite 500, Midvale, Utah 84047, for services furnished within the State of Michigan. This tariff is on file with the Michigan Public Service Commission. Copies may be inspected, during normal business hours, at the Company's principal place of business.

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#### **EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS**

The following symbols shall be used in this Tariff for the purpose indicated below:

- C To signify changed regulation.
- D To signify discontinued rate or regulation.
- I To signify increased rate.
- N To signify new rate or regulation.
- R To signify reduced rate.
- T To signify text change.

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#### APPLICATION OF TARIFF

This Tariff contains the regulations, rates and charges applicable to the provision of competitive local telecommunications services by inContact, Inc. ("Company"), for the use of Customers in transmitting messages within the State of Michigan, subject to the jurisdiction of the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission"). Services include, but are not limited to resold and facilities-based voice service within the State of Michigan. Company's Services are furnished subject to the availability of facilities and subject to the terms and conditions of this Tariff.

The rates and regulations contained in this Tariff apply only to the services furnished by Company and do not apply, unless otherwise specified, to the lines, facilities, or service provided by a local exchange telephone company or other common carrier for use in accessing the services of Carrier.

This tariff is on file with the Michigan Public Service Commission. In addition, this tariff is available for review at the main office of inContact, Inc., at 7730 South Union Park Avenue, Suite 500, Midvale, Utah 84047.

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- A. Page Numbering Page numbers appear in the upper right corner of the page. Pages are numbered sequentially. However, new pages are occasionally added to the Tariff. When a new page is added between pages already in effect, a decimal is added. For example, a new page added between pages 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 page version on file with the Michigan Public Service Commission. For example, the 4th revised Page 14 cancels the 3rd revised Page 14. Because of various suspension periods, deferrals, etc., the most current page number on file with the Michigan Public Service Commission is not always the Tariff page in effect. Consult the Check Sheet for the page currently in effect.
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#### **SECTION 1 – DEFINITIONS**

Access Line – An arrangement from a local exchange telephone company or other common carrier, using either dedicated or switched access, which connects a Customer's location to Carrier's location or switching center.

Account – A Company accounting category containing up to two (2) residential local exchange access lines billed to the same Customer at the same address. The second or non-primary local exchange access line will share any call allowance of the primary local exchange access line. The second or non-primary local exchange access line, therefore, will not be provisioned to include a separate call allowance structure. No features are provided with the second or non-primary local exchange access line.

Account Codes – Permits Centrex Stations and attendants to dial an account code number of up to eight digits. For use when placing calls over facilities arranged for Automatic Message Accounting (AMA) recording. The account or project number must be input prior to dialing the called number.

Advance Payment - Part or all of a payment required before the start of service.

Authorization Code – A numerical code, one or more of which may be assigned to a Customer, to enable Carrier to identify the origin of service of the Customer so it may rate and bill the call. All authorization codes shall be the sole property of Carrier and no Customer shall have any property or any 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, firm or corporation authorized by the Customer to be an end-user of the service of the Customer.

Automatic Numbering Identification (ANI) – A type of signaling provided by a local telephone company which automatically identifies the local exchange line from which a call originates.

Commission - Refers to the Michigan Public Service Commission, unless otherwise indicated.

Common Carrier – An authorized company or entity providing telecommunications services to the public.

Company – inContact, Inc., the issuer of this Tariff.

Customer – The person, firm or corporation that orders service and is responsible for payment of charges and compliance with the terms and conditions of this Tariff.

Customer Premises – A location designated by the Customer for the purposes of connecting to the Company's services.

Customer Terminal Equipment – Terminal equipment provided by the Customer.

Deposit – Refers to a cash or equivalent of cash security held as a guarantee for payment of the charges.

End Office – The LEC switching system office or serving wire center where Customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and/or to trunks.

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### **SECTION 1 – DEFINITIONS (CONT'D)**

Equal Access – A form of dialed access provided by local exchange companies whereby interexchange calls dialed by the Customer are automatically routed to the Company's network. Presubscribed Customers may also route interexchange calls to the Company's network by dialing an access code supplied by the Company.

Exchange Telephone Company or Telephone Company – Denotes any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, or corporation authorized by the appropriate regulatory bodies to engage in providing public switched communication service throughout an exchange area, and between exchange areas within the LATA.

inContact, Inc. - inContact, Inc., issuer of this Tariff.

ICB - Individual Case Basis.

ILEC – Incumbent Local Exchange Company refers to the dominant, monopoly local telephone company in the area also served by the Company.

IXC or Interexchange Carrier – A long distance telecommunications service provider.

Interruption – The inability to complete calls due to equipment malfunctions or human errors. Interruption shall not include, and no allowance shall be given for service difficulties such as slow dial tone, circuits busy or other network and/or switching capability shortages. Nor shall Interruption include the failure of any service or facilities provided by a common carrier or other entity other than the Carrier. Any interruption allowance provided within this Tariff by Carrier shall not apply where service is interrupted by the negligence or willful act of the Customer, or where the Carrier, pursuant to the terms of this Tariff, terminates service because of non-payment of bills, unlawful or improper use of the Carrier's facilities or service, or any other reason covered by this Tariff or by applicable law.

LATA – A Local Access and Transport Area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgment entered by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in Civil Action No. 82-0192; or any other geographic area designed as a LATA in the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4, or its successor Tariff(s).

Monthly Recurring Charges – The monthly charges to the Customer for services, facilities and equipment, which continue for the agreed upon duration of the service.

MOU – Minutes of Use.

NECA – National Exchange Carriers Association.

Non-Recurring Charge ("NRC") – The initial charge, usually assessed on a one-time basis, to initiate and establish service.

PBX - Private Branch Exchange.

PIN – Personal Identification Number. See Authorization Code.

Point of Presence ("POP") – Location where the Company maintains a facility for purposes of interconnecting to the Company's Network.

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# **SECTION 1 – DEFINITIONS (CONT'D)**

PSC – Refers to the Michigan Public Service Commission.

Recurring Charges – Monthly charges to the Customer for services, and equipment, which continues for the agreed-upon duration of the service.

Service – Any means of service offered herein or any combination thereof.

Service Order – The written request for Company services executed by the Customer and the Company in the format devised by the Company. The signing of a Service Order Form by the Customer and acceptance by the Company initiates the respective obligations of the parties as set forth therein and pursuant to this Tariff.

Serving Wire Center – A specified geographic point from which the vertical and horizontal coordinate is used in calculation of airline mileage.

Shared Inbound Calls – Refers to calls that are terminated via the Customer's Company-provided local exchange line.

Shared Outbound Calls – Refers to calls in Feature Group (FGD) exchanges whereby the Customer's local telephone lines are presubscribed by the Company to the Company's outbound service such that "1 + 10-digit number" calls are automatically routed to the Company's or an IXC's network. Calls to stations within the Customer's LATA may be placed by dialing "10XXXX" or 101XXXX" with a "1+10-digit number."

Station – The network control signaling unit and any other equipment provided at the Customer's premises which enables the Customer to establish communications connections and to effect communications through such connections.

Subscriber – The person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other entity who orders telecommunications service from inContact, Inc.. Service may be ordered by, or on behalf of, those who own, lease or otherwise manage the pay telephone, PBX, or other switch vehicle from which an End User places a call utilizing the services of the Company.

Switched Access Origination/Termination – Where access between the Customer and the interexchange carrier is provided on local exchange company Feature Group circuits and the connection to the Customer is a LEC-provided business or residential access line. The cost of switched Feature Group access is billed to the interexchange carrier.

Terminal Equipment – Any telecommunications equipment other than the transmission or receiving equipment installed at a Company location.

Usage Charges – Charges for minutes or messages traversing over local exchange facilities.

User or End User – A Customer, Joint User or any other person authorized by a Customer to use service provided under this Tariff.

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### **SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS**

# 2.1 Undertaking of the Company

### **2.1.1** Scope

The Company undertakes to furnish communications service pursuant to the terms of this Tariff in connection with one-way and/or two-way information transmission between points within the State of Michigan.

The Company is responsible under this Tariff only for the services and facilities provided hereunder, and it assumes no responsibility for any service provided by any other entity that purchases access to the Company network in order to originate or terminate its own services, or to communicate with its own customers.

# 2.1.2 Shortage of Equipment or Facilities

- **A.** The Company reserves the right to limit or to allocate the use of existing facilities, or of additional facilities offered by the Company, when necessary because of lack of facilities, or due to some other cause beyond the Company's control.
- **B.** The furnishing of service under this Tariff is subject to the availability on a continuing basis of all the necessary facilities and is limited to the capacity of the Company's facilities as well as facilities the Company may obtain from other carriers to furnish service from time to time as required at the sole discretion of the Company.

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# 2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)

#### 2.1.3 Terms and Conditions

- A. Service is provided on the basis of a minimum period of at least thirty (30) days, 24 hours per day. For the purpose of computing charges in this Tariff, a month is considered to have 30 days.
- B. Except as otherwise stated in this Tariff, Customers may be required to enter into written service orders which shall contain or reference a specific description of the service ordered, the rates to be charged, the duration of the services, and the terms and conditions in this Tariff. Customers will also be required to execute any other documents as may be reasonably requested by the Company.
- C. At the expiration of the initial term specified in each Service Order, or in any extension thereof, service shall continue on a month-to-month basis at the then current rates unless terminated by either party upon notice. Any termination shall not relieve the Customer of its obligation to pay any charges incurred under the service order and this Tariff prior to termination. The rights and obligations which by their nature extend beyond the termination of the term of the service order shall survive such termination.
- D. In any action between the parties to enforce any provision of this Tariff, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its legal fees and court costs from the non-prevailing party in addition to other relief a court may award.
- E. Service may be terminated upon written notice to the Customer if:
  - 1. the Customer is using the service in violation of the Tariff; or
  - 2. the Customer is using the service in violation of the law.
- F. This Tariff shall be interpreted and governed by the laws of the State of Michigan regardless of its choice of laws provision.
- G. Any other Telephone Company may not interfere with the right of any person or entity to obtain service directly from the Company. No person or entity shall be required to make any payment, incur any penalty, monetary or otherwise, or purchase any services in order to have the right to obtain service directly from the Company.
- H. To the extent that either the Company or any other telephone company exercises control over available cable pairs, conduit, duct space, raceways, or other facilities needed by the other to reach a person or entity, the party exercising such control shall make them available to the other on terms equivalent to those under which the Company makes similar facilities under its control available to its customers. At the reasonable request of either party, the Company and the other telephone company shall join the attempt to obtain from the owner of the property access for the other party to serve a person or entity.

