POINT TO POINT SONET SERVICE FACILITIES
REGIONS 14 AND 16

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A. AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE

Point to Point SONET Service Special Access Shared Transport, DS3 Transmux Facilities, and Riders may only be added to an in-service Company provided point to point SONET service in Region 14 (Pennsylvania) and Region 16.

B. GENERAL

Company provided point to point SONET service is provided where technically and operationally feasible as determined by the Company and provides a Customer with SONET based broadband access transport over the Company's shared SONET network. The Customer has the option to order the Service with multiplexing capability from which lesser capacity channels can be derived via Riders.

1. Shared Transport

   Shared Transport is applicable when the transport between nodes and/or Links is ordered at different bandwidth levels. Shared Transport may be ordered in bandwidths of DS1 or DS3/STS1.

2. DS3 Transmux Facility

   The Customer has the option to order a DS3 Transmux Facility which performs a DS3 to DS1 conversion. The DS3 Transmux Facility allows a single DS3 Transmux Facility to be associated with up to twenty-eight (28) Special Access DS1 riders.

   a. The DS3 Transmux Facility aggregates the facilities associated with the DS1 rider circuits as part of a higher level DS3 handoff that is dropped from multiplexed point to point SONET service.

   b. The DS3 Transmux Facility provides a two-point channelized facility between a customer designated location and the SONET Premises Node at that location.

3. Rider

   The Rider is the customer's service(s) traversing a higher bandwidth level. Riders may be provided at DS1, DS3, or STS1 bandwidth levels as required by the customer.

   Intrastate Riders may be transported on the customer's interstate Optical Networking facility.

C. DEPLOYMENT AND AVAILABILITY

The point to point SONET service DS3 Transmux Facility is provided with the service interval applicable to High Capacity Digital DS3 Service.

D. CONNECTION TO OTHER SERVICES

DS1 riders may be connected to a DS3 Transmux Facility via the multiplexed point to point SONET service facility. The Customer must specify the connecting facility assignment (**CFA**) for both the DS3 Transmux Facility and the multiplexed point to point SONET service facility. (N)

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E. APPLICATION OF RATES AND CHARGES

1. DS1 Rider rates and charges apply for each DS1 rider circuit provided over the DS3 Transmux Facility.

2. Change From DS3 Transmux Facility to a DS3 Rider or Vice Versa

   a. A change from a DS3 Transmux Facility to a DS3 rider will be treated as a discontinuance of the DS3 Transmux Facility and all of its associated riders and installation of a new DS3 rider. All associated nonrecurring charges will apply for the new DS3 rider.

   b. A change from a DS3 rider to a DS3 Transmux Facility will be treated as a discontinuance of the DS3 rider and installation of a new DS3 Transmux Facility.

3. The Transport is provided at a flat-rated monthly recurring charge. The Transport is mileage sensitive and will be calculated based on the V&H coordinates of the wire centers comprising each segment of the point to point SONET service.

4. The Rider is provided at a flat-rated monthly recurring charge and is applicable per rider circuit ordered. A Rider is not charged with a CDL Link – Single or Diverse Route – Concatenated/Non-concatenated optical interface. The Rider charges for Express Connect are included in their monthly rates.

5. In jointly provided meetpoint arrangements, Rider charges apply in addition to other applicable charges when the Company provides any OCn mux node, whether provided at the Customer Premise or in the central office.

6. Transport and Riders are provided on a month-to-month basis.

7. There is no minimum period for point to point SONET service.

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