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SECTION 1A - DEFINITIONS

Bit

The term "Bit" denotes a binary digit, the smallest unit of information in a binary system of notation.

Bits per Second (Bps)

Number of bits transmitted in a one-second interval.

Channel

A path for communication between two or more telephones or Company offices, furnished in such a manner as the Company may elect, whether by wire, radio, or a combination thereof.

Customer Designated Location (CDL)

The term "Customer Designated Location" (CDL) denotes a location specified by the customer for the purpose of terminating FIA services. The Telephone Company must have access to the location to perform installation, testing, and maintenance functions. The customer may or may not have access to the location. CDLs include locations such as customer premises, end user premises, customer repeater stations, customer microwave towers, a Telephone Company's first point of switching, some other point where Telephone Company testing can occur, etc. A CDL may be designated by the customer for Switched Access, Special Access, or both in combination.

Customer Premises Equipment (CPE)

Devices or apparatus and/or their associated wiring provided by a customer. Data Information represented as characters in digital or analog form to which meaning can be assigned.

DS-1

Facilities that provide for the two-way transmission of isochronous bipolar serial data at a rate of 1.544 Mbps.

DS-3

Facilities that provide two-way transmission of isochronous bipolar serial data signals at 44.736 Mbps. The service can be provided with either an optical or electrical interface as specified by customer.

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Network Interface (NI)

The point at which a customer's data transmission first enters the network supporting Frame Relay Service is the Network Interface (NI). It is the point of interconnection between the Company communications facilities and the customer terminal equipment.

Permanent Virtual Circuit (PVC)

The term "Permanent Virtual Circuit" denotes a logical channel, defined in software, from one end user location to another. It allows a packet to be sent over a dedicated logical channel without call set up or clearing.

Port

The physical entry points for Access Lines. Ports include the electronic equipment used in connecting these service elements to the FRS Network.

Protocol

The term "Protocol" denotes a set of rules governing the format to be followed when transmitting information between communicating devices.

Service

Any or all service(s) provided by Company pursuant to this Tariff.

Service Request

The term "Service Request" denotes a document (i.e., order) used by the Company to process a customer's request for services as offered throughout this tariff.

Term Commitment

The length of time for which a customer agrees to pay for service, facilities or equipment. The payment period may be referred to as an Extended Service Plan (ESP), Optional Payment Plan (OPP), a Term Commitment Period (TCP) or Term Payment Plan (TPP).

Virtual Circuit

A logical transmission channel established to a network address. The logical channel exists for a period of time until either end of the channel terminates the transmission.