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PURPOSE: Except as otherwise indicate for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Residence & Business Access Lines and trunks, ISDN PRI, Centrex and Miscellaneous Services. These services will no longer be available for purchase by new or existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, change, or renew existing service arrangements will not be accepted. Following the expiration of a customer's existing term agreement, service will be provided on a month-to-month basis at the applicable Monthly rates until the service is discontinued.

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A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Business and Residential Basic Local Exchange Service and all calling plans and services described in this section that can be purchased with a Business Or Residence Network Access Lines or Trunk will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A3.1 Exchange Access Lines

A3.1.1 General

- A. Rates for Basic Local Exchange Service are related to the total number of Main Station Lines, Private Branch Exchange Trunks and Centrex Type Services Main Station Lines within the Local Calling Area, including those of other telephone companies within the same Local Calling Area.
- B. The Exchange Service Area for each exchange is identified on maps.
- C. The rates for service and equipment not specifically shown in this section are presented in other sections of this Guidebook.
- D. Individual Residence and Business Main Station Line Service are comprised of serving central office line equipment and all outside plant facilities needed to connect the serving central office with the customer premises at the demarcation point. These facilities are Company-provided and maintained and provide access to and from the Telecommunications Network for Message Toll Service and for local calling.
- E. Effective December 10, 1993, rotary dial service will not be available for new installations. For Area Calling Service¹ subscribers with rotary dial service and inward facilities (connected prior to December 10, 1993), a credit of \$.75 per residence Area Calling Service line or trunk and \$1.50 per Area Calling Service business line or trunk will apply to the rates specified in A3.2.9. Existing rotary dial service and inward facilities for Area Calling Service subscribers may be modified or changed at the current location (with the exception of a change in class of service), but may not be relocated to a different address. Existing Area Calling Service subscribers with rotary dial service and inward facilities who change to a different class of service and Area Calling Service subscribers who connect new lines or trunks will be billed at the rates specified in A103.2.9 (Residence) or A3.2.9 (Business).
- F. Residence Access Line Retention Offer
Effective January 1, 2021, this offer is no longer available to new subscribers. Existing subscribers may retain the 12 month credit through the end of their promotion period.
Existing residential customers who call to disconnect service with AT&T and elect to stay and have one (or up to a maximum of two) flat rate access line(s) may be eligible to receive a \$6 per month bill credit for 12 months. The following conditions apply:
 1. Customers must keep the required services for 30 days to receive the benefit of this offer.
 2. Customers subscribing to Complete Choice Enhanced or Complete Choice Basic must have the access line in service for a minimum of 60 days before the customer becomes eligible for this offer.
 3. If the customer disconnects the flat rate line(s) or moves from their current location, the remaining benefits will cease.
 4. AT&T employees are not eligible for this offer.
 5. Customer must be calling into AT&T to disconnect their local service.
 6. This offer is available on a maximum of two (2) flat rate lines (a maximum monthly reward of \$12).
 7. Not stackable with any other regulated retention offer that provides a monthly discount.
 8. Eligible customers are existing AT&T residential customers who have a primary access line, or a primary access line with an additional access line(s), and are calling to disconnect one or more access lines.
 9. This offer is only available for retention purposes.
 10. The monthly bill credit stays in effect as long as the customer remains at the same address and is limited to a maximum of 12 months.

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

A9. FOREIGN EXCHANGE SERVICE AND FOREIGN CENTRAL OFFICE SERVICE

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Foreign Exchange and Foreign Exchange Central Office Service will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A9.1 Foreign Exchange Service

A9.1.1 Terms and Conditions

- A. Foreign Exchange Service is exchange service furnished to a subscriber from an exchange other than the one from which he would normally be served.
- B. Foreign Exchange Service is offered in connection with Flat Rate or Measured Individual Line Main Station Service and Flat or Measured Rate PBX Service only. These channels may be furnished on a link (partial channel) basis when connected to FlexServ service, MegaLink Channel Service and/or LightGate service.
- C. Other services, equipment or facilities used in connection with Foreign Exchange Service, except as otherwise indicated in this *Guidebook*, are furnished subject to the rates, *terms and conditions* applying in the foreign exchange from which the subscriber is served.
- D. Foreign Exchange Service is furnished subject to the same restrictions as to the use of the service by other than the subscriber and his representatives, as apply in connection with other classes of service.
- E. Subscribers to Foreign Exchange Service are not required to subscribe to other service in the exchange from which they would normally be served.
- F. Where the serving foreign exchange is a multioffice exchange, Foreign Exchange Service will be provided from whichever central office would be most economical to the Company; if an applicant desires operation from a different central office and facilities are available therefore, foreign central office mileage charges will apply for the channel required between the Company-selected central office and the central office from which the applicant desires to be served.
- G. Allowance For Interruptions
 1. Foreign Central Office Service
No allowance is made for interruptions of less than twenty-four hours. For interruptions of twenty-four hours or more, credit is allowed for the proportionate part of the monthly charge in multiples of one day for each twenty-four hours or major fraction thereof, of interruption for the portion of the facilities rendered inoperative by reason of the interruption.
 2. Foreign Exchange Service
 - a. No credit is allowed for interruptions to service of less than thirty minutes. Interruptions of thirty minutes or over are credited to the customer at the proportionate monthly contract charge in half-hour multiples for each half hour or major fraction thereof of interruption.
 - b. Message Toll Telephone Service furnished at a customer's request when his Foreign Exchange Service is interrupted, is charged for at message toll telephone rates.

