

DIGITAL DATA SERVICE*

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A. GENERAL

Digital Data Service is furnished for the simultaneous two-way transmission of digital signals at synchronous speeds of 2.4, 4.8, 9.6 or 56 kilobits per second (Kbps). Service is provided to the customer for the transmission of communications to or from any station via a digital access line.

B. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Explanation of Terms

Channel Service Unit

Channel service units are standard interfaces which provide such functions as network protection, signal shaping, loop equalization and maintenance testing capability. It delivers to, and accepts from the customer's data terminal devices, serial balanced bipolar signals through an interface connector.

Digital Access Line

A digital access line, when used in connection with Digital Data Service, is a path for digital transmission furnished within the serving area of a digital city between the principal Company central office and a station.

Digital City

A digital city is a city in which a principal Company central office is located and which serves a specific area.

Digital City Rate Center

A digital city rate center is a specified geographical location in a digital city from which mileage measurements are determined for the application of mileage rates.

Digital City Serving Area

A digital city serving area is a specific geographic area served in and around a digital city.

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B. TERMS AND CONDITIONS (Cont'd)

1. Explanation of Terms (Cont'd)

Principal Company Central Office

A principal Company central office is the central office to which Digital Data Service digital access lines are routed and where access is provided to such lines and associated equipment for testing purposes or the central office designated to provide the same functions on a theoretic basis for the purpose of establishing a digital city.

Station

A station, in connection with Digital Data Service, is also a connection of a digital access line at a Principal Company central office for the purpose of connecting to a Channel Service connected in accordance with Digital Data Service connections in this Product Guide.

2. Availability of Service

Digital Data Service can only be provided from central offices equipped for Digital Data Service subject to the technical limitations of such equipment and availability of suitable facilities.

3. Provision of Service

a. Service is provided to the customer for the transmission of communications to or from any station via a channel and/or digital access lines.

b. The service options available to the customer are as follows:

(1) One-station Service

This service may consist of one digital access line furnished between a customer station and a central office equipped for Central Office Local Area Network Service.

(2) Two-station Service

This service may consist of:

(a) one two-point channel furnished between digital cities for service where one station is located in the serving area of each such city and connected to the channel by means of a digital access line or

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B. TERMS AND CONDITIONS (Cont'd)

3. Provision of Service (Cont'd)

- b. The service options available to the customer are as follows:
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(2) Two-station Service (Cont'd)

This service may consist of: (Cont'd)

- (b) digital access lines furnished in the same digital city serving area for service between two stations.

(3) Multistation Service

This service may consist of:

- (a) one two-point channel furnished between digital cities for service where more than one station is located in the serving area of one or both such cities and each station is connected to the channel by means of a digital access line,
- (b) two or more two-point channels furnished between digital cities for service where one or more stations are located in the serving area of each such city and each station is connected to the channel by means of a digital access line or
- (c) digital access lines furnished in the same digital city serving area for service between three or more stations.

A multistation arrangement is required per station to provide this service.

- c. Service is provided to the customer via channels and/or digital access lines. Two types of digital access lines are offered as follows:

(1) Type I Digital Access Lines

Type I digital access lines are furnished to serve customer stations within the base-band transmission serving area of the principal Company central office or to serve stations located at the principal Company central office for the purpose of connecting to a Channel Service.

(2) Type II Digital Access Lines

Type II digital access lines are furnished to serve customer stations outside the baseband transmission serving area of the principal Company central office.

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B. TERMS AND CONDITIONS (Cont'd)

3. Provision of Service (Cont'd)

- d. The Company will provide a channel capable of meeting a monthly average performance equal to or greater than 99.875% error-free seconds while the channel is in service, if it is measured through a Company approved channel service unit equivalent.
- e. Digital Data Service requires a channel service unit at all times at the customer's premises and associated with the customer's data terminal devices.

4. Creation of Additional Bit Streams

The customer, by use of their own channel derivation equipment, may create digital bit streams from a Digital Service. This equipment may be connected at the customer's premises with the telecommunications network and Channel Services for the transmission of such bit streams over these facilities.