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### 2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)

### 2.1.4 Limitations on Liability

- A. Except as otherwise stated in this section, the liability of the Company for damages arising out of either: (1) the furnishing of its services, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays or errors, or other defects, representations, or use of these services; or (2) the failure to furnish its service, whether caused by acts or omission, shall be limited to the extension of allowances to the Customer for interruptions in service as set forth in Section 2.6.
- B. Except for the extension of allowances to the customer for interruptions in service as set forth in Section 2.6, the Company shall not be liable to a Customer or third party for any direct, indirect, special, incidental, reliance, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages, including, but not limited to, loss of revenue or profits, for any reason whatsoever, including, but not limited to, any act or omission, failure to perform, delay, interruption, failure to provide any service or any failure in or breakdown of facilities associated with the service.
- C. The liability of the Company for errors in billing that results in overpayment by the Customer shall be limited to a credit equal to the dollar amount erroneously billed or, in the event that payment has been made and service has been discontinued, to a refund of the amount erroneously billed. This clause does not conflict with or trump the conditions set forth by Commission Regulations.
- D. The Company shall be indemnified and saved harmless by the Customer from and against all loss, liability, damage and expense, including reasonable counsel fees, due to:
  - 1. Any act or omission of: (a) the Customer; (b) any other entity furnishing service, equipment or facilities for use in conjunction with services or facilities provided by the Company; or (c) common carriers or warehousemen, except as contracted by the Company;
  - 2. Any delay or failure of performance or equipment due to causes beyond the Company's control, including but not limited to, acts of God, fires, floods, earthquakes, hurricanes, or other catastrophes; national emergencies, insurrections, riots, wars or other civil commotions; strikes, lockouts, work stoppages or other labor difficulties; criminal actions taken against the Company; unavailability, failure or malfunction of equipment or facilities provided by the Customer or third parties; and any law, order, regulation or other action of any governing authority or agency thereof;
  - 3. Any unlawful or unauthorized use of the Company's facilities and services;
  - 4. Libel, slander, invasion of privacy or infringement of patents, trade secrets, or copyrights arising from or in connection with the material transmitted by means of Company-provided facilities or services; or by means of the combination of Company-provided facilities or services;
  - 5. Breach in the privacy or security of communications transmitted over the Company's facilities;

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### 2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)

### 2.1.4 Limitations on Liability (Cont'd)

# D. (Cont'd)

- 6. Changes in any of the facilities, operations or procedures of the Company that render any equipment, facilities or services provided by the Customer obsolete, or require modification or alteration of such equipment, facilities or services, or otherwise affect their use or performance, except where reasonable notice is required by the Company and is not provided to the Customer, in which event the Company's liability is limited as set forth in paragraph A. of this Subsection 2.1.4;
- 7. Defacement of or damage to Customer premises resulting from the furnishing of services or equipment on such premises or the installation or removal thereof which is not the result of negligence;
- 8. Injury to property or injury or death to persons, including claims for payments made under Workers' Compensation law or under any plan for employee disability or death benefits, arising out of, or caused by, any acts or omission of the Customer, or the construction, installation, maintenance, presence, use or removal of the Customer's facilities or equipment connected, or to be connected to the Company's facilities;
- 9. Any noncompletion of calls due to network busy conditions;
- 10. Any calls not actually attempted to be completed during any period that service is unavailable;
- 11. And any other claim resulting from any act or omission of the Customer or patron(s) of the Customer relating to the use of the Company's services or facilities.
- E. The Company does not guarantee nor make any warranty with respect to installations provided by it for use in an explosive atmosphere.
- F. The Company makes no warranties or representations, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, either in fact or by operation of law, statutory or otherwise, including warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular use, except those expressly set forth herein.
- G. Failure by the Company to assert its rights pursuant to one provision of this rate sheet does not preclude the Company from asserting its rights under other provisions.

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### 2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)

# 2.1.4 Limitations on Liability (Cont'd)

H. Directory Errors – In the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct, no liability for damages arising from errors or mistakes in or omissions of directory listings, or errors or mistakes in or omissions of listing obtainable from the directory assistance operator, including errors in the reporting thereof, shall attach to the Company. An allowance for errors or mistakes in or omissions of published directory listings or for errors or mistakes in or omissions of listing obtainable from the directory assistance operator shall be at the monthly Tariff rate for each listing, or in the case of a free or no-charge directory listing, credit shall equal two times the monthly Tariff rate for an additional listing, for the life of the directory or the charge period during which the error, mistake or omission occurs.

# I. With respect to Emergency 911 Service:

- 1. This service is offered solely as an aid in handling assistance calls in connection with fire, police and other emergencies. The Company is not responsible for any losses, claims, demands, suits or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted or asserted by the Customer or by any other party or person for any personal injury or death of any person or person, and for any loss, damage or destruction of any property, whether owned by the Customer or others, caused or claimed to have been caused by: (1) mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors or other defects in the provision of service; or (2) installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, local or use of any equipment and facilities furnishing this service.
- 2. Neither is the Company responsible for any infringement, nor invasion of the right of privacy of any person or persons, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly, b the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, occasion or use of emergency 911 service features and the equipment associated therewith, or by any services furnished by the Company, including, but not limited to the identification of the telephone number, address or name associated with the telephone used by the party or parties accessing emergency 911 service, and which arise out of the negligence or other wrongful act of the Company, its users, agencies or municipalities, or the employees or agents of any one of them.

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### 2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)

# 2.1.4 Limitations on Liability (Cont'd)

- I. With respect to Emergency 911 Service (Cont'd)
  - 3. When a Customer with a nonpublished telephone number, as defined herein, places a call to the emergency 911 service, the Company will release the name and address of the calling party, where such information can be determined, to the appropriate local government authority responsible for emergency 911 service upon request of such governmental authority. By subscribing to service under this rate sheet, the Customer acknowledges and agrees with the release of information as described above.

# 2.1.5 Notification of Service-Affecting Activities

The Company will provide the Customer reasonable notification of service-affecting activities that may occur in normal operation of its business. Such activities may include, but are not limited to, equipment or facilities additions, removals or rearrangements and routine preventative maintenance. Generally, such activities are not specific to an individual Customer but affect many Customers' services. No specific advance notification period is applicable to all service activities. The Company will work cooperatively with the Customer to determine the reasonable notification requirements. With some emergency or unplanned service-affecting conditions, such as an outage resulting from cable damage, notification to the Customer may not be possible.

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### 2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)

### 2.1.6 Provision of Equipment and Facilities

- A. The Company shall use reasonable efforts to make available services to a Customer on or before a particular date, subject to the provisions of and compliance by the Customer with, the regulations contained in this Tariff. The Company does not guarantee availability by any such date and shall not be liable for any delays in commencing service to any customer.
- B. The Company shall use reasonable efforts to maintain only the facilities and equipment that it furnishes to the Customer. The Customer may not, nor may the Customer permit others to, rearrange, disconnect, remove, attempt to repair, or otherwise interfere with any of the facilities or equipment installed by the Company, except upon the written consent of the Company.
- C. The Company may substitute, change or rearrange any equipment or facility at any time and from time to time, but shall not thereby alter the technical parameters of the service provided by the Customer.
- D. Equipment the Company provides or installs at the Customer Premises for use in connection with the services the Company offers shall not be used for any purpose other than that for which it was provided.
- E. The Customer shall be responsible for the payment of service charges as set forth herein for visits by the Company's agents or employees to the Premises of the Customer when the service difficulty or trouble report results from the use of equipment or facilities provided by any other party other than the Company, including, but not limited to, the Customer.
- F. The Company shall not be responsible for the installation, operation, or maintenance of any Customer-provided communications equipment. Where such equipment is connected to the facilities furnished pursuant to this Tariff, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of facilities offered under this Tariff and to the maintenance and operation of such facilities. Subject to this responsibility, the Company shall not be responsible for:
  - (1) the transmission of signals by Customer-provided equipment or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission; or
  - (2) the reception of signals by Customer-provided equipment.

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#### SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

### 2.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)

#### 2.1.7 Non-routine Installation

At the Customer's request, installation and/or maintenance may be performed outside the Company's regular business hours or in hazardous locations. In such cases, charges based on cost of the actual labor, material, or 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 hours may apply.

# 2.1.8 Special Construction

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

- A. where facilities are not presently available, and there is no other requirement for the facilities so constructed;
- B. of a type other than that which the Company would normally utilize in the furnishing of its services;
- C. over a route other than that which the Company would normally utilize in the furnishing of its services;
- D. in a quantity greater than that which the Company would normally construct;
- E. on an expedited basis;
- F. on a temporary basis until permanent facilities are available;
- G. involving abnormal costs; or
- H. in advance of its normal construction.

#### 2.1.9 Ownership of Facilities

Title to all facilities provided in accordance with this Tariff remains in the Company, its partners, agents, contractors or suppliers.

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# SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

#### 2.2 Prohibited Uses

- 2.2.1 The services the Company offers shall not be used for any unlawful purpose or for any use as to which the Customer has not obtained all required governmental approvals, authorizations, licenses, consents and permits.
- 2.2.2 The Company may require applicants for service who intend to use the Company's offerings for resale and/or for shared use to file a letter with the Company confirming that their use of the Company's offerings complies with relevant laws and PUC regulations, policies, orders, and decisions.
- 2.2.3 The Company may block any signals being transmitted over its Network by Customers which cause interference to the Company or other users. Customer shall be relieved of all obligations to make payments for charges relating to any blocked Service and shall indemnify the Company for any claim, judgment or liability resulting from such blockage.
- 2.2.4 A customer, joint user, or authorized user may not assign, or transfer in any manner, the service or any rights associated with the service without the written consent of the Company. The Company will permit a Customer to transfer its existing service to another entity if the existing Customer has paid all charges owned to the Company for regulated communications services. Such a transfer will be treated as a disconnection of existing service and installation of new service, and non-recurring installation charges as stated in this Tariff will apply.