A12. CENTRAL OFFICE NON-TRANSPORT SERVICE OFFERINGS

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, all Central Office Non-Transport Service Offerings will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A12.1 ESSX Service (Obsolete, See Section A112.)

A12.2 Reserved For Future Use

A12.3 Reserved For Future Use

A12.4 Assigned Centrex Type Services Telephone Numbers Without Facilities

A12.4.1 General

- A. Assigned telephone numbers without facilities will be provided to meet growth requirements of a Centrex Type Services subscriber and any associated ISDN service. These telephone numbers will be assigned to the subscriber's common block without being associated with a working station line and will be converted to active station lines as requested by the subscriber.

A12.4.2 Terms and Conditions

- A. The assignment of telephone numbers and the sequence of numbers assigned to a Centrex Type Services subscriber's system will be made at the discretion of the Company.
- B. The service is furnished subject to the availability of telephone numbers.
- C. The Company does not guarantee to provide consecutive telephone numbers.
- D. Calls to these assigned telephone numbers will be routed to intercept common recorded announcement facilities as indicated in the *guidebook* section for the subscriber's Centrex Type Services system.
- E. Telephone numbers furnished herein retain their status until associated with an active station line at which time the service assumes rates and charges applicable to the appropriate Centrex Type Services station line.
- F. These assigned telephone numbers will not be available for manipulation utilizing ECAS, DECAS, Customer Control, or BellSouth Centrex Control capabilities.
- G. Directory listings will not be provided with these assigned telephone numbers.
- H. These telephone numbers will be billed at the following rates until utilized on an active Centrex Type Services station line.
- I. A Secondary Service Charge applies per occasion for the assignment of any quantity of telephone numbers at the same time. A Secondary Service Charge does not apply when a working telephone number is converted to an Assigned Telephone Number.
- J. The Company will make every effort to insure the correct assignment and control of Assigned Centrex Types Services Telephone Numbers Without Facilities. The Company's liability for any damages or harm that may occur as the result of incorrect assignment or control of these numbers shall not exceed an amount equal to the proportionate part of the monthly recurring charge for the service for the period during which the service was affected.
- K. The installation charge for subscription to Assigned Centrex Type Services Telephone Numbers Without Facilities will be waived through March 14, 2001.

A12.4.3 Rates and Charges

- A. Assigned Centrex Type Services Telephone Numbers Without Facilities
 - 1. Assigned Telephone Numbers

(a) Per Telephone Number Assigned

Installation Charge	Monthly Rate	USOC ATNCS
\$1.00	\$.15	

A12.5 Reserved For Future Use

A12.6 Reserved For Future Use

A12. CENTRAL OFFICE NON-TRANSPORT SERVICE OFFERINGS

A12.23 Reserved for Future Use

A12.24 Reserved for Future Use

A12.25 BellSouth Centrex Service

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, BellSouth Centrex Service will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted. (N)

Effective April 1, 2025, customers may not elect a Rate Stability Plan of any length, and existing Rate Stability Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Rate Stability Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer. (N)

A12.25.1 General

- A. BellSouth Centrex service provides an arrangement of switching equipment and station lines for intercommunicating among the station lines and for connection through the local and long distance message network to other subscribers on a dial basis. BellSouth Centrex service is furnished from central office equipment located on Company premises and associated facilities arranged to provide the following basic service capabilities/features.
 1. Exchange and long distance message network calls may be made to station lines by dialing the number associated with that station line or attendant position.
 2. Exchange and long distance message network calls may be made from station lines via direct outward dialing.
 3. Station-to-station intercommunication via two to ten-digit dialing between station lines of the subscriber's system.
 4. Outgoing long distance message calls dialed by a station line will be identified by the seven-digit station number. Only calls billed to the subscriber by the Company will be provided this identification.
 5. Touch-Tone service.
 6. Common recorded announcement interception of calls to unassigned station numbers.
- B. BellSouth Centrex service will be furnished to subscribers requesting one (1) or more station lines served by the same central office equipment.
- C. A subscriber's system may be comprised of the following components:
 - Common Equipment
 - Station Lines
 - Network Access Registers
 - Optional Features
- D. Access to the local and long distance message networks will be provided via Network Access Registers (NARs) at the rates and charges indicated in Section A3.

