FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility

1. When Switched Transport or Special Transport service is provided by more than one utility, the utilities involved will mutually agree upon one of the billing methods based upon the type of access service and the interconnection arrangements between the utilities.

The utility will notify the customer which billing method will be used. The customer will place the ASR.

a. Single Company Billing:

The Single Company Billing method will be applied to FGA and BSA-A Switched Access Service. (C)

The utility receiving the ASR for the customer, will arrange to provide the service, determine the applicable charges and bill the customer for the entire service in accordance with its Access tariff. The airline mileage is determined using the V&H method in the Pacific Bell's Schedule Cal. P.U.C. No. 175-T.

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing:

Meet Point Billing is required when an access service is provided by multiple Utilities for FGB, FGC and FGD, BSA-B, BSA-C and BSA-D Switched Access services and Special Access. It is optional for FGA and BSA-A Switched Access Services. (C)

There are two Meet Point Billing Options -- Single Bill and Multiple Bill. The Utility must notify the customer of:

- the Meet Point Billing Option that will be used,
- the Utility(s) that will render the bill(s),
- the Utility(s) to whom payment(s) should be remitted, and
- the Utility(s) that will provide the bill inquiry function.

The Utility shall provide such notification at the time that an ASR is placed requesting access service. Additionally, the Utility shall provide this notice in writing 30 days in advance of any change.

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing: (Cont'd)

(1) Single Bill Option

The Single Bill Option allows the customer to receive one bill from one utility or its billing agent for access services.

The Utility(s) that renders the bill to the customer may provide to the customer, cross references to the other Utility(s) service and/or the common circuit identifiers based upon industry standards. Should a billing dispute arise, the terms and conditions of the Billing Company(s) will apply.

For usage rated access services the access minutes of use will be compiled by the Initial Billing Company and used by the Initial Billing Company and any subsequent Billing Company(s) for the development of access charges.

- The Initial Billing Company for FGB, FGC and FGD and BSA-B, BSA-C and BSA-D Switched Access services is normally the end user's serving office and for WATS usage the Initial Billing Company is normally the WATS serving office. When the Initial Billing Company is other than the normally designated Utility, the Utility will notify the customer. (C)

- The Subsequent Billing Company(s) is any Utility(s) in whose territory a segment of the Switched Transport is provided and/or where the CDL is located.

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd) (N)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing: (Cont'd)

(1) Single Bill Option (Cont'd)

The Single Bill option provides three billing alternatives, Single Bill/Single Tariff, Single Bill/Pass-Through Billing and Single Bill/Multiple Tariff which are described following:

(a) Single Bill/Single Tariff

Each Utility will receive an ASR or a copy of the ASR from the customer and arrange to provide the service. The Initial Billing Company will:

- determine the applicable charges and bill in accordance with its tariff;
- include all recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges of its tariff; and
- forward the bill to the customer.

The customer will remit the payment to the Initial Billing Company. (N)

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd) (N)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing: (Cont'd)

(1) Single Bill Option (Cont'd)

(b) (Reserved for Future Use) (N)

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd) (N)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing: (Cont'd)

(1) Single Bill Option (Cont'd)

(b) (Reserved for Future Use) (N)

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd) (N)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing: (Cont'd)

(1) Single Bill Option (Cont'd)

(c) Single Bill/Multiple Tariff

Each Utility will receive an ASR or a copy of the ASR from the customer and arrange to provide the service. The Initial Billing Company will:

- determine each Utility's portion of special transport;
- determine the applicable switched and/or special charges and bill in accordance with each Utility's tariff;
- include all recurring and nonrecurring charges for each involved Utility;
- identify each involved Utility's charges separately on the bill;
- forward the bill to the customer; and
- advise the customer how to remit the payment, either directly to each Utility involved in the provision of this meet point billed service; or, as a single payment made to the Initial Billing Company. If payments are to be sent directly to the Initial Billing Company, the Subsequent Billing Company(s) will provide the customer with written authorization for the payment arrangement. (N)

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd) (N)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing: (Cont'd)

(2) Multiple Bill Option

The Multiple Bill option allows all Utilities providing service to bill the customer for their portion of a jointly provided access service. Each Utility will:

- determine its portion of the Special Transport;
- determine the applicable switched and/or special charges and bill in accordance with its tariff;
- include all recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges of its tariff; and
- forward the bill to the customer.

The customer will remit the payments directly to each Utility.

When rates and charges are listed on a per unit basis, e.g., bridging or multiplexing this Utility's rates and charges will apply for units located in this Utility's operating territory.