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### 2.3 Obligations of the Customer

#### 2.3.1 General

The Customer is responsible for making proper application for service; placing any necessary order, complying with Tariff regulations; payment of charges for services provided. Specific Customer responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:

- A. the payment of all applicable charges pursuant to this Tariff;
- B. damage to or loss of the Company's facilities or equipment caused by the acts of omissions of the Customer; or the noncompliance by the Customer, with these regulations; or by fire or theft or other casualty on the Customer Premises, unless caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the employees or agents of the Company;
- C. providing at no charge, as specified from time to time by the Company, any needed personnel, equipment space and power to operate Company facilities and equipment installed on the premises of the Customer, and the level of heating and air conditioning necessary to maintain the proper operating environment on such premises;
- D. obtaining, maintaining, and otherwise having full responsibility for all rights-of-way and conduits necessary for installation of fiber optic cable and associated equipment used to provide Communication Services to the Customer from the cable building entrance or property line to the location of the equipment space described in 2.3.1(C.). Any and all costs associated with obtaining and maintaining the rights-of-way described herein, including the costs of altering the structure to permit installation of the Company-provided facilities, shall be borne entirely by, or may be charged by the Company to, the Customer. The Company may require the Customer to demonstrate its compliance with this section prior to accepting an order for service;

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### 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

### 2.3.1 General (Cont'd)

- E. providing a safe place to work and complying with all laws and regulations regarding the working conditions on the premises at which Company employees and agents shall be installing or maintaining the Company's facilities and equipment. The Customer may be required to install and maintain Company facilities and equipment within a hazardous area if, in the Company's opinion, injury or damage to the Company's employees or property might result from installation or maintenance by the Company. The Customer shall be responsible for identifying, monitoring, removing and disposing of any hazardous material (e.g., asbestos) prior to any construction or installation work;
- F. complying with all laws and regulations applicable to, and obtaining all consents, approvals, licenses and permits as may be required with respect to, the location of Company facilities and equipment in any Customer premises or the rights-of-way for which Customer is responsible under Section 2.3.1(D); and granting or obtaining permission for Company agents or employees to enter the premises of the Customer at any time for the purpose of installing, inspecting, maintaining, repairing, or upon termination of service as stated herein removing the facilities or equipment of the Company;
- G. not creating, or allowing to be placed, any liens or other encumbrances on the Company's equipment or facilities; and
- H. making Company facilities and equipment available periodically for maintenance purposes at a time agreeable to both the Company and the Customer. No allowance will be made for the period during which service is interrupted for such purposes.

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# 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

# 2.3.2 Liability of the Customer

- A. The Customer will be liable for damages to the facilities of the Company and for all incidental and consequential damages caused by the negligent or intentional acts or omissions of the Customer, its officers, employees, agents, invites, or contractors where such acts or omissions are not the direct result of the Company's negligence or intentional misconduct.
- B. To the extent caused by any negligent or intentional act of the Customer as described in A., preceding, the Customer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Company from and against all claims, actions, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, for (1) any loss, destruction or damage to property of any third party, and (2) any liability incurred by the Company to any third party pursuant to this or any other rate sheet of the Company, or otherwise, for any interruption of, interference to, or other defect in any service provided by the Company to such third party.
- C. The Customer shall not assert any claim against any other Customer or user of the Company's services for damages resulting in whole or in part from or arising in connection with the furnishing of service under this rate sheet including, but not limited to, mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors or other defects or misrepresentations, whether or not such other Customer or user contributed in any way to the occurrence of the damages, unless such damages were caused solely by the negligent or intentional act or omission of the other Customer or user and not by any act or omission of the Company. Nothing in this tariff is intended either to limit or to expand Customer's right to assert any claims against third parties for damages of any nature other than those described in the preceding sentence.

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#### 2.4 **Customer Equipment and Channels**

#### 2.4.1 General

A User may transmit or receive information or signals via the facilities of the Company. The Company's services are designed primarily for the transmission of voice-grade telephonic signals, except as otherwise stated in this Tariff. A User may transmit any form of signal that is compatible with the Company's equipment, but the Company does not guarantee that its services will be suitable for purposes other than voice-grade telephonic communication except as specifically stated in this Tariff.

#### 2.4.2 **Station Equipment**

- A. Terminal equipment on the User's Premises and the electric power consumed by such equipment shall be provided by and maintained at the expense of the User. The User is responsible for the provision of wiring or cable to connect its terminal equipment to the Company Point of Connection.
- B. The Customer is responsible for ensuring that Customer-provided equipment connected to Company equipment and facilities is compatible with such equipment and facilities. The magnitude and character of the voltages and currents impressed on Company-provided equipment and wiring by the connection, operation, or maintenance of such equipment and wiring shall be such as not to cause damage to the Company-provided equipment and wiring or injury to the Company's employees or to other persons. Any additional protective equipment required to prevent such damage or injury shall be provided by the Company at the Customer's expense, subject to prior Customer approval of the equipment expense.

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### 2.4 Customer Equipment and Channels (Cont'd)

#### 2.4.3 Interconnection of Facilities

- A. Any special interface equipment necessary to achieve compatibility between the facilities and equipment of the Company used for furnishing Communication Services and the channels, facilities, or equipment of others shall be provided at the Customer's expense.
- B. Communications Services may be connected to the services or facilities of other communications carriers only when authorized by, and in accordance with, the terms and conditions of the Tariffs of the other communications carriers that are applicable to such connections.
- C. Facilities furnished under this Tariff may be connected to Customer-provided terminal equipment in accordance with the provisions of this Tariff. All such terminal equipment shall be registered by the Federal Communications Commission pursuant to Part 68 of Title 47, Code of Federal Regulations; and all User-provided wiring shall be installed and maintained in compliance with those regulations.
- D. Users may interconnect communications facilities that are used in whole or in part for interstate communications to services provided under this Tariff only to the extent that the user is an "End User" as defined in Section 49.2(m), Title 47, Code of Federal Regulations.

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# 2.4 Customer Equipment and Channels (Cont'd)

# 2.4.4 Inspections

- A. Upon suitable notification to the Customer, and at a reasonable time, the Company may make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine that the Customer is complying with the requirements set forth in Section 2.4.2A. for the installation, operation, and maintenance of Customer-provided facilities, equipment, and wiring in the connection of Customer-provided facilities and equipment to Company-owned facilities and equipment.
- B. If the protective requirements for Customer-provided equipment are not being complied with, the Company may take such action as it deems necessary to protect its facilities, equipment, and personnel. The Company will notify the Customer promptly if there is any need for further corrective action. Within ten days of receiving this notice, the Customer must take this corrective action and notify the Company of the action taken. If the Customer fails to do this, the Company may take whatever additional action is deemed necessary, including the suspension of service, to protect its facilities, equipment and personnel from harm.

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#### 2.5 Payment Arrangements

# 2.5.1. Payment for Service

The Customer is responsible for the payment of all charges for facilities and services furnished by the Company to the Customer and to all Authorized Users by the Customer, regardless of whether those services are used by the Customer itself or are resold to or shared with other persons.

The Customer is responsible for payment of any sales, use, gross receipts, excise, access or other local, state, federal and 911 taxes, charges or surcharges (however designated) (excluding taxes on Company's net income) imposed on or based upon the provision, sale or use of Network Services. The Company will not separately charge for the gross receipts tax on the Company's invoice for local services. Any taxes imposed by a local jurisdiction (e.g., county and municipal) will only be recovered from those Customers residing in the affected jurisdictions.

Certain telecommunications services are subject to state sales tax at the prevailing tax rates, if the services originate, or terminate in Michigan, or both, and are charged to a subscriber's telephone number or account in Michigan.

The security of the Customer's PIN is the responsibility of the Customer. All calls placed using a PIN shall be billed to and shall be the obligation of the Customer. The Customer shall not be responsible for charges in connection with the unauthorized use of PINs arising after the Customer notifies the Company of the loss, theft, or other breach of security of such PINs.

Customers will only be charged once, on either an interstate or intrastate basis, for any nonrecurring charges.

# 2.5.2 Billing and Collection of Charges

The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges incurred by the Customer or other Authorized Users for services and facilities furnished to the Customer by the Company.

A. Nonrecurring charges are due and payable within thirty (30) days of receipt of bill, unless otherwise agreed to in advance.

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#### 2.5 Payment Arrangements (Cont'd)

#### 2.5.2 Billing and Collection of Charges (Cont'd)

- B. The Company shall present invoices for recurring charges monthly to the Customer, in advance of the month in which service is provided, and Recurring Charges shall be due and payable within thirty (30) days after the invoice date. When billing is based on customer usage, charges will be billed monthly for the preceding billing periods.
- C. When service does not begin on the first day of the month, or end on the last day of the month, the charge for the fraction of the month in which service was furnished will be calculated on a pro rata basis. For this purpose, every month is considered to have thirty (30) days.
- D. Billing of the Customer by the Company will begin on the Service Commencement Date, which is the first day following the date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the service or facility is available for use, except that the Service Commencement Date may be postponed by mutual agreement of the parties, or if the service or facility is available for use, except that the Service Commencement Date may be postponed by mutual agreement of the parties, or if the service or facility does not conform to standards set forth in this Tariff or the Service Order. Billing accrues through and includes the day that the service, circuit, arrangement or component is discontinued.
- E. A maximum of one and one half percent (1 1/2%) may be added to any unpaid balance brought forward from the previous billing date to cover the cost of collection and carrying accounts in arrears. This method of late payment charge will be made in lieu of any other penalty. Billing for 900 and 900-type charges or non-regulated items are excluded from the balance on which a late fee may be imposed.
- F. The Customer will be assessed a charge for each check or other payment type submitted by the Customer to the Company that a bank or other financial institution refuses to honor. The charge may be equal but not exceed the rate allowed by the Michigan Public Service Commission.
- G. If service is disconnected by the Company in accordance with Section 2.5.6 following and later restored, restoration of service will be subject to all applicable installation charges.

