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#### RADIOTELEPHONE MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE

### 2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

### 2.1Undertaking of the Telephone Company

### 2.1.1 Scope

- (A)Radiotelephone Message Telecommunications Service is a public communications service for hire for two-way voice communications through a base station, between a mobile station and a landline telephone system, or between two mobile stations served via base stations.
- (B) The Telephone Company does not undertake to transmit messages but furnishes the use of its service to its customers for telecommunications.

## 2.1.2 Availability of Service

- (A)Radiotelephone Message Telecommunications Service is available to any person who wishes to become a customer. The service is available to mobile stations equipped for this service when within range of the base stations as set forth in 3.1 and 3.2 following, through which such service is furnished and subject to transmission, atmospheric and like limitations. This service is also available to mobile equipment of a portable character, not permanently installed in a mobile station or at a fixed location.
- (B)The use and restoration of service shall be in accordance with Part 64 Subpart D of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations, which specifies the priority system for such activities.
- (C)Service is furnished subject to the availability of the service components required. The Telephone Company will(1) determine which of those components shall be used and(2) make modifications to those components at its option.

### 2.1.3 Limitations of Duration of Connections

The Telephone Company reserves the right to limit the duration of connection when necessary because of a shortage of service components caused by emergency conditions. BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 3 Four AT&T Plaza, Dallas, Texas 75202 ORIGINAL PAGE 2-2

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2. GENERAL REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

### 2.1 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

## 2.1.4 Liability

- (A) In view of the fact that the customer has exclusive control of his communications over the service furnished him by the Telephone Company, and of the other uses for which service may be furnished him by the Telephone Company, and because of the unavoidability of errors incident to the use of such services of the Telephone Company, the services furnished by the Telephone Company are subject to the terms, conditions and limitations specified in (B), (C) and (D) following.
- (B) The Telephone Company's liability, if any, for its willful misconduct is not limited by this tariff. With respect to any other claims or suit, by a customer or by any others, for damages associated with any aspect of the provision of service (including the failure to reach a called station), and subject to the provisions of (C) through (E) following, the Telephone Company's liability, if any, shall not exceed an amount equal to the initial period charge applicable for such a message to the called station. This liability shall be in addition to any billing adjustments that may otherwise be appropriate.
- (C) The customer indemnifies and saves the Telephone Company harmless against claims for libel, slander, or infringement of copyright from the material transmitted over its service; against claims for infringement of patents arising from combining with, or using in connection with, service of the Telephone Company, apparatus and systems of the customer; and against all other claims arising out of any act or omission of the customer in connection with service provided by the Telephone Company.
- (D)No carrier participating in this service shall be liable for any act or omission of any other carrier also participating in the service.
- (E)The services furnished by the Telephone Company, in addition to the limitations set forth in 2.1.4 (A) through (D) preceding, also are subject to the following limitation: the Telephone Company shall not be liable for damage arising out of mistakes, omissions,

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### 2. GENERAL REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

- 2.1 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)
- 2.1.4 Liability (Cont'd)
  - (E) (Cont'd)

interruptions, delays, errors or defects in transmission or other injury, including but not limited to injuries to persons or property from voltages or currents transmitted over the service of the Telephone Company (1) caused by customer-provided equipment (except where a contributing cause is the malfunctioning of a Telephone Company-provided connecting arrangement), or (2) not prevented by customer-provided equipment but which would have been prevented had Telephone Company-provided equipment been used.

- 2.2Use
- 2.2.1 Use of Service

The service is provided for use by the customer and may be used by others, when so authorized by the customer, providing that all such usage shall be subject to the provisions of this tariff.

#### 2.2.2 Abuse and Fraudulent Use

The service is furnished subject to the condition that there will be no abuse or fraudulent use of the service. Abuse or fraudulent use of service includes:

- (A) The use of the services of the Telephone Company to transmit a message or to locate a person or otherwise give or obtain information, without payment of the charge applicable for service;
- (B) The obtaining, or attempting to obtain, or assisting another to obtain or to attempt to obtain, Radiotelephone Message Telecommunications Service by rearranging, tampering with, or making connection with any service components of the Telephone Company, or by any trick, scheme, false representation, or false credit device, or by or through any other fraudulent means or device whatsoever, with intent to avoid the payment in whole or in part, of the regular charge for such service;

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## 2. <u>GENERAL REGULATIONS</u> (CONT'D)

## 2.2 <u>Use</u> (Cont'd)

## 2.2.2 <u>Abuse and Fraudulent Use</u> (Cont'd)

- (C) The use of the service of the Telephone Company for a call or calls, anonymous or otherwise in a manner reasonably expected to frighten, abuse, torment, or harass another;
- (D) The use of profane or obscene language; and
- (E) The use of the service in such a manner as to interfere unreasonably with the use of the service by one or more other customers.

## 2.2.3 Unlawful Purposes

The service is furnished subject to the condition that it will not be used for an unlawful purpose.

## 2.3 Obligations of the Customer

- 2.3.1 The calling party shall establish his identity in the course of any communication as often as may be necessary.
- 2.3.2 The calling party shall be solely responsible for establishing the identity of the person or persons with whom connection is made at the called station or stations.

