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# A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

# A3.2 Statewide Rate Schedules

#### A3.2.1 Flat Rate Schedule

- **A.** The rates specified herein entitle subscribers to an unlimited number of messages to all stations bearing the designation of central offices within the serving exchange and additional exchanges as shown in A3.6, Local Calling Areas
- **B.** The following Statewide Schedule of Rates is applicable to Flat Rate Main Station Line Service which is available only on an individual line (one-party) basis:
  - 1. Main Station Lines

		Residence	Business	USOC	
	(a) Group 1 (0 - 3,300)	\$30.00	\$279.00	NA	(I)
	(b) Group 2 (3,301 - 8,000)	30.00	279.00	NA	(I)
	(c) Group 3 (8,001 - 17,000)	30.00	325.00	NA	(I)
	(d) Group 4 (17,001 - 37,000)	30.00	279.00	NA	(I)
	(e) Group 5 (37,001 - 63,500)	30.00	279.00	NA	(I)
	(f) Group 6 (63,501 - up)	30.00	279.00	NA	(I)
2.	PBX Trunks and Centrex Type Services Main Station Lines				(N)
	(a) Group 1 (0 - 3,300)	30.00	279.00	NA	(I)
	(b) Group 2 (3,301 - 8,000)	30.00	279.00	NA	(I)
	(c) Group 3 (8,001 - 17,000)	30.00	279.00	NA	(I)
	(d) Group 4 (17,001 - 37,000)	30.00	279.00	NA	(I)
	(e) Group 5 (37,001 - 63,500)	30.00	279.00	NA	(I)
	(f) Group 6 (63,501 - up)	30.00	279.00	NA	(I)

#### A3.2.2 Reserved For Future Use

- A3.2.3 Reserved For Future Use
- A3.2.4 Reserved For Future Use
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- A3.2.6 Reserved For Future Use
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### A3.2.9 Area Calling Service

- **A.** Area Calling Service is an optional offering that provides local calling from the subscriber's home wire center to all Company wire centers and participating Independent Company wire centers within a 40 mile radius based on airline mileage, in addition to the existing local calling area described in A3.6. The offering of this service is subject to availability as determined by the Company.
- B. This service is not available to Company owned or customer provided public telephone subscribers.
- C. Customers subscribing to Area Calling Service will be provided an access line and usage package as described following.
- **D.** The access line for Residence and Business service is provided at the following rate. All other services offering Area Calling Service are provided for in the appropriate sections of this Guidebook.
  - Access Line

		Monuny	
		Rate	USOC
(a)	(Obsoleted, See Section A103)		
(b)	Business	\$200.00	NA

(M)

Monthly

(C)

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# A3.2 Statewide Rate Schedules (Cont'd)

# A3.2.9 Area Calling Service (Cont'd)

**E.** In addition to the access line, customers receive the following usage package.

(M)

1. (Obsolete, See A103.)

. . .

(M)

2. Option 2 - Area Calling Service<sup>1</sup> with Discount

(M)

This option includes a \$6.00 usage allowance on all calls terminating in Bands A, B, C and D. Local calls are billed in accordance with the usage schedule described in F., at a 20 percent discount on the total usage charges, in addition to the off-peak discount described in J. Billed usage charges, above the allowance, will not exceed \$9.00 per Residence line and \$24.00 per Business line, trunk, or ESSX service, MultiServ PLUS service, or BellSouth Centrex service NAR for calls terminating in Bands A, B, C and D with the following exception. Local usage charges for Shared Tenant Service, hospital patient rooms and hotel guest rooms will not be capped. The following charge is in addition to the access line rate.