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# 2.5 Payment Arrangements (Cont'd)

### 2.5.3 Disputed Bills

- A. In the event that a billing dispute occurs concerning any charges billed to the Customer by the Company, the Company may require the Customer to pay the undisputed portion of the bill to avoid discontinuance of service for non-payment. The Customer must submit a documented claim for the disputed amount. The Customer will submit all documentation as may reasonably be required to support the claim. All claims must be submitted to the Company within 90 days of receipt of billing for those services. If the Customer does not submit a claim as stated above, the Customer waives all rights to filing a claim thereafter. The 90-day requirement does not conflict with or trump the conditions set forth by Commission Regulations.
- B. The Customer should notify the Company of any disputed items on an invoice within an interval from receipt of the invoice that is within the State's statute of limitations. If the Customer and the Company are unable to resolve the dispute to their mutual satisfaction, the Customer may file a complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure. The address of the Michigan PSC is as follows:

Michigan Public Service Commission 7109 West Saginaw Highway Lansing, MI 48917 Tel: 517-284-8100 Fax: 517-284-8293

C. If the dispute is resolved in favor of the Customer and the Customer has withheld the disputed amount, no interest credits or penalties will apply.

# 2.5.4 Reserved For Future Use

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# 2.5.5 Deposits

The Company does not collect Customer Deposits.

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# 2.5 Payment Arrangements (Cont'd)

#### 2.5.6 Discontinuance of Service

- A. Upon nonpayment of any amounts owing to the Company, the Company may, by giving five (5) days' written notice to the Customer, discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability. No basic residential service shall be disconnected for nonpayment until at least 20 days from the date of the bill and only following proper written notification.
- B. Upon violation of any of the other material terms or conditions for furnishing service the Company may, by giving five (5) days' written notice to the Customer, discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability if such violation continues during that period.
- C. Upon condemnation of any material portion of the facilities used by the Company to provide service to a Customer or if a casualty renders all or any material portion of such facilities inoperable beyond feasible repair, the Company, by notice to the Customer, may discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability.

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# 2.5 Payment Arrangements (Cont'd)

### 2.5.6 Discontinuance of Service (Cont'd)

- D. Upon any governmental prohibition or required alteration of the services to be provided or any violation of an applicable law or regulation, the Company may immediately discontinue service without incurring any liability.
- E. In the event of fraudulent use of the Company's network, the Company will discontinue service without notice and/or seek legal recourse to recover all costs involved in enforcement of this provision.
- F. Upon the Company's discontinuance of service to the Customer under Section 2.5.6 A. or 2.5.6 B., the Company, in addition to all other remedies that may be available to the Company at law or in equity or under any other provision of this tariff, may declare all future monthly and other charges that would have been payable by the Customer during the remainder of the term for which such services would have otherwise been provided to the Customer to be immediately due and payable (discounted to present value at six percent).
- G. Without notice in the event of Customer use of equipment or services in such a manner as to adversely affect the Company's service to others.
- H. Without notice in the event of tampering with the equipment or services furnished by the Company.

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# 2.5 Payment Arrangements (Cont'd)

### 2.5.7 Cancellation of Application for Service

- A. Applications for service cannot be canceled without the Company's agreement. Where the Company permits a Customer to cancel an application for service prior to the start of service or prior to any special construction, no charges will be imposed except for those specified below.
- B. Where, prior to cancellation by the Customer, the Company incurs any expenses in installing the service or in preparing to install the service that it otherwise would not have incurred, a charge equal to the costs incurred by the Company, less net salvage, shall apply, but in no case shall this charge exceed the sum of the charge for the minimum period of services ordered, including installation charges, and all charges others levy against the Company that would have been chargeable to the Customer had service commenced (all discounted to present value at six percent).
- C. Where the Company incurs any expense in connection with special construction, or where special arrangements of facilities or equipment have begun, before the Company receives a cancellation notice, a charge equal to the costs incurred by the Company, less net salvage, applies. In such cases, the charge will be based on such elements as the cost of the equipment, facilities, and material, the cost of installation, engineering, labor, and supervision, general and administrative expense, other disbursements, depreciation, maintenance, taxes, provision for return on investment, and any other costs associated with the special construction or arrangements.
- D. The special charges described in 2.5.7.A. through 2.5.7.C. will be calculated and applied on a case-by-case basis.

### 2.5.8 Changes in Service Requested

If the Customer makes or request material changes in circuit engineering, equipment specifications, service parameters, premises locations, or otherwise materially modifies any provision of the application for service, the Customer's installation fee shall be adjusted accordingly.

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### 2.6 Allowances for Interruptions in Service

Interruptions in service that are not due to the negligence of, or noncompliance with the provisions of this Tariff by, the Customer or the operation or malfunction of the facilities, power or equipment provided by the Customer, will be credited to the Customer as set forth in 2.6.1 for the part of the service that the interruption affects.

#### 2.6.1 General

- A. A credit allowance will be given when service is interrupted, except as specified below. A service is interrupted when it becomes inoperative to the Customer, e.g., the Customer is unable to transmit or receive, because of a failure of a component furnished by the Company under this Tariff.
- B. An interruption period begins when the Customer reports a service, facility or circuit to be inoperative and, if necessary, releases it for testing and repair. An interruption period ends when the service, facility or circuit is operative.
- C. If the Customer reports a service, facility or circuit to be interrupted but declines to release it for testing and repair, or refuses access to its premises for test and repair by the Company, the service, facility or circuit is considered to be impaired but not interrupted. No credit allowances will be made for a service, facility or circuit considered by the Company to be impaired.
- D. The Customer shall be responsible for the payment of service charges as set forth herein for visits by the Company's agents or employees to the premises of the Customer when the service difficulty or trouble report results from the use of equipment or facilities provided by any party other than the Company, including, but not limited to, the Customer.

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#### 2.6. Allowances for Interruptions in Service (Cont'd)

#### 2.6.2 Limitations of Allowances

No credit allowance will be made for any interruption in service:

- A. Due to the negligence of or noncompliance with the provisions of this rate sheet by any person or entity other than the Company, including, but not limited to, the Customer;
- B. Due to the failure of power, equipment, systems, connections or services not provided by the Company;
- C. Due to circumstances or causes beyond the reasonable control of the Company;
- D. During any period in which the Company is not given full and free access to its facilities and equipment for the purposes of investigating and correcting interruptions;
- E. A service will not be deemed to be interrupted if a Customer continues to voluntarily make use of such service. If the service is interrupted, the Customer can get a service credit, use another means of communications provided by the Company (pursuant to Section 2.6.3), or utilize another service provider;
- F. During any period when the Customer has released service to the Company for maintenance purposes or for implementation of a Customer order for a change in service arrangements;
- G. That occurs or continues due to the Customer's failure to authorize replacement of any element of special construction; and
- H. That was not reported to the Company within thirty (30) days of the date that service was affected.

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### 2.6 Allowances for Interruptions in Service (Cont'd)

#### 2.6.3 Use of Another Means of Communication

If the Customer elects to use another means of communications during the period of interruption, the Customer must pay the charges for the alternative service used.

## 2.6.4 Application for Credits for Interruptions in Service

- A. Credits for interruptions in service that is provided and billed on a flat rate basis for a minimum period of at least one month, beginning on the date that billing becomes effective, shall in no event exceed an amount equivalent to the proportionate charge to the Customer for the period of service during which the event that gave rise to the claim for a credit occurred. A credit allowance is applied on a pro rata basis against the rates specified hereunder and is dependent upon the length of the interruption. Only those facilities on the interrupted portion of the circuit will receive a credit.
- B. For calculating credit allowances, every month is considered to have thirty (30) days.
- C. A credit allowance will be given for interruptions of thirty (30) minutes or more. Two or more interruptions of fifteen (15) minutes or more during any one 24-hour period shall be combined into one cumulative interruption.
- D. Interruptions of 24 Hours or Less

Length of Interruption	Amount of Service to be Credited
Less than 30 minutes	None
30 minutes up to but not including 3 hours	1/10 Day
3 hours up to but not including 6 hours	1/5 Day
6 hours up to but not including 9 hours	2/5 Day
9 hours up to but not including 12 hours	3/5 Day
12 hours up to but not including 15 hours	4/5 Day
15 hours up to but not including 24 hours	One Day

#### E. Interruptions Over 24 Hours and Less Than 72 Hours

Interruptions over 24 hours and less than 72 hours will be credited 1/5 day for each 3-hour period or fraction thereof. No more than one full day's credit will be allowed for any period of 24 hours.

# F. Interruptions Over 72 Hours

Interruptions Over 72 hours will be credit 2 days for each full 24-hour period. No more than thirty (30) days credit will be allowed for any one-month period.

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### 2.6 Allowances for Interruptions in Service (Cont'd)

#### 2.6.5 Cancellation for Service Interruption

Cancellation or termination for service interruption is permitted only if any circuit experiences a single continuous outage of 8 hours or more or cumulative service credits equaling 16 hours in a continuous 12-month period. The right to cancel service under this provision applies only to the single circuit that has been subject to the outage or cumulative service credits.

# 2.7 Use of Customer's Service by Others

# 2.7.1 Joint Use Arrangements

Joint use arrangements will be permitted for all services provided under this Tariff. From each joint use arrangement, one member will be designated as the Customer responsible for the manner in which the joint use of the service will be allocated. The Company will accept orders to start, rearrange, relocate or discontinue service only from the designated Customer. Without affecting the Customer's ultimate responsibility for payment of all charges for the service, each joint user shall be responsible for the payment of the charges billed to it.

#### **2.7.2** Resale

SECTION 2.7.2 IS AVAILABLE ONLY TO CARRIERS WHICH ARE CERTIFIED BY THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TO PROVIDE INTRASTATE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES

There are no prohibitions or limitations on the resale of services. Prices for services appear in the price sheet attached to this tariff. Any service provided under this tariff may be resold to other persons at the option of Customer, subject to compliance with any applicable laws of the Michigan Public Service Commission regulations governing such resale.