A12.25.2 Terms and Conditions

- A. BellSouth Centrex service is furnished subject to the availability of facilities and features from central office equipment located in a central office building owned or leased by the Company. The service allows for normal station activity including incidental additions and deletions.
- B. Each system established must consist of a minimum of the Common Equipment, one (1) station line and one (1) Network Access Register.
- C. A station line will be comprised of the Standard Features and the associated Station Link, which include access to the serving central office equipment.
- D. BellSouth Centrex service will not be offered in a manner which provides for intercommunication only.
- E. Facilities may be used for direct connections between a subscriber's BellSouth Centrex service and other systems primarily for communication between stations of the two systems. Rates and charges for these connection facilities are specified in either Section A13. or Section B3. of the Private Line Guidebook. Charges for access to Private Facilities as specified in A12.25.8.E. are applicable. These facilities, connecting BellSouth Centrex service, may be arranged to provide completion of incoming or outgoing exchange and long distance message network through the subscriber's BellSouth Centrex service system to or from other systems, provided such connections to the exchange or long distance message network are only made one system at a time.
- F. Station lines may require customer-provided compatible terminal equipment.

A12. CENTRAL OFFICE NON-TRANSPORT SERVICE OFFERING

A12.26 BellSouth Centrex ISDN Service

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Bellsouth Centrex ISDN Service will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A12.26.1 General

- A.** BellSouth Centrex ISDN is an intraLATA group of offerings supported by the Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) architecture. BellSouth Centrex ISDN supports simultaneous transmission of voice, data, and packet services on the same exchange access line Calling/Called Number Delivery, Calling Name Delivery in equipped 5ESS and EWSD® switches, Call Hold and Intercom are included with this service. BellSouth Centrex ISDN is available only for use with BellSouth Centrex service. BellSouth Centrex ISDN provides access to the telephone network through a Basic Rate Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Access Arrangement. Basic Rate Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) Access Arrangement will allow transmission on one or two 64 Kbps (B) channels and one 16 Kbps (D) channel at the service delivery point.
- B.** B channel circuit switched services offer up to 64 Kbps intra-office transmission of voice or data. This option permits the customer to utilize either circuit voice or data transmission paths on a per call selection basis. Transmission on the B channel will be circuit switched at 64 Kbps within the switch and/or equipped facilities between ISDN compatible central offices. ISDN interconnection to non-ISDN equipped central offices will be potentially subjected to analog transmission or sub-rated to 56 Kbps. This option includes one directory number (DN) per user access.

The ISDN Standard Features rate element is required for each B channel circuit switched user access.

- C.** (DELETED)
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A12. CENTRAL OFFICE NON-TRANSPORT SERVICE OFFERINGS

A12.28 BellSouth Centrex Service Package

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Bellsouth Centrex Service Package will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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Effective April 1, 2025, customers may not elect a Rate Stability Plan of any length, and existing Rate Stability Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Rate Stability Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

A12.28.1 General

- A. BellSouth Centrex Service Package is an arrangement providing BellSouth Centrex service to Subscribers as part of a packaged offering with a Customized Common Block and a one-to-one Station Link-to-Network Access Register ratio.
- B. BellSouth Centrex Service Package may be comprised of the following components:
 1. Common Equipment (Payment Plan 3) (as described in A12.25 preceding)
 2. Station Links (as described in A12.25 preceding)
 3. Network Access Registers (NARs) (as described in A3.8)
 4. Standard Features (as described in A12.25 preceding)