		Montnly		
		Rate	USOC	
(a)	Area Calling Service with Discount – Option 2		NA	(M)
	Residence	\$30.00		(M)
	Business	6.00		(M)

F. The following usage rates are applicable for all local calls and are based on airline mileage between wire centers.

	Initial	Additional
	Minute	Minutes
Mileage Bands	Charge	Charge
A (0 miles)	\$.02	\$.01
B (1 - 10 miles)	.04	.02
C (11 - 16 miles)	.06	.04
D (17 - 22 miles and existing local calling area described in	.09	.07
A3.6 greater than 22 miles)		
E (23 - 30 miles)	.09	.09
F (31 - 40 miles)	.09	.09
G (Special band as described in G.)	.09	.09

- **G.** In addition to the local calling described in A., if any wire center in an exchange is located within 40 miles of any wire center in the originating exchange, local calling will be provided from the entire originating exchange to the entire terminating exchange. The usage charges for Band G are applicable for distances greater than 40 miles.
- **H.** Calls originating in Bay Minette and terminating in Mobile and Fairhope or calls originating in Mobile and Fairhope and terminating in Bay Minette will be billed usage charges for Band C.
- I. Calls which originate and terminate within the Athens (Main and Toll wire center only), Huntsville and Decatur exchanges and which are greater than 22 miles will be rated at Band D rates.
- J. Time/Day Discount The preceding usage rates are peak period rates and apply from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays). Off-peak period rates apply to all other times and are rated at a 50 percent discount. When messages span more than one rate period, total charges for the minutes in each rate period are summarized and the results for each period are totaled to obtain the total message charge. Time/Day Discount does not apply to the Premium Calling Option.
- **K.** Grouping rates for subscribers of Area Calling Service are described in A3.19.2.

(M1) (M)

Note 1: Effective May 1, 2013, Area Calling Service is obsoleted for Residence customers (see A103.2.9)

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# A3.2 Statewide Rate Schedules (Cont'd)

### A3.2.9 Area Calling Service (Cont'd)

(M) (M)

- L. The following stipulations apply only when the access line from which the call originates subscribes to Area Calling Service. Calls completed with operator assistance within the local calling area as described in A3.6.1 will be rated at the above usage charges in addition to the appropriate Operator Assisted Local Call surcharges. Such calls are itemized on the subscriber's billing statement and are billed outside any applicable usage allowances or caps. All other calls completed with operator assistance will be billed the applicable Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service (MTS) charges described in Section A18.
- M. Calls made outside the Basic Local Calling Area described in A3.6.1., but within the Area Calling Service Local Calling Area, (M)

(M)

(M)

- on which customers request time and charges, will have those quotations based on MTS rates listed in Section A18. This includes hotel paid guest quotation calls. The rates that are quoted will also be billed.
- N. All terms and conditions that appear in other sections of this Guidebook apply unless otherwise stated herein.

### A3.2.10 Complete Choice Service (Obsoleted, See Section A103)

#### A3.2.11 Area Plus Service

#### A. General

- 1. Area Plus service provides residence subscribers a flat rate access line with unlimited calling to all exchange access lines within the serving exchange, the additional exchanges in the local calling area specified in A3.6, and all other exchanges in the subscriber's LATA. The LATA for each exchange is indicated in A3.6.1 and the exchanges in each LATA are listed in A3.6.2. The access line includes Touch-Tone capability.
- 2. Residential customers may also subscribe to Area Plus service with the Complete Choice option. All services/features specified in A103.2.10 as available with Complete Choice service are available with this option of Area Plus service. Terms, conditions and limitations specified in A103.2.10.A.3 for Complete Choice service apply to this option of Area Plus service.¹
- 3. Residence customers may subscribe to the Two-Line Plan or the Three-Line Plan for Area Plus service with the Complete Choice option. Both plans offer grouping at no additional charge as specified in A103.2.10. All services/features specified in A103.2.10 as available with Complete Choice service are available with each line of a multi-line package. Terms, conditions and limitations specified in A103.2.10.A.3 for Complete Choice service apply to each line of a multi-line package with the Complete Choice option. All lines in each multi-line package must be billed to the same account and located at the same premises.<sup>1</sup>
- 4. Service charges specified in Section A4 do not apply for a conversion of existing service to/from Area Plus service or Area Plus service with the Complete Choice option.
- 5. Existing customers of Area Plus service with the Complete Choice option cannot take advantage of special promotions for Complete Choice service or Area Plus service with the Complete Choice option or any of the services/features specified in A103.2.10.A.3 unless specifically allowed by the terms of the special promotion.