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# 2.8 Cancellation of Service/Termination Liability

If a Customer cancels a Service Order or terminates services before the completion of the term for any reason whatsoever other than a service interruption (as defined in Section 2.6.1 above), the Customer agrees to pay to the Company termination liability charges, as defined below. These charges shall become due as of the effective date of the cancellation or termination and be payable within the period, set forth in Section 2.5.2.

#### 2.8.1 Termination Liability

The Customer's termination liability for cancellation of service shall be equal to:

- A. all unpaid Non-Recurring charges reasonably expended by the Company to establish service to the Customer; plus
- B. any disconnection, early cancellation or termination charges reasonable incurred and paid to third parties by the Company on behalf of the Customer; plus
- C. all Recurring Charges specified in the applicable Service Order Tariff for the balance of the then current term discounted at the prime rate announced in the <u>Wall Street Journal</u> on the third business day following the date of cancellation;
- D. minus a reasonable allowance for costs avoided by the Company as a direct result of the Customer's cancellation.

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## 2.9 Transfers and Assignments

Neither the Company nor the Customer may assign or transfer its rights or duties in connection with the services and facilities provided by the Company without the written consent of the other party, except that the Company may assign its rights and duties:

- 2.9.1 to any subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of the Company; or
- 2.9.2 pursuant to any sale or transfer of substantially all the assets of the Company; or
- 2.9.3 pursuant to any financing, merger or reorganization of the Company.

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### 2.10 Customer Liability for Unauthorized Use of the Network

Unauthorized use of the network occurs when a person or entity that does not have actual, apparent or implied authority to use the network, obtains the Company's services provided under this Tariff.

#### 2.10.1 Customer Liability for Fraud and Unauthorized Use of the Network

- A. The Customer is liable for the unauthorized use of the network obtained through the fraudulent use of a Company calling card, if such a card is offered by the Company, or an accepted credit card, provided that the unauthorized use occurs before the Company has been notified.
- B. A Company calling card is a telephone calling card issued by the Company at the Customer's request, which enables the Customer or user(s) authorized by the Customer to place calls over the Network and to have the charges for such calls billed to the Customer's account.

An accepted credit card is any credit card that a cardholder has requested or applied to and received, or has signed, used, or authorized another person to use to obtain credit. Any credit card issued as a renewal or substitute in accordance with this paragraph is an accepted credit card when received by the cardholder.

- C. The Customer must give the Company written or oral notice that an unauthorized use of a Company calling card or an accepted credit card has occurred or may occur as a result of loss and/or theft.
- D. The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for calling card services furnished to the Customer or to users authorized by the Customer to use service provided under this rate sheet, unless due to the negligence of the Company. This responsibility is not changed due to any use, misuse or abuse of the Customer's service or Customer-provided equipment by third parties, the Customer's employees, or the public.

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#### 2.11 Notices and Communications

- 2.11.1 The Customer shall designate on the Service Order an address to which the Company shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that the Customer may also designate a separate address to which the Company's bills for service shall be mailed.
- 2.11.2 The Company shall designate on the Service Order an address to which the Customer shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that Company may designate a separate address on each bill for service to which the Customer shall mail payment on that bill.
- 2.11.3 Except as otherwise stated in this Tariff, all notices or other communications required to be given pursuant to this Tariff will be in writing. Notices and other communications of either party, and all bills mailed by the Company, shall be presumed to have been delivered to the other party on the third business day following placement of the notice, communication or bill with the U.S. Mail or a private delivery service, prepaid and properly addressed, or when actually received or refused by the addressee, whichever occurs first.
- 2.11.4 The Company or the Customer shall advise the other party of any changes to the addresses designated for notices, other communications or billing, by following the procedures for giving notice set forth herein.

#### 2.12 Taxes, Fees and Surcharges

The Company reserves the right to bill any and all applicable taxes, fees and surcharges in addition to the normal rates and charges for services provided to the Customer. Taxes and fees include, but are not limited to, Federal Excise Tax, State Sales Tax, and Municipal Tax. Unless otherwise specified in this tariff, such taxes, fees and surcharges are in addition to rates as quoted in this tariff and will be itemized separately on Customer invoices.

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#### 2.13 Miscellaneous Provisions

## 2.13.1 Telephone Number Changes

Whenever any Customer's telephone number is changed after a directory is published, the Company shall intercept all calls to the former number for at least one hundred and twenty (120) days and give the calling party the new number provided existing central office equipment will permit, and the Customer so desires.

When service in an existing location is continued for a new Customer, the existing telephone number may be retained by the new Customer only if the former Customer consents in writing, and if all charges against the account are paid or assumed by the new Customer.

#### 2.13.2 Maintenance and Operations Records

Records of various tests and inspections, to include non-routine corrective maintenance actions or monthly traffic analysis summaries for network administration, necessary for the purposes of the Company or to fulfill the requirements of Commission rules shall be kept on file in the office of the Company as required under Commission rules.

#### 2.13.3 Marketing

As a telephone utility under the regulation of the Michigan Public Service Commission, the Company hereby asserts and affirms that as a reseller of intrastate service, the Company will not indulge or participate in deceptive or misleading telecommunications marketing practices to the detriment of consumers in Michigan, and the Company will comply with those marketing practices, if any, set forth by the Commission. Additionally, the Company will be responsible for the marketing practices of its contracted telemarketers for compliance with the provision. The Company understands that violation of this provision could result in a rule to Show Cause as to the withdrawal of its certification to complete intrastate telecommunications traffic within the State of Michigan.

#### 2.14 Customer Responsibility

## A. Cancellation by Customer

Customers may cancel service verbally or in writing. The Company shall hold the Customer responsible for payment of all charges, including fixed fees, surcharges, etc., which accrue up to the cancellation date. Customers that cancel the primary local exchange line will have the entire Account disconnected, including any secondary line and all associated features. In the event the Customer executes a term commitment agreement with the Company, the Customer must cancel service and terminate the agreement in accordance with the agreement terms.

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#### **SECTION 3 – SERVICE AREAS**

## 3.1 Exchange Service Areas

Local exchange services are provided, subject to availability of facilities and equipment, in areas currently served by the following Incumbent LECs: 1) AT&T Michigan.

#### 3.2 Rate Groups

Charges for local services provided by the Company in certain areas may be based, in part, on the Rate Group associated with the Customer's End Office. The Rate Group is determined by the total access lines and PBX trunks in the local calling area which can be reached from each End Office.

In the event that an Incumbent LEC or the Michigan Public Service Commission reclassifies an exchange or End Office from one Rate Group to another, the reclassification will also apply to inContact, Inc. customers who purchase services under this tariff. Local calling areas and Rate Group assignments are equivalent to those areas and groups specified in AT&T Michigan Tariff No. 20R.

	Exchange Access Lines and PBX Trunks in Local
Rate Group	Calling Area – Upper Limit
1	0 to 7,000
2	7,001 to 15,000
3	15,001 to 28,500
4	28,501 to 50,000
5	50,001 to 78,000
6	78,001 to 125,000
7	125,000 up

## 3.3 Exchange Listings

Exchange Listings and Local calling areas are equivalent to those areas and groups specified in AT&T Michigan Tariff No. 20R.

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# 3.4 Legal Descriptions and Maps

The Company hereby mirrors the Map and Legal Description tariffs of the exchanges, by Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier, listed below to identify its service territory. Any future modifications to these exchange boundaries or legal descriptions of these boundaries will be automatically mirrored by the Company on a going forward basis. If not mirrored, new detailed maps and legal descriptions on an individual exchange basis will be filed with the MPSC for approval.

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## **Exchange** Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier

Ada	AT&T Michigan
Akron	AT&T Michigan
Albion	AT&T Michigan
Alto	AT&T Michigan
Algonac	AT&T Michigan
Amasa	AT&T Michigan
Ann Arbor	AT&T Michigan
Applegate	AT&T Michigan
Armada	AT&T Michigan
Athens	AT&T Michigan
Auburn	AT&T Michigan
Auburn Heights	AT&T Michigan
Bad Axe	AT&T Michigan
Baldwin	AT&T Michigan
Bark River	AT&T Michigan
Battle Creek	AT&T Michigan
Bay City	AT&T Michigan
Bay Port	AT&T Michigan
Beaverton	AT&T Michigan
Belding	AT&T Michigan
Belleville	AT&T Michigan
Bellevue	AT&T Michigan
Benton Harbor	AT&T Michigan
Bergland	AT&T Michigan
Berrien Springs	AT&T Michigan
Bessemer	AT&T Michigan
Beulah	AT&T Michigan
Big Bay	AT&T Michigan
Big Rapids	AT&T Michigan
Birch Run	AT&T Michigan
Birmingham	AT&T Michigan
Boyne City	AT&T Michigan
Brevort	AT&T Michigan
Brighton	AT&T Michigan
Buchanan	AT&T Michigan
Byron	AT&T Michigan
Byron Center	AT&T Michigan

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### 3.4 Legal Descriptions and Maps (Cont'd)

## **Exchange** Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier

AT&T Michigan Cadillac Caledonia AT&T Michigan Calumet AT&T Michigan Carleton AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Carsonville Casnovia AT&T Michigan Cedar Springs AT&T Michigan Center Line AT&T Michigan Champion AT&T Michigan Channing AT&T Michigan Charlevoix AT&T Michigan Charlotte AT&T Michigan Cheboygan AT&T Michigan Chelsea AT&T Michigan Clare AT&T Michigan Clarklake AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Clarkston Clarksville AT&T Michigan Clio-Mt. Morris AT&T Michigan Coleman AT&T Michigan Coloma AT&T Michigan Commerce AT&T Michigan Coral AT&T Michigan Cornell AT&T Michigan Croswell AT&T Michigan Crystal Falls AT&T Michigan Curtis AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Dansville Detroit AT&T Michigan Dexter AT&T Michigan Dimondale AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Dorr AT&T Michigan **Drayton Plains** Dutton AT&T Michigan East Jordan AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan East Tawas Eaton Rapids AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Eau Claire AT&T Michigan Elk Rapids Engadine AT&T Michigan Escanaba AT&T Michigan **Evart** AT&T Michigan

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#### 3.4 Legal Descriptions and Maps (Cont'd)

