

1. Definitions

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff are defined below.

Advance Payment: Payment of all or part of a charge required before the start of service.

Authorized User: A person, firm, corporation or other entity that either is authorized by the Customer to use local exchange telephone service or is placed in a position by the Customer, either through acts or omissions, to use local exchange telephone service.

Company: MCImetro Access Transmission Services LLC, a Delaware corporation, which is the issuer of this tariff.

Customer: The person, firm, corporation or other entity which orders service and is responsible for the payment of charges and for compliance with the Company's tariff regulations.

Dial Pulse (DP): The pulse type employed by rotary dial Station sets.

Direct Inward Dialing (DID): A service attribute that routes incoming calls directly to Stations, by-passing a central answering point.

Dual Tone Multi-Frequency ("DTMF"): The pulse type employed by tone dial Station sets.

Due Date Change: A customer-initiated request to delay the service commencement date after an order for service has been placed.

Expedite: A service order that is processed at the request of the customer in a time period shorter than the Company standard Service Interval.

1. Definitions (Cont'd)

Joint User: A person, firm or corporation designated by the Customer as a user of basic local exchange service furnished to the Customer by the Company, and to whom a portion of the charges for such facilities are billed under a joint use arrangement.

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 for the provision and administration of communications services.

Local Calling: A completed call or telephonic communication between a calling Station and any other Station within the local service area of the calling Station.

Mbps: Megabits, or millions of bits, per second.

Multi-Frequency ("MF"): An inter-machine pulse-type used for signaling between telephone switches, or between telephone switches and PBX/key systems.

Non-Qualified Commercial Affinity Group: Non-Qualified Commercial Affinity Group is an association or affiliation of business entities whose members/individuals are not organized for the sole purpose to qualify for the discounts described herein.

Non-Qualified Residential Affinity Group: Non-Qualified Residential Affinity Group is an association or affiliation of residential users whose members/individuals are not organized for the sole purpose to qualify for the discounts described herein.

on-Recurring Charges: The one-time initial charges for services or facilities, including but not limited to charges for construction, installation, or special fees, for which the Customer becomes liable at the time the Service Order is executed.

1. Definitions (Cont'd)

Off-Hook: The term "off-hook" denotes the active condition of a telephone exchange service line.

On-Hook: The term "on-hook" denotes the idle condition of a telephone exchange service line.

Presubscription - 2: An arrangement whereby a Customer may select and designate to the Company an Exchange Carrier it wished to access, within an access code, for completing intraLATA toll calls. The selected Exchange Carrier is referred to as the End User's Primary Interexchange Carrier (PIC-2).

Provider: A person or an affiliate of the person each of which for compensation provides 1 or more telecommunication services.

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

Service Commencement Date: The first day following the date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the requested service or facility is available for use, unless extended by the Customer's refusal to accept service which does not conform to standards set forth in the Service Order or this tariff, in which case the Service Commencement Date is the date of the Customer's acceptance of service. The parties may mutually agree on a substitute Service Commencement Date.

Service Order: The written request for basic local exchange services executed by the Customer and the Company in a format specified by the Company. The signing of a Service Order by the Customer and acceptance thereof by the Company initiates the respective obligations of the parties as set forth therein and pursuant to this tariff, but the duration of the service is calculated from the Service Commencement Date.

Services: The regulated and unregulated services offered to customers for the transmission of 2-way interactive communication and associated usage. A telecommunication service is not a public utility service.

1. Definitions (Cont'd)

Shared Facilities: A facility or equipment system or subsystem which can be used simultaneously by several Customers.

Station: Telecommunications equipment from or to which calls are placed.

User: A Customer or any other person authorized by the Customer to use service provided under this tariff.

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