#### **B.** Rates and Charges

- The following monthly rates apply for Area Plus services.
  - a. Individual line service

			Rate	Rate	USOC
(1)	Resid	lence			
	(a)	Per line (without the Complete Choice option)	\$16.50	\$62.00	ACP
	(b)	Per line with the Complete Choice <sup>1</sup> option (USOCs AC1 and VSB must both be used to provide this service)	14.50	73.00	NA
	(c)	Per Two-Line Plan package with the Complete Choice <sup>1</sup> option or Credit for two individual lines qualifying as Two-Line Plan package	29.00	133.95 0.00	ACML2 CRD2A
	(d)	Per Three-Line Plan package with the Complete Choice <sup>1</sup> option	43.50	166.95	ACML3

Suspend Monthly

#### A3.2.12 PreferredPack Plan (Obsoleted, See Section A103)

# A3.2.13 2 Pack Plan (Obsoleted, See Section A103)

**Note 1:** Complete Choice Obsoleted 2-19-09 (See Section A103)

# A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

# A3.20 Trunk Lines<sup>1</sup>

A3.20.1 Reserved For Future Use

### A3.20.2 Residence

A. Flat Rate<sup>2</sup>

					Monthly Rate	USOC	
	1.	Trunk	s Flat ra	te both-way only, each			
			(a)	Residence Individual Line Flat Rate	-	TFR	
	2.	Group	ing Ser	vice			
			(a)	See A3.19.2 preceding	-	HTG	
A3.20	).3 B	usiness	s (Com	mercial, Hospital, Hotel/Motel and Shared Tenant Service)			
Α.		Rate <sup>2</sup>	`	, ,			
	1.	Trunk	s, each				
			(a)	Inward Only	\$279.00	TFN	(C, I)
			` /	Business Individual Line Flat Rate			
			(b)	Both-way or Outward Only	279.00	TFC	(C, I)
			` '	Business Individual Line Flat Rate			
			(c)	DID (Direct In-Dial)	279.00	TDD1X	(C, I)
			` /	Business Individual Line Flat Rate			
			(d)	DID Combination <sup>3</sup>	634.00	TDDCX	
	2.	Group	ing Ser	vice			
			(a)	See A3.19.2 preceding	-	HTG	
A3.20	).4 H	otel Pl	BX Ser	vice			
A.	Mes	sage Ra	ate Serv	ice <sup>2</sup>			
	(Fu	rnished	for gues	at and management use - all exchanges.)			
	1. Trunks, each						
		a. B	oth-Wa	y or Outward only			
				t trunk with an allowance of 75 outward local messages.			
					Charge	USOC	
			(a)	Same as Business (Commercial) Message Rate Trunk Lines	•	TMC	
		(2	2) Add	litional trunk without message allowance.			
		,	(a)	Same as Business (Commercial) Message Rate Trunk Lines	-	TM5	
		(3	3) Loc	al messages in excess of allowance			
			(a)	Each	\$.10	NA	
	2.	Grour	oing Ser		•••		
			(a)	See A3.19.2 preceding	-	HTG	

**Note 1:** See this and other guidebook sections for additional appropriate charges, such as, Grouping Service etc.

**Note 2:** See A3.10.3 for additional local usage charges for Bridgeport, Phenix City, and Stevenson Extended Local Calling Plan.

**Note 3:** Available where facilities permit. Appropriate charges for DID service and Grouping Service apply.

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# A13. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

# A13.14 Toll Trunks (Toll Terminals) (Cont'd)

# A13.14.1 General (Cont'd)

- **D.** Toll Trunks are furnished only to customers who have local exchange service concurrently. Also, all local calls and calls to certain Company numbers such as repair service, Public Emergency Service (911), etc. will be permitted from the customer's establishment only on regular exchange service facilities of the customer.
- **E.** Outward connections only will be established from a Toll Trunk.
- F. Service arrangements, requested by the customer, in excess of the intent of this Guidebook may be provided at charges based on cost.
- **G.** This service is furnished only where facilities permit.

# A13.14.2 Rates And Charges

A. Toll Trunks (C)

1. Per Toll Trunk

(a) Charge Rate USOC (C, I) LD2 (C, I)

# A13.15 Reserved For Future Use

**A13.16 (DELETED)**