## Exchange Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier

Fairgrove AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Farmington Farwell AT&T Michigan Fenton AT&T Michigan Fife Lake AT&T Michigan Flat Rock AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Flint Flushing AT&T Michigan Fountain AT&T Michigan Fowlerville AT&T Michigan Frankenmuth AT&T Michigan Frankfort AT&T Michigan Freeland AT&T Michigan Freeport AT&T Michigan Freesoil AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Fremont AT&T Michigan Fulton AT&T Michigan Gagetown Galesburg AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Galien AT&T Michigan Gladstone Gladwin AT&T Michigan Grand Blanc AT&T Michigan Grand Haven AT&T Michigan **Grand Rapids** AT&T Michigan Grant AT&T Michigan Grattan AT&T Michigan Greenville AT&T Michigan Gwinn AT&T Michigan **Harbor Springs** AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Harrietta Harrison AT&T Michigan Hartland AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Hastings Hermansville AT&T Michigan Hillsdale AT&T Michigan Holland AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Holly Holt AT&T Michigan **Hopkins** AT&T Michigan Houghton AT&T Michigan Howell AT&T Michigan Hudsonville AT&T Michigan

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## 3.4 Legal Descriptions and Maps (Cont'd)

## Exchange Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier

Indian River AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Interlochen AT&T Michigan Ionia Iron Mountain AT&T Michigan Iron River AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Irons AT&T Michigan Ironwood Ishpeming AT&T Michigan Jackson AT&T Michigan Jamestown AT&T Michigan Jonesville AT&T Michigan Kalamazoo AT&T Michigan Kalkaska AT&T Michigan Kent City AT&T Michigan Keweenaw AT&T Michigan Lake Leelanau AT&T Michigan Lake Linden AT&T Michigan Lake Odessa AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Lake Orion AT&T Michigan Lansing Lapeer AT&T Michigan Le Roy AT&T Michigan Leslie AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Lexington Linwood AT&T Michigan Livonia AT&T Michigan Lowell AT&T Michigan Luther AT&T Michigan Mackinac Island AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Mackinac City Mancelona AT&T Michigan Manchester AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Manistee AT&T Michigan Manton AT&T Michigan Marine City Marion AT&T Michigan Marne AT&T Michigan Marquette AT&T Michigan Marshall AT&T Michigan Martin AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Mason Mayville AT&T Michigan Mc Bain AT&T Michigan

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#### 3.4 Legal Descriptions and Maps (Cont'd)

#### **Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier Exchange**

Menominee AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Michigamme Middleville AT&T Michigan Midland AT&T Michigan Milan AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Moline AT&T Michigan Monroe Morley AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Mt. Clemens AT&T Michigan Mulliken Napoleon AT&T Michigan Nashville AT&T Michigan Negaunee AT&T Michigan Newaygo AT&T Michigan New Baltimore AT&T Michigan Newberry AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan New Boston New Buffalo AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan New Haven AT&T Michigan Niles Northport AT&T Michigan Northville AT&T Michigan Norway AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Olivet Onekama AT&T Michigan Oscoda AT&T Michigan Otsego AT&T Michigan Owendale AT&T Michigan Oxford AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Peck Pellston AT&T Michigan Perkins AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Petoskey AT&T Michigan Pinckney Plainwell AT&T Michigan Plymouth AT&T Michigan Pontiac AT&T Michigan Port Huron AT&T Michigan Portland AT&T Michigan Port Sanilac AT&T Michigan Potterville AT&T Michigan **Powers** AT&T Michigan

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## 3.4 Legal Descriptions and Maps (Cont'd)

## **Exchange** Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier

Rapid River AT&T Michigan Reed City AT&T Michigan Reese AT&T Michigan Republic AT&T Michigan Richland AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Rochester AT&T Michigan Rock Rockford AT&T Michigan Rockwood AT&T Michigan Romeo AT&T Michigan Romulus AT&T Michigan Rosebush AT&T Michigan Roseville AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Royal Oak Saginaw AT&T Michigan St. Charles AT&T Michigan St. Clair AT&T Michigan St. Helen AT&T Michigan St. Ignace AT&T Michigan St. Joseph AT&T Michigan Sand Lake AT&T Michigan Sandusky AT&T Michigan Saranac AT&T Michigan Sault Ste. Marie AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Scotts Scottville AT&T Michigan Sebawaing AT&T Michigan Snover AT&T Michigan Southfield AT&T Michigan South Lyon AT&T Michigan Sparta AT&T Michigan Standish AT&T Michigan Stephenson AT&T Michigan Three Oaks AT&T Michigan AT&T Michigan Traverse City AT&T Michigan Trenton Trout Lake AT&T Michigan Troy AT&T Michigan Trufant AT&T Michigan Tustin AT&T Michigan Ubly AT&T Michigan Unionville AT&T Michigan Utica AT&T Michigan

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## 3.4 Legal Descriptions and Maps (Cont'd)

**Exchange** 

Zeeland

Vassar	AT&T Michigan
Vermontville	AT&T Michigan
Vicksburg	AT&T Michigan
Wakefield	AT&T Michigan
Walled Lake	AT&T Michigan
Walloon Lake	AT&T Michigan
Warren	AT&T Michigan
Washington	AT&T Michigan
Watersmeet	AT&T Michigan
Watervliet	AT&T Michigan
Wayland	AT&T Michigan
Wayne	AT&T Michigan
West Bloomfield	AT&T Michigan
West Branch	AT&T Michigan
White Cloud	AT&T Michigan
Whitmore Lake	AT&T Michigan
Williamsburg	AT&T Michigan
Willis	AT&T Michigan
Wolverine	AT&T Michigan
Wyandotte	AT&T Michigan
Ypsilanti	AT&T Michigan

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#### **SECTION 4 – BASIC SERVICES AND RATES**

## 4.1 Call Timing for Usage Sensitive Services

Where charges for a service are specified based on the duration of use, such as the duration of a telephone call, the following rules apply:

- **4.1.1** Calls are measured in durational increments identified for each service. All calls which are fractions of a measurement increment are rounded up to the next whole unit.
- **4.1.2** Timing on completed calls begins when the call is answered by the called party. Answering is determined by hardware answer supervision in all cases where this signaling is provided by the terminating local carrier and any intermediate carrier(s).
- **4.1.3** Timing terminates on all calls when the calling party hangs up or the Company's network receives an off-hook signal from the terminating carrier.

## 4.2 Distance Calculations

The Company does not offer distance sensitive services.

#### 4.3 Rate Periods for Time of Day Sensitive Services

The Company does not offer time of day sensitive services.

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## SECTION 4 – BASIC SERVICES AND RATES (CONT'D)

#### 4.4 Local Exchange Service

#### 4.4.1 General

The Company offers Basic Local Service to customers seeking basic local exchange services. Voice Mail and other Custom Calling Features are available to Basic Local Service customers by selecting such services a la carte.

The Company provides Customers with the option of obtaining a Primary Line and Secondary Line per account:

## A. Primary Line

The initial local exchange access line per account.

## B. Secondary Line

The second or additional local exchange access line, billed to the same address as the Primary Line, the Secondary Line will share the monthly call allowance with the Primary Line. The Secondary Line does not automatically include or share any Custom Calling Features. Feature Packages may be purchased separately.

Should a Customer with both lines opt to disconnect the Primary Line, the remaining Secondary Line will automatically convert to a Primary Line with all features and functionality of such, and at the Primary Line monthly recurring rate.

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## SECTION 4 – BASIC SERVICES AND RATES (CONT'D)

### 4.5 Local Dial Tone Service

#### 4.5.1 General

The Company offers local dial tone service to customers in the Exchange Areas of the ILECs listed in Section 3.1. Local dial tone service allows customers to initiate and terminate calls within their local calling areas.

#### 4.5.2 Rates

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Α.	Service	Connection	Fee. one-fime	charge per line:

Primary Line	• •	\$19.95
Secondary Line		\$19.95

## B. Monthly Rate

Primary Line	\$34.95
Secondary Line	\$34.95

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#### SECTION 4 – BASIC SERVICES AND RATES (CONT'D)

#### 4.6 Basic Local Service Package

#### 4.6.1 General

Basic Local Service Package provides customers with local dial tone service and includes the Customer Calling features listed below:

<u>Caller ID</u> – Allows a Customer to see a caller's number previewed on a display screen before the call is answered. Caller ID requires the use of specialized CPE not provided by the Company.

<u>Call Waiting</u> - Call Waiting provides a tone signal to indicate to a Customer already engaged in a telephone call that a second caller is attempting to dial in. This feature permits the Customer to place the first call on hold, answer the second call and then alternate between both calls.

<u>Three Way Calling</u> – Permits the Customer to add a third party to an established connection. When the third party answers, a two-way conversation can be held before adding the original party for a three-way conference.

#### 4.6.2 Rates

A. Service Connection Fee, one-time charge per line:

Primary Line \$29.95 Secondary Line \$39.95

B. Monthly Rate

Primary Line \$44.95 Secondary Line \$44.95

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#### 4.7 inContact<sup>TM</sup> Services

#### 4.7.1 Local Inbound Service

#### A. Description

Local Inbound service is offered to business customers in conjunction with the Company's inContact<sup>TM</sup> call center solution. Local Inbound service transports local calls originated on the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) and terminates them to IP endpoints.

Local Inbound calls can be placed into the Company's network via Company-assigned (native) or customer-ported local telephone numbers. Once a call is placed, it is converted to Internet Protocol (IP). IP media is transported over the Company's network to a customer's IP Voice application and results in a handoff via Session Initiated Protocol (SIP) over Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) or User Datagram Protocol (UDP) to Edge Proxy Server(s) or Softswitch(s).

#### B. Regulations and Limitations

Local Inbound Service is intended for use as an inbound-only service, and does not support any outbound calling capability, including, but not limited to, calls to 911.

Customer is strictly prohibited from using (or reconfiguring to support such use) either the service or any telephone numbers (TNs) obtained through purchase of the service in connection with any outbound calls placed by Customer or Customer's end users.

Local Inbound Service is available to customers in a Flat-rate plan.

## C. Availability

Local Inbound Service is available to customers in Exchange Areas within the Company's local service footprint.