5. Suspension of Service

Digital Services, except Service at a Transmission Speed of 1.544 Megabits Per Second, may be suspended at the request of the customer without cancellation at any time after the initial contract period, subject to the following:

- a. Service will be suspended for a period of not less than two weeks and not more than six months.
- b. One-half of the monthly charge that would apply if the service were not suspended applies during the periods of suspension for digital access lines and associated equipment.

6. Connections

- a. Customer-provided terminal equipment and customer-provided communications systems may be connected with facilities furnished for a Digital Service by the Company at the premises of the customer subject to the following: no service will be provided to the premises of an Other Common Carrier where the sole purpose of the service, including any bit streams derived therefrom, is to effect direct connection for through transmission with communications channels of an Other Common Carrier, except that service may be provided to the premises of an Other Common Carrier for connection to overseas facilities furnished by that carrier, or for connection of service provided to a Composite Data Service Vendor for the provision of composite data service.

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B. TERMS AND CONDITIONS (Cont'd)

6. Connections (Cont'd)

- b. In addition to the provisions for connections specified preceding, except service at a transmission speed of 56 Kbps, furnished by the Company may be connected at a Principal Company Central Office to a Channel Service furnished by the Company. The types of channels that may be connected and the method of such connection are as follows.

A Series 3000, type 3120 or 3122, Channel or Series 5000, type 5302, 5320 or 5322, Channel may be connected to a Digital Data Service at a Principal Company Central Office by means of an Analog/ Digital Adaptor specified in this Product Guide.

C. RATES

1. Digital Access Lines, each

a. Type I

Transmission Speeds	Installation Charge	Per Month	USOC
2.4 Kbps.....	\$22.00	\$946.56	DDB
4.8 Kbps.....	22.00	1,323.02	DDE
9.6 Kbps.....	22.00	1,753.30	DDF
56 Kbps.....	77.00	3,420.50	DDG

b. Type II

Transmission Speeds	Installation Charge	Per Month		USOC
		Fixed Charge	Per Mile*	
2.4 Kbps.....	\$22.00	\$1,197.22	\$10.30	1L7A4
4.8 Kbps.....	22.00	1,524.60	10.30	1L7B4
9.6 Kbps.....	22.00	1,851.90	21.50	1L7C4
56 Kbps.....	77.00	3,722.54	100.26	1L7D4

- * Mileage is measured airline distance between the Digital City Rate Center and the wire center that normally serves the distant station.

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C. RATES (Cont'd)

	Per Month	USOC
2. Multistation Arrangement, per station.....	\$143.90	DDZ
3. Analog/Digital Adaptor		
To permit the connection of a Series 3000, types 3002, 3120 or 3122, Channel or Series 5000, types 5320 or 5322, Channel and a Digital Data Service		
Adaptors providing connection to a Digital Data Service operating at 2.4 kilobits per second, each.....	1,007.28	DDH
4. Moves and Changes		
a. When a digital access line is moved to a different location in the same building on the same premises, a charge of one-half the Installation Charge applies.		
b. When a digital access line is relocated to a different premises or to a different building on the same premises, Installation Charges apply.		
c. When, at the request of the customer, an existing Digital Data Service is replaced by a Digital Data Service of a different Kbps, the charge applicable is the same as that for a new installation of the replacing Digital Data Service.		
5. Competitive Pricing Arrangements		
Competitive pricing arrangements can be furnished to meet the communication needs of specific customers on a case by case basis under individual contracts. Contract rates, which are on file with the P.S.C. under proprietary agreement, will be priced above an established cost rate floor for the service and are structured in the same manner as the equivalent Access Service. The competitive pricing arrangement contracts, once executed, will also be on file with the P.S.C. under proprietary agreement.		

D. SERVING AREAS

1. Digital Data Service is furnished within the following digital serving areas:
Baltimore
Silver Spring
2. Digital City Serving Areas

Central offices from which Type 1 and Type 2 digital access lines are provided are as specified by the Company.

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