

SECTION 3 – GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE

3.1 Service Descriptions

3.1.1 The Company provides telecommunications Services between locations within the state of Georgia as specified in Section 2.1 of this pricing and service guide. The Company's Service charges may be based upon service type, call duration, time of day rate period, mileage, and/or call type. (C)

3.1.2 The Company's Service is available twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week.

3.2 Calculation of Distance

For mileage sensitive services, the distance between originating and terminating points of a private line facility are determined using vertical ("V") and horizontal ("H") coordinates for the serving wire center(s) or BellSouth Long Distance access point(s) associated with the facility. For purposes of determining the airline mileage of a call the Company references the V and H coordinates as found in Telcordia's V&H Tape and NECA FCC Tariff No. 4. The use of coordinates for wire centers versus access points and the method for calculating actual distances varies based on the type of service and the form of access used to reach the BellSouth Long Distance network.

For non-switched private line services, mileage measurements are based on the distance in airline miles between BellSouth Long Distance access points associated with each end of the circuit. Distance measurements are determined using the mileage calculation method shown in section

3.2.1 Calculation Method for Private Line Services

The following steps describe the procedure for calculating mileage distances for private line services:

- Step 1 - Obtain the "V" and "H" coordinates for the Company access points serving the originating and terminating locations.
- Step 2 - Obtain the difference between the "V" coordinates. Obtain the Difference between the "H" coordinates. The difference is always obtained by subtracting the smaller coordinate from the larger coordinate.
- Step 3 - Square the differences obtained in Step 2.
- Step 4 - Add the squares of the "V" difference and "H" difference obtained in Step 3.
- Step 5 - Divide the sum of the square obtained in Step 4 by ten (10). Round to the next higher whole number if any fraction results from the division.
- Step 6 - Obtain the square root of the whole number obtained in Step 5. Round to the next higher whole number if any fraction is obtained. This is the distance between the wire centers and/or access points.

Formula:

$$\frac{(V1-V2)^2 + (H1-H2)^2}{10}$$