5. Resale and Sharing
5.1 Description

Rates and charges for services explained herein are contained in Section 10.5.

5.1.0	General Restrictions on Availability	(N)
A.	Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section 5, the availability under this Tariff of services purchased for resale is subject to the limitations set forth in paragraph 1.1.0.	(N) (N)

5.1.1	General
A.	Resale is the sale to another person of telecommunications services purchased from the Telephone Company. A customer purchases for resale when such customer purchases a service for the purpose of reselling it to another (rather than the purpose of using the service itself).
1.	A purchasing agent who orders services for its principal, and who does not itself agree to assume the obligations of a reseller under this tariff, is not purchasing for resale within the meaning of this tariff.
2.	The purchase of telecommunications services under terms of this tariff for the purpose of provisioning a different service (such as the purchase of the Telephone Company's switched carrier access service for the purpose of provisioning an interexchange carrier's toll service) is not resale within the meaning of this tariff.
3.	A person purchasing a service for shared use by that person and others is purchasing for resale within the meaning of this tariff if such person agrees to assume all the obligations of a reseller under this tariff.
B.	Where a reseller purchases Telephone Company exchange service from the Telephone Company and resells it to an end user, such reseller's end user will be able to access any and all services that a Telephone Company end user would be able to access on a Telephone Company exchange service line. Such services to the extent provided by the Telephone Company will be deemed to have been sold to the reseller by the Telephone Company as they are utilized by the reseller's end user, and the reseller will be responsible to the Telephone Company for payment of such services.

5.1.2	Services Offered for Resale
A.	The services offered under this tariff are those that are offered by the Telephone Company to end users under the regulations, terms and conditions of the RI Product Guide and the PUC RI No. 15, except for public telephone service, Lifeline and Link Up America programs, and in accordance with the following limitations.
1.	Services in the RI Product Guide and PUC RI No. 15 that have been designated as no longer available for new installations or no longer offered are not offered for resale except that such services are only available for resale to the embedded base of end users who were permitted to retain such service(s) in accordance with the regulations contained in the RI Product Guide and PUC RI No. 15.
2.	Promotional programs (e.g., discounts, waivers, credits, certificates, premiums, discounted product trials or other inducements) made available to end users for a period of 90 days or less, and that are offered in order to promote the sale of a service) are offered for resale, however they are not subject to the resale discount specified in Section 5.3.

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5.1.2	Services Offered for Resale	
B.	Services that are sold to Telephone Company end users only in conjunction with the purchase of basic dial tone service will be available for resale only in conjunction with the resale of basic dial tone service and not on a stand alone basis.	
C.	**Lifeline—** The resale of Lifeline is discontinued effective February 9, 2016.	(C)
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D.	**Link Up America—** The resale of Lifeline is discontinued effective February 9, 2016.	(C)
1.		(D)
E.	**Blocking—** Resellers are allowed to purchase blocking services to restrict end user access to particular capabilities to the extent such services are available under and on the same terms and conditions as set forth in the RI Product Guide and PUC RI No. 15.	(T)

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5.2 Regulations

5.2.1	Restrictions
A.	**Class of Customer—** This is a restriction contained in PUC RI No. 15 that limits the availability of a service to a particular type of customer, such as a business customer, a residence customer, carrier, end user, etc.
1.	Where a resold service is subject to such restriction the reseller may not resell such service to any customer not in the relevant class. The reseller may purchase the service for resale to a customer in the relevant class whether or not the reseller itself is within the class.
a.	Business services may be resold to residence end users as long as the end user is served by a business exchange line and as long as all other services provided on that line are also under the business class and charged for at the appropriate business service rates and charges.
2.	Where a reseller resells a service to another person, and such other person is itself a reseller rather than an end user, the reseller purchasing from the Telephone Company must require its end users (by tariff or by contract), to conform to any applicable class of service restrictions for end users and all other requirements of resellers under this tariff.
B.	The reseller is not allowed to offer resold service to its customers under any of the Telephone Company trademarks, service marks, registered trademarks, registered service marks or brand-names, or use the logos of the Telephone Company or the Telephone Company's affiliates without the expressed written authorization of the Telephone Company. In addition, a reseller is not allowed to use the Telephone Company name, logos, trademarks, service marks, registered trademarks, registered service marks and brand-names in its marketing materials and in marketing communications (e.g., radio advertisement).
C.	Aggregation of traffic by a reseller is subject to the terms and conditions contained in PUC RI No. 15 applicable to the underlying telecommunications service(s) being resold.

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5.3 Application of Rates and Charges

5.3.1	Underlying Services	
A.	**Discount—** The rates and charges that apply for the underlying services that are sold to a reseller in accordance with the terms and conditions described in this tariff, are specified in PUC RI No. 15. The Telephone Company will discount the PUC RI No. 15 rates and charges by applying the resale discounts specified in Section 10 to the applicable PUC RI No. 15 rates and charges for resold services offered under this tariff in accordance with Section 5.1.2.	
1.	**Surcharges—** Neither the 911 nor the TDD surcharges are subject to a resale discount.	(C)

5.3.2	Service Establishment and Maintenance
A.	Service establishment charges apply as follows.
1.	**Recurring Charge—** A monthly charge per reseller will be assessed during the five year recovery period. This charge is associated with the provision of access to the Telephone Company's operational support systems. The recurring charge is applicable to any reseller not already subject to a greater or equal charge in the following Telephone Company jurisdictions.
a.	Connecticut
b.	Maine
c.	Massachusetts
d.	New Hampshire
e.	New York
f.	Vermont
2.	**Nonrecurring Charge (NRC)—** An NRC per operational support system transaction will be assessed during the seven year recovery period for developmental costs (includes development and ongoing costs). After the seven year recovery period, the NRC per operational support system transaction charge will include ongoing costs only.

5.3.3	Other Charges
A.	**Service Center—**A monthly charge per resold line applies to recover the cost of maintaining the service center for resellers.
B.	**Complex Order Charge—**An NRC per Centrex line ordered applies to recover the manual processing required for Centrex lines.

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5.3.4	Contract Pricing
A.	Upon request, the Telephone Company will make available for resale any existing Telephone Company retail contract for the provision of telecommunications services, under the terms and conditions of that contract, at wholesale discounted rates. The Telephone Company reserves the right to apply a different avoided cost discount for services provided under contract arrangements, as approved by the PUC.

5.3.5	Information Provider Services
A.	Telephone Company practices applicable to the imposition of charges for information provider services, where the Telephone Company bills and collects for the relevant information provider, will apply to resellers to the same extent as they apply to the Telephone Company's end users.