A12.28.2 Terms and Conditions

- A. BellSouth Centrex Service Package is furnished subject to the availability of facilities.
- B. Each system established must consist of a minimum of the Common Equipment (Payment Plan 3), six (6) Station Links with Standard Features, and six (6) Network Access Registers.
- C. Terms and Conditions for BellSouth Centrex Service set forth in A12.25 preceding apply to BellSouth Centrex Service Package, unless otherwise specified.
- D. BellSouth Centrex Service Package is only offered for term agreements of twenty-four (24)^{1,2} or thirty-six (36) months^{1,2}.
- E. The Subscriber will be billed at the monthly rates for the initial Station Link commitment throughout the term of the BellSouth Centrex Service Package agreement, even in the event that the Subscriber's Station Link number falls below the initial Station Link commitment.
- F. In no event shall the Company be liable for any losses or damages of any kind resulting from the unavailability of its equipment or facilities or for any act, omission, or failure of performance by the Company, its employees, or its agents, in line with this Guidebook.
- G. BellSouth Centrex Service Package is only available with Customized Common Block.
- H. BellSouth Centrex Service Package is based on a one-to-one Station Link-to-Network Access Register ratio.
- I. Centrex Control will not be offered as part of BellSouth Centrex Service Package.
- J. Electronic Business Sets, BellSouth Centrex ISDN, and Station Links from a Different Serving Wire Center will not be offered as part of the BellSouth Centrex Service Package.
- K. BellSouth Centrex Service optional features can be purchased for BellSouth Centrex Service Package at rates specified in A12.25 preceding.
- L. BellSouth Centrex Service Package is available with the following switch types: 1AESS, 5ESS, DMS-100, EWSD®, DCO.
- M. BellSouth Centrex Service Package is available flat rate only.
- N. Service charges apply as specified in Section A4.
- O. BellSouth Centrex Service Package may be converted to BellSouth Centrex service as follows:
 1. Nonrecurring charges from this section will not apply.
 2. Termination Liability/Cancellation Charges for original service will not apply.
 3. Service charges from Section A4. will not apply.
 4. Changes, additions or rearrangements for new lines and/or optional features:
 - a. Nonrecurring charges from this sub-section will apply.
 - b. Service charges from Section A4. will apply.

Note 1: Effective September 30, 2024, customers may not establish a new Rate Stability Plan term plans greater than 12 months for Bellsouth Centrex service, and existing term plans greater than 12 months may not be renewed or extended for a term greater than 12 months. AT&T will renew Bellsouth Centrex Service payment plans only for additional 12-month terms by written amendment. If a 12-month term is not signed upon expiration of the term, the month-to-month rates listed in the Guidebook will apply.

Note 2: Effective April 1, 2025, customers may not elect a Rate Stability Plan of any length, and existing Rate Stability Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Rate Stability Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

A13. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

A13.5 through A13.8 Reserved for Future Use

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, all Services described in this Section that can be purchased with a Business or Residence Network Access Line or trunk (except Remote Call Forwarding) will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A13.9 Custom Calling Service

A13.9.1 General

A. Call Waiting

Provides the user, busy on a call, with a private signal which alerts him to an unanswered call waiting to be completed to his number. The user may, then, hold the existing call, answer the incoming call and alternately talk on both calls until one has been terminated.

A14. AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Services described in this Section will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A14.1 Network Interface Equipment

A14.1.1 General

- A. Network Interface equipment may be provided in connection with PBX, ESSX-1, and all other classes of main station service.
- B. For outdoor locations weatherproof network interface equipment is available at the rates and charges quoted in A14.1.2 following.
- C. Services provided on complex wiring must be directly connected to the telecommunications network through Company installed Network Interface equipment as specified in, or authorized by, Part 68 of the FCC Rules and Regulations.

A15. CONNECTIONS WITH CERTAIN FACILITIES AND/OR EQUIPMENT OF OTHERS**A15.1 Terms and Conditions**

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Services described in this Section will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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(N)**A15.1.1 General Provisions**

Terminal equipment and communications systems provided by the customer may be connected at the customer's premises to telecommunications services furnished by the Company where such connections are made in accordance with the provisions of this Section A15. Telecommunications services as used herein includes Exchange Service, Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service (LDMTS) and Wide Area Telecommunications Service (WATS).

A. Responsibility Of The Customer

1. The customer shall be responsible for the installation, operation and maintenance of any customer-provided terminal equipment or communications system. No combinations of customer-provided terminal equipment or communications systems shall require change in or alteration of the equipment or services of the Company, cause electrical hazards to Company personnel, damage to Company equipment, malfunction of Company billing equipment, or degradation of service to persons other than the user of the subject terminal equipment or communications system, his calling or called party. Upon notice from the Company that a customer-provided terminal equipment or communications system is causing such hazard, damage, malfunction or degradation of service, the customer shall make such changes as shall be necessary to remove or prevent such hazard, damage, malfunction or degradation of service.
2. The customer shall be responsible for the payment of a Trouble Determination Charge as provided in Section A4. for visits by a Company employee to the customer's premises when a service difficulty or trouble report results.