## 2.4 Payment Arrangements

## 2.4.1 Payment for Service

The customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services furnished to the customer, including charges for services originated or charges accepted at the customer's station. (D)

## 2.4.2 <u>Billing and Collection of Charges</u>

The charges for calls and chargeable reports are due when billed and are billed and collected by the Telephone Company or the connecting company from whose station the calls were sent paid or at whose station the calls were received collect. ISSUED: JUNE 16, 2011

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#### 2. GENERAL REGULATIONS (CONT'D)

#### 2.4Payment Arrangements (Cont'd)

#### 2.4.2 Billing and Collection of Charges (Cont'd)

The late payment charge applicable to intraLATA services as specified in the Telephone Company's General Subscriber Service Tariff, or as specified by the State Commission, also applies to Radiotelephone Message Telecommunications Service.

#### 2.4.3 Termination of Service for Cause

Upon nonpayment of any sum due the Telephone Company, or upon a violation of any of the conditions governing the furnishing of service, the Telephone Company may by notice in writing to the customer, without incurring any liability, forthwith discontinue the furnishing of said service.

#### 2.4.4 Advance Payments

Applicants for Radiotelephone Message Telecommunications Service, whose financial responsibility is not a matter of general knowledge or who are not connected in a substantial way with a firm, corporation or other concern of established credit, may be required to make an advance payment of at least one month's estimated charges.

#### 2.4.5 Deposits

The Telephone Company may, in order to safeguard its interests, require an applicant or a customer to deposit a sum up to an amount equal to twice the estimated average monthly charge for usage of Radiotelephone Message Telecommunications Service offered herein; such deposit to be held by the Telephone Company as a guarantee of the payment of charges provided herein. The fact that a deposit has been made in no way relieves the applicant or customer from complying with the Telephone Company regulations as to advance payments and the prompt payment of bills on presentation. At such time as the service is terminated, the amount of the deposit is credited to the customer's account and any credit balance which may remain is refunded. At the option of the Telephone Company, such a deposit may be refunded or credited to the customer at any time prior to termination of the service.

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## 2. <u>GENERAL REGULATIONS</u> (CONT'D)

### 2.4 <u>Payment Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)

# 2.4.5 <u>Deposits</u> (Cont'd)

In case of a cash deposit, for the period the deposit is held by the Telephone Company, the customer will receive simple interest at the rate of 6 percent per annum, unless a different rate has been established by the appropriate legal authority within the state.

## 2.4.6 Monetary Units

In connection with service from ships, vessels or aircraft points outside the United States, to points within the United States, when the charges to customers are made by a company or administration not subject to the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, the following conditions apply:

- (A) In the case of service from vessels or aircraft of United States registry, the charges shown in this tariff for such service are quoted by the vessel or aircraft in United States dollars.
- (B) In the case of service from vessels or aircraft registered in countries other than the United States, the charges are quoted in United States dollars or are converted into the currency of the country of registry at rates of exchange with respect to United States dollars, which may vary from time to time because of changes in monetary and other conditions.

In connection with service from ships, vessels or aircraft outside the United States to points within the United States, when the charges to customers are made by Telephone Companies in the United States, rates as specified herein, plus additional charges of foreign administrations if any, in United States dollars, apply to all calls.

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## 2. <u>GENERAL REGULATIONS</u> (CONT'D)

## 2.5 <u>Definitions</u>

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## <u>Collect Call</u>

The term "Collect Call" denotes a billing arrangement by which the charge for a call may be reversed provided the charge is accepted at the called station. The station charge portion of an international collect call must be billed to a third party number or Marine Identification Number (MIN). A collect call to (D) the United States mainland may be billed to a third party number. In the case (D) of a public or semi-public coin telephone the charges must be billed to a third party number or the call may be re-originated from the called station. (D)

#### <u>Customer</u>

The term "Customer" denotes the person, firm or corporation responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with the regulations of the Telephone Company.



## Dial Station

The term "Dial Station" denotes that service where the person originating the call dials the telephone number desired, completes the message without the assistance of a Telephone Company operator and the message is billed to the originating number.

## Initial and Additional Periods

The term "Initial Period" denotes the interval of time allowed at the rate quoted for a connection between given points.

The term "Additional Period" denotes the unit of time used for measuring and charging for time in excess of the initial period.

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## 2. <u>GENERAL REGULATIONS</u> (CONT'D)

## 2.5 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

## Local Access and Transport Area (LATA)

The term "Local Access and Transport Area" denotes a geographic area established for the provision and administration of communications service. It encompasses one or more designated exchanges, which are grouped to serve common social, economic and other purposes.

### <u>Operator Station</u>

The term "Operator Station" denotes Station-to-Station service other than Dial Station service.

#### Person-to-Person

The term "Person-to-Person" denotes that service where the person originating the call specifies to the operator a particular person, mobile station, department, or office to be reached.

#### South Central Bell

References in this tariff to South Central Bell are for services provided in the states of Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee. These services were formerly provided by the South Central Bell Telephone Company and are now provided by BellSouth Telecommunications.

#### <u>Southern Bell</u>

References in this tariff to Southern Bell are for services provided in the states of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. These services were formerly provided by the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company and are now provided by BellSouth Telecommunications.

#### <u>United States</u>

The term "United States" denotes the United States mainland, i.e., the District of Columbia and all states except Alaska and Hawaii.

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