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## 4.7 inContact Services (Cont'd)

## 4.7.1 Local Inbound Service (Cont'd)

D. Rates and Charges

(1) Initial service installation charge:

Per Customer/Non-Recurring

Flat-rate service plan: \$100.00

(2) Telephone Number charges:

Per TN/Non-Recurring

Native/Non-Ported ANI

Flat-rate service plan: \$1.50

Ported ANI

Flat-rate service plan: \$30.00

(3) Monthly Line charge:

Monthly Charge per TN

Flat-rate service plan: \$30.00

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#### 4.7 inContact Services (Cont'd)

#### 4.7.2 Local Two-Way Service

#### A. Description

Local Two-Way Service is offered to business customers in conjunction with the Company's inContact<sup>TM</sup> call center solution. Local Two-Way service provides a customer with a single, voice-grade telephonic communications channel which can be used to place and/or receive calls. Local Two-Way lines are provided for connection of customer-provided single station sets or facsimile machines to the Public Switched Telephone Network.

Local Two-Way Service calls can be placed into the Company's network via Company-assigned (native) or customer-ported local telephone numbers.

Local Two-Way Service is available at flat monthly rates and allows customers to make unlimited calls within their local calling area, as defined herein.

#### **B.** Optional Features

Local Two-Way Service has the following calling features available at the customer's option –

Caller ID
Call Waiting
Call Waiting ID (deluxe)
Call Forwarding
3-Way Calling
Call Rejection
Last Call Return (\*69)

Directory Assistance and Operator Service charges apply as set forth in Section 4.6 of this tariff.

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### 4.8 Lifeline Program

## 4.8.1 Description

- A. Lifeline applies discounts to monthly recurring rates for qualifying residential customers. These discounts are applied to existing rates and charges for residential telephone service.
- B. In order to be eligible for Lifeline, a residential customer's annual household income must be at or below 150% of the poverty level, as determined by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and as approved by the State treasurer or the person must participate in one of the following programs:
  - Medicaid
  - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Food Stamps
  - Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
  - Federal Public Housing Assistance/Section 8
  - Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
  - National School Lunch Program's free lunch program
  - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) aka Family Independence Program

In addition to the criteria above, applicants residing on Tribal Lands [referenced in Title 25 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 20.1, paragraph (v)] may also qualify if they participate in one of the following federal assistance programs:

- Bureau of Indian Affairs general assistance
- Tribally administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Head Start (must meet program's income qualifying standard)
- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations

Applicants residing on tribal lands must sign under penalty of perjury that he/she resides on a reservation, as defined in Title 25 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 20.1, paragraph (v), and receives benefits from at least one of the programs referenced above. The Tribal Lands Applicant also must agree to notify the Company if they cease to participate in the program.

- C. Other services can be provided with Lifeline at applicable rates and charges.
- D. Proof of eligibility will be required for all initial lifeline applicants and all lifeline recipients will be required to re-certify every year.

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#### SECTION 4 – EXCHANGE ACCESS SERVICES (CONT'D)

### 4.8 Lifeline Program (Cont'd)

### 4.8.2 Regulations

- A. Regulations specified elsewhere in the Company's tariffs apply to Lifeline.
- B. Lifeline is available only with residential services, excluding foreign exchange service. Lifeline is limited to a single subscription per household where household is defined to be any individual or group of individuals who are living together at the same address as one economic unit. For the purposes of this rule, an economic unit consists of all adult individuals contributing to and sharing in the income and expenses of a household.
- C. A miscellaneous service charge does not apply when Lifeline is added or discontinued to existing service when that is the only work being done.
- D. The Lifeline plan will apply after receipt and processing of a completed Lifeline application, including documentation indicating that the household income meets the eligibility standards established above.
- E. Customers of Lifeline must notify the Company of any changes which would affect qualification. Recertification of eligibility will take place on an ongoing basis. When the customer is no longer eligible for Lifeline service, the Lifeline discount will be discontinued and regular rates and charges will apply.
- F. As a participant in Lifeline, customers are eligible to receive toll blocking service at no charge. This service will only be provided at the customer's request. Toll blocking service is defined as a central office service that restricts access to the network. Toll blocking is provided where facilities permit and will not allow 1+, 0+, 0-, 101XXXX, 900, or interzone calls to be completed. Toll blocking does not restrict local calls, calls to intraNPA directory assistance, telephone repair service, 911, or calls to 800 or 950 numbers.
- G. Local service deposit requirements will be waived for customers who voluntarily receive Toll Blocking Service.
- H. Participants in Lifeline shall not be disconnected from local service for nonpayment of toll charges. In addition, the Company will not deny re-establishment of local service to customers who are eligible for Lifeline and have previously been disconnected for nonpayment of toll charges.

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#### SECTION 4 – EXCHANGE ACCESS SERVICES (CONT'D)

## 4.8 Lifeline Program (Cont'd)

### 4.8.3 Monthly Rates and Discounts

A. The discount on the monthly rate for residential exchange service for qualified Lifeline customers shall be \$9.25. Credits are applied to the end user's basic local exchange service. At no time shall the total Lifeline credit exceed the sum of the end user common line charge and the basic local exchange rate. The discount on the monthly rate for residential exchange service for qualified Lifeline customers 65 years of age or more shall be \$12.35. Credits are applied to the end user's basic local exchange service. At no time shall the total Lifeline credit exceed the sum of the end-user common line charge and the basic local exchange rate. Qualified participants residing on tribal lands will receive, in addition to the discounts listed above, an additional federal approved reduction of up to \$25.00 applied to the monthly local service rate.

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#### SECTION 5 - MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES AND RATES

## 5.1 Service Change Charges

Non-recurring charges apply to processing Service Orders for new service, for changes in service, and for changes in the Customer's primary interexchange carrier (PIC) code.

#### **5.1.1** Service Order Charges

<u>Transfer of Service Charge, Primary Line</u> – applies to the first line of a Transfer of Service Order (TOS), when a customer requests a move or change in physical location. This charge applies whether a customer changes telephone number or not. If, in addition, the Customer requests the telephone number be changed, a separate charge may apply.

<u>Transfer of Service Charge, Secondary Line</u> – applies to the second, or third, etc., line of a Transfer of Service Order (TOS), when a customer requests a move or change in physical location. This charge applies whether a customer changes telephone number or not. If, in addition, the Customer requests the telephone number be changed, a separate charge may apply.

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#### SECTION 5 – MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES AND RATES (CONT'D)

## 5.1 Service Order and Change Charges (Cont'd)

## **5.1.2** Change Order Charges

Change Order Charges apply to work associated with providing exchange line service or customer-requested changes to existing services. One charge applies for each change order requested by the customer. If multiple changes listed below are requested by the Customer and occur on the same order/request one charge only applies. A Change Order Service Charge applies to the following customer-initiated changes:

<u>Custom Calling Feature Change Order</u> – applies when a Customer requests a change, adding or removing a custom calling feature.

<u>Toll Restriction Fee Order</u> – applies when a Customer requests a change, adding or removing Toll Restriction Service.

<u>Telephone Number Change Order</u> – applies to each telephone number change request/order.

<u>Listing Change Charge</u> – applies when a Customer requests/orders a change to add or delete a white pages listing or requests a change to add/delete listings. This charge also applies to request for Non-Published or Non-Listed numbers.

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## 5.1 Service Order and Change Charges (Cont'd)

## **5.1.3** Rates

Service Order Charges	Charge
Primary Service Connection Charge	*
Secondary Service Connection Charge	*
Transfer of Service Charge, Primary Line	\$40.00
Transfer of Service Charge, Secondary Line	\$20.00
Service Order Charge	N/A
Change Order Service Charges	
Custom Calling Feature Change Order	\$15.00
Toll Restriction Fee Order	\$5.00
Telephone Number Change Order	\$5.00
Listing Change Charge	\$5.00

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<sup>\*</sup>Service Connection charges are listed with the rates for each specific service tariffed.

#### 5.2 Restoration of Service

A restoration charge applies to the restoration of suspended service and facilities because of nonpayment of bills and is payable at the time that the restoration of the suspended service and facilities is arranged. The restoration charge does not apply when, after disconnection of service, service is later re-installed.

Per occasion \$25.00

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#### 5.4 Public 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 intrastate calls that originate from any pay telephone used to access Company provided services. This surcharge, which is in addition to standard tariffed usage charges and any applicable service charges and surcharges associated with service, applies for the use of the instrument used to access Company provided 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 interexchange carriers. The Public Pay Telephone Surcharge applies to the initial completed call and any reoriginated call (e.g., using the "#" symbol). 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.

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.

Rate Per Call: \$0.60

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#### SECTION 5 – MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES AND RATES (CONT'D)

### **5.5** Custom Calling Features

The features in this section are made available to Residential Customers on a per use basis. All features are provided subject to availability. Customers may utilize each feature by dialing the appropriate access code. The Customer will be billed the per feature activation charge shown in the table below each time a feature is used by the Customer. Transmission levels for calls forwarded or calls placed or received using optional calling features may not be acceptable for all or some uses in some cases.

#### **5.5.1** Feature Descriptions

<u>Call Forwarding – Fixed, Busy Line No Answer</u> – This feature, when activated, redirects attempted terminating calls to another Customer-specified line. Call originating ability is not affected by Call Forwarding – Fixed, Busy Line No Answer. The calling party is billed for the call to the called number. If the forwarded leg of the call is chargeable, the Customer with the Call Forwarding – Fixed, Busy Line No Answer is billed for the forwarded leg of the call. Calls cannot be transferred to an International Direct Distance Dialing number.

<u>Speed Calling</u> – This feature allows a user to dial selected numbers by means of an abbreviated code. This feature is available in either an 8 number or a 30 number capacity. The Speed Calling list can only accommodate a number consisting of 15 digits or less.

<u>Caller ID</u> - Allows a Customer to see a caller's telephone number previewed on a display screen before the call is answered. Caller ID requires the use of specialized CPE not provided by the Company

<u>Caller ID with Name</u> – Allows a Customer to see a caller's name and number previewed on a display screen before the call is answered. Caller ID with Name requires the use of specialized CPE not provided by the Company.