B. Responsibility Of The Company

1. Telecommunications services are not represented as adapted to the use of customer-provided terminal equipment or communications systems. Where customer-provided terminal equipment or communications systems are used with telecommunications services, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of service components suitable for telecommunications services and to the maintenance and operation of service components in a manner proper for such services. Subject to this responsibility the Company shall not be responsible for:
 - a. the through transmission of signals generated by the customer-provided terminal equipment or communications systems or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission,
 - b. the reception of signals by customer-provided terminal equipment or communications systems, or
 - c. address signaling where such signaling is performed by customer-provided signaling equipment.
2. The Company will, at the customer's request, provide information concerning interface parameters, including the number of ringers which may be connected to a particular telephone line, needed to permit customer-provided terminal equipment to operate in a manner compatible with telecommunications services.
3. The Company may make changes in its telecommunications services, equipment, operations or procedures, where such action is not inconsistent with Part 68 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations. If such changes can be reasonably expected to render any customer's terminal equipment or communications system incompatible with telecommunications services, or require modification or alteration of such customer-provided terminal equipment or communications systems, or otherwise materially affect its use or performance, the customer will be given adequate notice, as determined by the Company, in writing, to allow the customer an opportunity to maintain uninterrupted service.

A18. LONG DISTANCE MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Long Distance Message Telecommunications Services described in this Section will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A18.1 Application

This Guidebook applies to Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service (MTS) furnished or made available by the Company and its connecting companies, over facilities wholly within or partly within and partly without the state of Alabama, between two or more points within the state of Alabama where the respective rate centers of such points also are located within the same LATA in said state.

A18.2 General

- A. Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service is that of furnishing facilities for communications between stations in different rate centers for either two-point or conference service.
- B. Rates for service between points are based on airline mileage between rate centers. In general, each point is designated as a rate center except that certain small towns or communities are assigned adjacent rate centers with which they are closely associated for communication purposes or by community of interest. Airline mileages between rate centers are determined as provided in A18.5 following.
- C. Customer or Other Common Carrier-provided terminal equipment or system may be used with facilities furnished to the customer by the Company for Long Distance MTS as specified in Section A15. preceding.
- D. Long Distance MTS is provided for use by the Customer and may be used by others when so authorized by the Customer. Use of the service is subject to terms and conditions in Section A2., with the exception of A2.2.1.A. and A2.2.1.B., which restrict the use of service and prohibit payment to the Customer by another for use of the service.

A18.3 Two-Point Service

A18.3.1 Service Between Land Wire Telephones

A. Classes of Service

Service is offered on a Station-to-Station basis, as either Dial or Operator. These classes of calls are defined in Section A1., Definition of Terms.

B. Rates and Charges

1. Charges for each Long Distance MTS message between any two points within the state and within the same LATA are determined as follows:
 - a. All messages are rated in full minute increments. Initial minute and additional minute basic rates are specified in the Basic Rate Schedule in 2. following. Initial minute rates are for connections of one minute or any fraction thereof. Additional minute rates are for each additional minute or any fraction thereof that the connection continues beyond the first minute.
 - b. For any Operator Station, the surcharge specified in 4. following is added to the Basic Rate Schedule charge.
2. Basic Rate Schedule
 - a. The following table contains the initial minute and additional minute rates for the Day rate period for all call classes. These rates are based on chargeable time (duration) of the message, as specified in C. following, and the airline mileage between the rate centers of the two stations connected, as specified in A18.5. following.

A29. DATA TRANSPORT SERVICE

Except as otherwise indicated for Wire Centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Services described in this Section will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A29.2 Data Transport Access Channel Service

A29.2.1 General

- A. Data Transport Access Channel Service provides the data channel facilities between a customer's premises and a central office or between two central offices for access to Company provided central office data switched services or to other Enhanced Services, or for connection to other Company provided channel services. These services may also be utilized between two Enhanced Service Providers.
- B. The *terms, conditions* and rates specified herein are in addition to the applicable *terms, conditions* and rates specified in other sections of this and other *guidebooks* of the Company.
- C. Channel services provided under the provisions of this *Guidebook* section are offered for intraLATA use only and may not be used in connection with Switched Access Service offered under the Access Services Tariff.

A34. ADVANCED INTELLIGENT NETWORK (AIN) SERVICES

Except as otherwise indicated for wire centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Advanced Intelligent Network (AIN) Services described in this Section will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A34.1 Service Management System (SMS) Storage

A34.1.1 Description of Service

- A. Service Management System (SMS) Storage is utilized for storing subscription versions of data and report information for Advanced Intelligent Network (AIN) services. Multiple configurations of subscription data may be kept on file in SMS Storage and may be activated or changed by customer request.

A34.1.2 Definitions

ADVANCED INTELLIGENT NETWORK (AIN)

The Advanced Intelligent Network (AIN) is an evolutionary telecommunications platform that utilizes the infrastructure of the existing switch-based network and Common Channel Signaling System 7 (CCS7) architecture. The AIN architecture introduces centralized computer devices to host service applications that are integrated with Stored Program Control switch resident software, CCS7 and ISDN protocol.