When all utilities jointly provisioning a multipoint circuit, concur with the Utility Specified Bridging option, central office bridging will apply per designated premises and not per bridge port. (N)

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing: (Cont'd)

(3) Meet Point Billing Mileage Calculation

Each Utility's portion of the Switched Transport and/or Special Transport mileage will be determined as follows:

(a) For Switched Access Tandem-Switched Transport Services, determine the appropriate Tandem-Switched Transport - Facility total miles by computing the number of miles from the wire center that normally serves the CDL, or the access tandem if Direct-Trunked Transport is ordered directly to the access tandem*, to the serving wire center in the Access Area (i.e., end user serving wire center, or WATS Serving Office), using the V&H method as set forth in the NECA Tariff FCC No. 4. For Special Access Services, and Switched Access Direct-Trunked Transport determine the appropriate Special Transport or Direct-Trunked Transport total miles by computing the number of miles between the serving wire centers involved (i.e., CDL serving wire center, Hub Wire Center, WATS Serving Office, end office, or access tandem) using the V&H method as set forth in the NECA Tariff FCC No. 4. Where the calculated miles include a fraction, the value is rounded up to the next full mile. (T)

(b) Determine the billing percentage (BP), as set forth in the NECA Tariff FCC No. 4. This represents the portion of the Service provided by each utility.

* Due to billing constraints, the ordering of Tandem Switched Transport in conjunction with Direct-Trunked Transport is temporarily unavailable. (N)
(N)

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing: (Cont'd)

(3) Meet Point Billing Mileage Calculation - (Cont'd)

(c) For Switched Access Tandem-Switched Transport; (a) multiply the number of access minutes of use times the number of airline miles as set forth in (a), times the BP of each Utility as set forth in (b), times the Tandem-Switched Transport - Facility rate; (b) multiply the Tandem-Switched Transport - Termination rate times the number of Access minutes times the quantity of terminations. (N)

Example of Billing Percentage (BP) Method Using the Multiple Bill Option

The Tandem-Switched Transport - Facility between Office X and Office Y is jointly provided by utilities A and B. The following example reflects the rate for utility A. Rates for utility B would appear in its appropriate Access Tariff.

(A) Airline miles from utility A (office X) to utility B (office Y) = 50 airline miles as set for in NECA Tariff FCC No. 4.

(B) Billing Percentage for each utility (from NECA Tariff FCC No. 4).

Utility A = 40%
Utility B = 60%

(C) Access Minutes for Utility A = 9000. (N)

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GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing: (Cont'd)

(3) Meet Point Billing Mileage Calculation - (Cont'd)

Example of Billing Percentage (BP) Method Using the Multiple Bill Option - (Cont'd) (N)

(D) Tandem-Switched Transport - Facility rate for Utility A = SWT FAC

(E) Tandem-Switched Transport - Termination Rate = SWT TERM

NOTE: The Tandem-Switched Transport - Termination rate does not apply in situations where there is an intermediate, non-terminating Local Exchange Carrier involved in the provision of the Switched Transport Facility.

Formula:

Access Minutes (AM) x Airline Miles (ALM) x Billing Percentage (BP) x Tandem-Switched Transport - Facility Rate (SWT FAC) + [Tandem-Switched Transport - Termination Rate (SWT TERM) x Access Minutes (AM) x Quantity of Terminations (TERMS)] = Total

Calculation:

Utility A

AM		ALM		BP		SWT FAC		SWT TERM		AM		TERMS			(N)
9,000	x	50	x	.40	x	SWT FAC	+	[SWT TERM	x	9,000	x	TERMS]	=	Total	

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

G. FIA Services Provided By More Than One Utility (Cont'd)

1. (Cont'd)

b. Meet Point Billing: (Cont'd)

(3) Meet Point Billing Mileage Calculation - (Cont'd)

(d) For Special Access and for Switched Access Direct-Trunked Transport, multiply the number of airline miles as in (a), times the BP for each utility as in (b), times the Special Transport or Direct-Trunked Transport Facility rate elements. For DS1 and DS3 Special Transport and DS1 and DS3 Direct-Trunked Transport, multiply the Special Transport Termination or Direct-Trunked Transport Termination rate times the number of terminations provided by the Utility. (N)

(e) All other appropriate recurring and nonrecurring charges in each utility's Access tariff are applicable. (L)

(f) Where the Tandem-Switched Transport - Facility is provided by more than one utility, the Tandem-Switched Transport - Termination rate applies for the termination at the Utility end of the Tandem-Switched Transport (i.e., the first point of switching or the end office serving the end user). The Tandem-Switched Transport - Termination rate will not apply when the Utility is the intermediate provider of the Switched Transport Facility. (N)

(g) The Interconnection charge for Switched Transport shall be billed by the Utility in whose territory the end office is located. (N)

(L) Material previously shown on 3rd Revised Sheet 52

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