<u>Call Forwarding</u> – A Customer activated feature that automatically transfers all incoming calls from the Customer's telephone number to another dialable telephone number until the Customer deactivates the feature. If forwarded to a long distance number the Subscriber will incur the long distance charges.

<u>Call Trace</u> – Allows a called party to initiate an automatic trace of the last call received. Call Trace is available on a usage basis only.

<u>Call Blocking</u> – Allows Customer to block calls from different telephone numbers. A screening list is created by Customer either by adding the last number associated with the line (incoming or outgoing) or by pre-selecting the telephone number to be blocked. Callers from such numbers hear an announcement that the calling party is not accepting calls and Customer's phone will not ring.

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#### 5.5 Custom Calling Features

## 5.5.1 Feature Descriptions (Cont'd)

<u>Call Waiting</u> - Call Waiting provides a tone signal to indicate to a Customer already engaged in a telephone call that a second caller is attempting to dial in. This feature permits the Customer to place the first call on hold, answer the second call and then alternate between both calls.

<u>Call Waiting with Caller ID with Name</u> – Call Waiting with Caller ID with Name provides a tone signal to indicate to a Customer already engaged in a telephone call that a second caller is attempting to dial in and allows a Customer to see a caller's name and number previewed on a display screen. This feature permits the Customer to place the first call on hold, answer the second call and then alternate between both calls.

<u>Three Way Calling</u> – Permits the Customer to add a third party to an established connection. When the third party answers, a two-way conversation can be held before adding the original party for a three-way conference.

<u>Call Return</u> - Allows Customer to automatically dial the number of last incoming call, whether or not Customer answered phone.

Anonymous Call Rejection - Allows you to refuse calls from those who have blocked their numbers.

<u>Selective Call Rejection</u> – Allows you to refuse calls from selected list of numbers.

Repeat/Auto Dial – A feature that, when activated, automatically checks a busy number and when the line is free, rings the Customer back and completes the call.

<u>Caller Identification Blocking</u>: Allows the name and number of the calling party to be blocked from being transmitted when placing outbound calls.

<u>Per Call Blocking</u>: To activate per-call blocking, a Customer dials a special code prior to placing a call. Blocking will be activated for that outgoing call only. There is no charge for using per call blocking, and it is provided on an unlimited basis.

<u>Per Line Blocking</u>: When blocking is established on the line, it can be deactivated by dialing a code before each call. This one call unblock allows the name and/or number to be sent for that one call only. There is no charge for per line blocking.

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## SECTION 5 – MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES AND RATES (CONT'D)

## **5.5** Custom Calling Features

## **5.5.2** Rates

FEATURE	RATE	BILLED
Call Forwarding	\$3.50	MRC
Speed Calling	\$3.50	MRC
Caller ID	\$7.95	MRC
Caller ID with Name	\$10.95	MRC
Call Trace	\$0.50	Per use
Call Blocking	\$2.50	MRC
Call Waiting	\$4.50	MRC
Call Waiting with Caller ID with Name	\$12.95	MRC
Three Way Calling	\$4.25 \$0.75	MRC Per use
Last Call Return (*69)	\$4.40 \$0.75	MRC Per use
Anonymous Call Rejection	\$2.50	MRC
Manual Call Rejection	\$0.85	Per use
Repeat/Auto Dial	\$0.50	Per use
Caller Identification Blocking	\$0.50	Per use
Per Call Blocking	No charge	
Per Line Blocking	No charge	

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### 5.6 Directory Assistance and Operator Services

A Customer may obtain assistance, for a charge, in determining a telephone number by dialing Directory Assistance Service.

## **5.6.1** Basic Directory Assistance

The rates specified following apply when Customers request Company assistance in determining telephone numbers of Customers who are located within the State.

A maximum of three (3) requested telephone numbers are allowed per call.

## A. Exemptions

A business or residence main telephone exchange line may be registered for exemption from Directory Assistance charges where one of the users of the line is considered to be legally blind, visually or physically handicapped, or where the user's handicap prevents the dialing of a telephone in a conventional manner or permits only the dialing of "0." Requests for exemption must be accompanied by certification of the handicap. Acceptable certifications include those signed by a physician, issued by a state agency qualified to certify such handicaps or pre-existing certifications establishing visual or physical inability to use a directory such as those which qualify the handicapped person for an income tax exemption or social security benefits on the basis of blindness or physical disability or for use of the facilities of any agency for the blind.

#### B. Allowances

There are no call allowances for Directory Assistance Service.

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## 5.6 Directory Assistance and Operator Services (Cont'd)

## **5.6.1** Directory Assistance Rates

Per Use Charge

Direct dialed, local

\$0.85

## **5.6.2** Operator Service Rates

The Company provides operator services to its customers pursuant to agreement with a third party operator services provider. The following per call surcharges apply to all calls requesting Company's operator services assistance.

Per Use Surcharge

Station-to-station, local \$0.85

Person-to-person, local \$2.50

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#### 5.7 Busy Line Verification and Emergency Interrupt Service

Upon request of a calling party, the Company will verify a busy condition on a designated local service line. The operator will determine if the line is clear or in use and report to the calling party. At the request of the Customer, the operator will interrupt the call on the busy line. Emergency Interruption is only permitted in cases where the calling party indicates an emergency exists and requests interruption and is performed once the line status has been determined through the Busy Line Verification process.

If the Customer has the operator interrupt a call, both the Busy Line Verification and the Emergency Interrupt charge will apply.

No charge will apply when the calling party advises that the call is to or from an official public emergency agency. Busy Verification and Interrupt Service is furnished where and to the extent that facilities permit.

The Customer shall indemnify and save the Company harmless against all claims that may arise from either party to the interrupted call or any person.

Busy Line Verification, each occasion	<u>Per Call</u> \$2.00
Emergency Interruption	\$2.50

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### 5.8 Directory Listing Service

#### 5.8.1 General

The following rates and regulations apply to standard listings in light face type in the white pages (alphabetical section) of the telephone directory and to the Directory Assistance records of the Company.

Directory listings are limited to such information as is essential to the identification of the listed party. The listing of a service, commodity, or trade name is not permitted unless it is the name, or an integral part of the name, under which the Customer does business.

A listing is limited to one line in the directory, except where in the judgment of the Company, more than one line is required to identify the Customer properly. In such cases, the additional lines required are provided at no extra charge.

Dual name listings are permitted as a regular directory listing for residential service.

Listing services are available with all classes of main telephone exchange service.

#### 5.8.2 Listings

## A. Primary Listing

One listing, termed the primary listing, is included with each exchange access line and each joint user.

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### 5.8 Directory Listing Service (Cont'd)

## 5.8.2 Listings (Cont'd)

#### B. Additional Listings

Additional listings may be the listings of individual names of the Customer and members of the Customer's household, tenants of residential Customers who lease the Customer's premises for less than one year and do not occupy the premises at the same time as the Customer, members of a firm, officers of a corporation, employees of the Customer or other persons associated in business with the Customer, a business which the Customer owns and cross reference and alternate number listings.

Ordinarily, all additional listings are of the same address and telephone number as the primary listings, except as provided for joint user and alternate number listings.

Special Types of Additional Listings include:

Duplicate Listings – A listing of another name by which the customer is known, such as a nickname, abbreviated name, a name commonly spelled in more than one way, and a name consisting of several words which the public commonly rearranges. The listing may be complete or in a cross-reference form.

Alternate Telephone Numbers – A listing which refers calling parties to another telephone number at certain hours or on certain days or in case no answer is received on the call to the primary number.

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#### 5.8 Directory Listing Service (Cont'd)

## 5.8.2 Listings (Cont'd)

#### C. Nonpublished Service

The telephone numbers of nonpublished service are not listed in either the Company's alphabetical directory or Directory Assistance records available to the general public.

Incoming calls to nonpublished service will be completed by the Company only when the calling party places the call by number, and no exception will be made, nor will the Customer be called to determine whether he/she wishes to receive the call, even though it appears that the calling party desires the connection because of an emergency.

The Company is not responsible for any claims made or liability arising from failure to receive calls because of this arrangement.

The Subscriber indemnifies (i.e., promises to reimburse the Company for any amount the Company must pay as a result of) and save the Company harmless against any and all claims for damages caused or claimed to have been caused, directly or indirectly, by the publication of a non-published service or the disclosing of said number to any person.

#### D. Nonlisted Service

Nonlisted service means the Customer's telephone number is not listed in the directory, but it does appear in the Company's Directory Assistance Records.

The Company is not responsible for any claims made or liability arising from failure to receive calls because of this arrangement.

The Subscriber indemnifies (i.e., promises to reimburse the Company for any amount the Company must pay as a result of) and save the Company harmless against any and all claims for damages caused or claimed to have been caused, directly or indirectly, by the publication of a nonlisted service.

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## 5.8 Directory Listing Service (Cont'd)

## 5.8.3 Rates and Charges

	Per Month
Primary Listings	\$0.00
Additional Listings	\$0.75
Nonpublished Service	\$1.50
Nonlisted Service	\$1.00
Alternate Listings	\$0.75

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## 5.9 Carrier Presubscription

#### 5.9.1 General

Carrier Presubscription is a procedure whereby a Customer designates to the Company the carrier which the Customer wishes to be the carrier of choice for intraLATA and interLATA toll calls. Such calls are automatically directed to the designated carrier, without the need to use carrier access codes or additional dialing to direct the call to the designated carrier. Presubscription does not prevent a Customer who has presubscribed to an intraLATA or interLATA toll carrier from using carrier access codes or additional dialing to direct calls to an alternative long distance carrier on a per call basis.

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#### **5.10** Toll Restriction Service

Provides for Exchange Access lines or trunks to be restricted from dialing billable toll calls. Directly dialed calls to 700/900 services and operator dialed calls billed to the line are not allowed. This arrangement does allow Calling Card calls, Collect calls, Third Number calls, and direct dialed calls to 911, Directory Assistance and Toll Free services. This service is available where facilities permit.

#### **5.10.1** Rates

	<u>Residence</u>
Nonrecurring charge, per line	*
Monthly, per line	\$8.50

\*For nonrecurring charges associated with Toll Restriction Service, see Section 5.1 of this tariff.

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