SERVICE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Service Management System (SMS) is an AIN Operation Support System that distributes, interfaces and manages the AIN service applications and customer information resident in AIN Service Control Points and Service Nodes. The SMS provides the capability to provision AIN services, to maintain existing services and to obtain pertinent AIN reports.

A34.1.3 Terms and Conditions

- A. SMS Storage is available where facilities or arrangements permit.
- B. Except as noted, SMS Storage is subject to all general *terms and conditions* applicable to the provisioning of service by the Company as stated in Section A2.
- C. Suspension of Service as specified in Section A2. is not applicable for SMS Storage.

A34.1.4 Application of Rates

- A. Storage charges apply to the amount of storage, measured in units of 100 Kbytes¹, occupied by a customer's files in the SMS. Storage will be measured on a calendar month and charges for the month will be based on the customer's highest level of storage during the month. For purposes of billing, a partial unit of storage will be rounded up to the nearest unit.

A34.1.5 Rates and Charges

- A. Rate Elements
1. Storage

(a) Per Unit

Charge
\$1.00

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A34.2 (DELETED)

Note 1: A Kbyte is equal to 1024 bytes.

A40. FAST PACKET TRANSPORT SERVICES

A40.5 Broadband Line Service

Except as otherwise indicated for wire centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Fast Packet Transport Services/Broadband Line Service will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A40.5.1 General

- A. Broadband Line Service provides the customer with a local connection to high speed frame or cell-based switched services.
- B. Broadband Line Service is available under options. Rates, charges, terms and conditions specific to these options are in later subsections of this Guidebook section.
- C. Network interface specifications for Broadband Line Service are contained in BellSouth Technical Reference 73590. This publication is available from:
 BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
 Documentation Operations
 20th Floor
 600 North 19th Street
 Birmingham, AL 35203
- D. Broadband Line Service, as provided for in this Guidebook section, is offered for intraLATA use only and may not be utilized to connect to a Class 5 office for use in local exchange service transmissions.
- E. The terms, conditions and rates specified herein are in addition to the applicable terms, conditions and rates specified in other sections of this and other Guidebooks of the Company.
- F. The rates and charges set forth for Broadband Line Service provide for the furnishing of service where suitable facilities are available. Where special construction of facilities is necessary, special construction charges may apply as set forth in Section A5.

A40.5.2 Terms and Conditions

- A. Explanation of Terms
 - 1. Broadband Line
The link from the customer's premises to the customer's Serving Wire Center.
 - 2. Broadband Line Extension
When a customer's Serving Wire Center is not a Serving Area Point, a Broadband Line Extension is used to connect the Serving Wire Center to the closest Serving Area Point. The Broadband Line Extension is associated with a Broadband Line, or as specified otherwise herein this guidebook.
The Broadband Line Extension is measured on a per mile basis in airline miles from a Central Office that is not a Serving Area Point to a Serving Area Point.
 - 3. Network Serving Area
Certain Company Central Offices are designated Serving Area Points. A Network Serving Area is comprised of all the Serving Area Points in a geographic area.
 - 4. Serving Area Point
A Company Central Office that is designated as a member of the Network Serving Area.
- B. Basis of Offering
 - 1. Detailed monthly billing is not provided.
 - 2. Suspension of service is not allowed.
 - 3. The minimum service period is one month.

A42. INTEGRATED SERVICES DIGITAL NETWORK (ISDN)

Except as otherwise indicated for wire centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, Primary Rate ISDN Service will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A42.3 Primary Rate ISDN

A42.3.1 General

- A. Primary Rate ISDN is an intraLATA offering supported by the Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) architecture.
- B. Primary Rate ISDN provides an ISDN based, DS1 access to the telecommunications network and includes the flexibility of integration of multiple voice and/or data transmission channels on the same line. The service will provide connectivity between ISDN compatible CPE and a serving central office. The Service may not be installed at a carrier hotel, a collocation cage, or any similar location. The basic channel structure for Primary Rate ISDN is twenty-three 64 Kbps B-Channels and one 64 Kbps D-Channel. The customer has the option to activate up to 23 B-Channels on the first Primary Rate ISDN arrangement and up to 24 channels on additional Primary Rate ISDN arrangements. A Digital Data Only option¹ and an Inward Data Option are also available. The 23 B-Channels can be used to connect the customer's CPE to the Public Circuit Switched Network, e.g., outward, inward and 2-way network access. Calling Number Delivery, Called Number Delivery, Outgoing Calling Name Delivery, and Hunting functionality are inherent to this service. Incoming Calling Name Delivery, an optional feature offered at rates listed in A42.3.4.D.5., is available in switch types where equipped. Redirecting Number, an optional feature described in A42.3.3, is offered at no charge to the customer in switch types where equipped. Telephone numbers for use on Primary Rate ISDN are available in this Section. One Directory Listing will be furnished at no charge for each Primary Rate ISDN B-Channel. Additional listings can be obtained as specified in Section A6.
- C. Primary Rate ISDN provides capability for the transmission of digital signals only. Clear Channel Capability and Extended Superframe Format are inherent to the service.
- D. Primary Rate ISDN is provided within a LATA from wire centers where appropriate ISDN facilities are available as determined by the Company. Special Construction charges may apply as specified in Section A5.
- E. Primary Rate ISDN Access Lines furnished between a serving wire center and a customer's premises will be offered at a non-distance sensitive rate per Primary Rate ISDN Access Line. If a customer wishes to utilize another Company provided transport facility, e.g., SMARTRing service, that can meet the required standards to carry the Primary Rate ISDN Access (DS1) Line, the customer will incur no charge for the Primary Rate ISDN Access (DS1) Line. MegaLink service cannot be utilized to provide transport for Primary Rate ISDN except where the Primary Rate ISDN is terminated in FlexServ service. Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) Service can be utilized to transport Primary Rate ISDN Voice/Data - Flat Rate under the terms and conditions stated in A42.3.2.EE.
- F. Interoffice Channels furnished between central offices will be charged at rates based on airline distance between the central offices, except as provided in A42.3.2.Q. following.
- G. Airline distance between Company central offices shall be developed using the methodology found in B3.3.3. Fractional mileage shall be rounded up to the next full mile.
- H. The required components for Primary Rate ISDN are as follows:
 - Primary Rate ISDN Access Line where applicable
 - Interoffice Channels where applicable
 - Primary Rate ISDN Interface
 - Primary Rate ISDN B-Channels
 - Primary Rate ISDN D-Channel
 - Telephone Numbers
 - Call Types

Note 1: Effective May 1, 2014, customers may not add the Digital Data Only option, and existing term plans for this option may not be renewed.

A43. CHANNELIZED VOICE TRANSPORT SERVICES

Except as otherwise indicated for wire centers in section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, BellSouth Channelized Voice Transport Services/BellSouth Channelized Trunks will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

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A43.1 BellSouth Channelized Trunks

A43.1.1 General

- A. BellSouth Channelized Trunks provides channelized DS1/1.544 Mbps circuits available for voice intraLATA communications services only. Channelization is provided in the central office by D-type channel banks or equivalent which generally provide analog to digital conversion, permitting channels to be transported over digital high capacity facilities. The total number of trunks activated by the customer may not exceed the capacity of the Service Interface as described in A43.1.2. as follows. BellSouth Channelized Trunks are available where appropriate facilities exist as determined by the Company.
- B. BellSouth Channelized Trunks provides up to twenty-four Direct Inward Dial (DID) trunks, Outward Only trunks, Combination trunks, or a blend of these trunks, via a channelized DS1 (1.544 Mbps) transport facility. Individual DS0 (64 Kbps) Channels provided via BellSouth Channelized Trunks will each be identified as a "time slot" within a DS1 facility.
- C. Elements of Service
 1. 1.544 Mbps Access Line
The term "1.544 Mbps Access Line" denotes a path for BellSouth Channelized Trunks between the customer premises and its normal Serving Wire center (SWC). There is one 1.544 Mbps Access Line per DS1 facility and each line has a 1.544 Mbps data transmission rate. This line provides for the two-way simultaneous transmission of isochronous-timed, Bipolar Return to Zero (BPRZ) bit stream format except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format. Unframed signal formats are not compatible with Company equipment.
 2. 1.544 Mbps Interoffice Facility
The term "1.544 Mbps Interoffice Facility" denotes a path for BellSouth Channelized Trunks between Company SWCs within a LATA. A 1.544 Mbps Interoffice Facility may be furnished in such manner as the Company may elect.
 3. Service Interface
The term "Service Interface" denotes channelization capacity for the 1.544 Mbps Access Line associated with BellSouth Channelized Trunks in the Company's central office. There is only one Service Interface per DS1 facility. Individual DS0 Channels are made available for interconnection with the switched network either in single channels or in capacities of twenty-four voice grade channels.
 4. Channels
The term "Channels" denotes the individual DS0-level trunk types that are provided with BellSouth Channelized Trunks. Terminations to the switch for DID, Outward Only, and/or Combination trunks are available in quantities of up to twenty-four per 1.544 Mbps Access Line and Service Interface.
 5. Telephone Numbers
One Telephone Number is provisioned for Combination and Outward Only channels. DID Channel types may have more than one telephone number.
 6. Superframe Format and Extended Superframe Format
BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Lines are installed with Superframe (SF) or Extended Superframe (ESF) framing format and Alternate Mark Inversion (AMI) or Bipolar Eight Zero Substitution (B8ZS) coding configurations as specified by the customer. Customer signals at the channel interface must conform to these configurations as described in Technical Reference 73525. These configurations may be added or changed subsequent to initial installation of an existing BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Line and/or Interoffice Facility in which case customers must agree to out-of-service periods required to arrange existing trunks or facilities.
 7. Customer Premises Equipment (CPE)
A Channel Service Unit (CSU) or appropriate CPE provided by the customer is required at the customer premises to perform such functions as; 1) proper termination of service, 2) amplification, signal shaping, and/or 3) remote loopback.
 8. Arrangements With Other Services
These elements are in lieu of the central office and channel interface charges for SMARTRing Service or LightGate Service when BellSouth Channelized Trunks is arranged in conjunction with these services.
- D. The design, maintenance and operation of BellSouth Channelized Trunks is intended for communications originating and terminating from customers' premises to the normal serving wire center (SWC).

A47. BELLSOUTH REMOTE ACCESS SERVICE

A47.1 BellSouth Remote Access Service

Except as otherwise indicated for wire centers in Section A2.3.1.E, effective October 15, 2025, BellSouth Remote Access Service will no longer be available for purchase by new customers or new accounts for existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, or physically change service arrangements will not be accepted.

A47.1.1 General

- A. BellSouth Remote Access Service (RAS) is an intraLATA, extended reach, packet-switched data service that provides for the collection, concentration, signaling and aggregation of a customer's dial-up data traffic into a customer's designated hub site. BellSouth RAS is available as a customer controlled offering. It provides one way ports that allow the customer's users, who are located within the *Company's* serving area, to call into a remote access server.
- B. Remote access server equipment will be installed in a *Company* central office.
- C. BellSouth RAS supports a dedicated, customer selected remote access server with backup dial-in capability or out-of-band frame relay for network management. The customer may select their remote access server based on the *Company's* approved equipment list for this service.
- D. CPE must support Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol (L2TP) for the customer selected remote access server.
- E. The customer will also be responsible for providing the egress circuit(s) connecting BellSouth RAS to their hub location. Egress circuit(s) are required to deliver the BellSouth RAS traffic to the customer's designated location. These circuits can be ordered from the *Company* or other telecommunications providers with the execution of appropriate collocation agreements.
- F. BellSouth RAS is furnished in central offices equipped with remote access servers. Service intervals will be negotiated in cities where service is not deployed.
- G. The technical specifications and standard network interfaces for BellSouth RAS are in conformance with the Internet Architecture Board as stated in:
 - STD001, Internet Official Protocol Standards; J. Reynolds, R. Braden, issued June, 1999.
 - RFC 2138, Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service (RADIUS); C. Rigney, A. Rubens, W. Simpson, S. Willens, issued April, 1997.

These documents may be obtained from the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) at Corporation for National Research Initiatives, Attention: Accounting Department - IETF Proceedings, 1895 Preston White Drive, Suite 100, Reston, VA 20191-5434 or via Internet at www.ietf.org.

- H. The terms, conditions and rates specified herein are applicable to BellSouth RAS. Terms, conditions and rates specified in other sections of this and other Guidebooks of the *Company* may also apply.

A47.1.2 Terms and Conditions

- A. Explanation of Terms
 1. Remote Access Server - The remote access server is a type of equipment that will be used to aggregate the customer's dial traffic and send it to the customer location over their egress circuit. The remote access server will be connected to the Public Switched Network using Primary Rate ISDN or SS7 circuit facilities.
 2. Ingress Circuits - This term denotes the facility used to transport the customer's incoming dialed BellSouth RAS traffic, e.g. Primary Rate ISDN.
 3. Egress Circuits - This term denotes the facility used to transport the customer's dialed BellSouth RAS traffic to the customer's designated hub location once it has been collected and aggregated by the remote access server (e.g. Broadband Exchange Line).
 4. Extended Reach Area - An area where BellSouth RAS extends the reach from a remote access server to allow users the ability to make "non-local" calls without incurring intraLATA Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service charges.
- B. Basis of Offering
 1. Rates and charges specified in A47.1.3 following, are based on regional volume and term commitments. Customers must specify a regional commitment level and will be rated based on total regional in service volumes. Rating will be as set forth in 8. following.
 2. The minimum regional commitment level for BellSouth RAS is 10,000 ports.
 3. Initial orders for BellSouth RAS, per remote access server central office location, must be equal to or greater than 644 ports. All orders greater than 644 ports must be in increments of 23 ports where capacity allows.