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**A108. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - TELEPHONE ANSWERING SERVICE FACILITIES**

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(Obsoleted 7-28-04, Type D) Obsoleted service offering. Service rates and charges in this section are available for inward activity of existing subscribers only as specified following. Not available for new service/system or entire moves of existing service to new locations.

**A108.1 General Provisions****A108.1.1 Facilities and Equipment**

- A. The Company will provide facilities, as outlined herein, for Telephone Answering Service (TAS)/Telemessaging Service companies (telephone answering bureaus, secretarial firms) for their use in furnishing telephone answering service for subscribers to individual and 2-party line service, mobile telephone service with dialing capability, and two-way dial service of a miscellaneous common carrier when they are absent or do not desire to answer their calls personally. In order to qualify for the rates and charges indicated herein, a Telephone Answering Service/Telemessaging Service company must be a service bureau that engages in the primary business of providing live and/or voice mail telephone answering/telemessaging services for profit to clients desiring to have their business and/or residential telephone answered in their absence. In addition, these companies shall operate with sales of their services available to the general public. The rates and charges in this Section are not available for provision of other services such as ticket sales, catalog sales, etc. These rates and charges will be provided to companies identified by their primary yellow pages listing(s) as Telephone Answering Service or Telemessaging Service companies.
- B. PBX (or similar systems), business individual line, and local private line terminations may also be provided where the subscriber contracts with a telephone answering bureau to receive all incoming calls or where the telephone answering bureau wishes to terminate administrative service for answering purposes only. Standard charges for these services are applicable.
- C. A concentrator-identifier is available for connecting a telephone answering bureau with secretarial lines or business individual lines of its clients located in central office areas other than that in which the telephone answering bureau is located. Where business individual lines are connected to concentrators, the address of the telephone answering bureau shall be shown in the listing for service. (T)
- D. The telephone answering bureau may bridge calls from secretarial lines to the general exchange network over exchange central office lines furnished the bureau for its administrative use; however, these facilities furnished by the Company are not designed for such call bridging. The telephone answering bureau bridges calls at its own risk and the Company will not be liable for defects in transmission or other service difficulties arising out of or resulting from this type connection.

**A108.1.2 Reserved for Future Use****A108.2 Rates and Charges**

Telephone answering service facilities are billed at the rates and charges indicated herein to the telephone answering bureau with the exception of the facilities outlined in A108.2.4 which are billed to the client of the telephone answering bureau.

**A108.2.1 Central Office Lines and Station Lines for Administrative Use**

- A. Associated with key equipment, consoles and switchboards not arranged for making connections to administrative station lines.
  1. Rates and charges for Business Individual Lines. PBX station line rates and charges apply for those station lines in excess of the number of central office lines.
- B. Associated with switchboards arranged for making connections to administrative station lines.
  1. Rates and charges for PBX trunks and station lines.

**A108.2.2 Concentrator - Identifier Channels**

- A. Where the concentrator is located in the same exchange as the TAS bureau, the following charges apply.
  1. (DELETED)

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**A108.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)**

**A108.2.2 Concentrator - Identifier Channels (Cont'd)**

A. Where the concentrator is located in the same exchange as the TAS bureau, the following charges apply. (Cont'd)

2. Channel Terminals

	<b>Installation Charge</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>
(a) Each (two per interoffice channel)	<b>\$27.30</b>	<b>\$5.20</b>	<b>PMN</b>
3. Secretarial Line Mileage			
(a) Secretarial line mileage between the TAS Bureau and its serving wire center, per line per 1/4 mile	-	<b>1.30</b>	<b>1LJBR</b>

B. Where the concentrator is located in a different exchange from the TAS bureau within the same LATA, the following charges apply.

1. The Interexchange Channel mileage charge applies for that portion of the channel between the rate center of the exchange where the concentrator is located and the exchange rate center of the TAS bureau, per mile or fraction thereof.

(a) Channels between 0.1 mile and 10.0 miles	-	<b>3.35</b>	<b>1LPH4</b>
(b) Channels over 10 miles	-	<b>1.95</b>	<b>1L6H4</b>

2. Channel Terminal, each (two per Interexchange Channel)

(a) Where the interexchange mileage is over 10 miles	<b>21.00</b>	<b>24.00</b>	<b>P1N</b>
(b) Where the interexchange mileage is over 10 miles	<b>21.00</b>	<b>42.15</b>	<b>P3N</b>

C. When the TAS bureau's serving wire center is not the primary wire center, interoffice Channel mileage and Channel Terminal Charges are applicable for that portion of the channel between the TAS bureau's serving central office and the primary wire center.

When the wire center where the concentrator is located is not the primary wire center, interoffice Channel mileage and channel Terminal Charges are applicable for that portion of the channel between the wire center where the concentrator is located and the primary wire center.

1. **(DELETED)** (D)

2. Channel Terminals

(a) Each (two per interoffice channel)	<b>27.30</b>	<b>5.20</b>	<b>PMN</b>
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D. Control channels - See Private Line *Guidebook* for charges (T)

**A108.2.3 Inward Dialing Capability**

A. Central Office Components

1. Telephone Answering Service (TAS) Inward Dialing Service<sup>1,2,3</sup>

(a) Establish trunk group and provide first group of 20 numbers	<b>915.00</b>	<b>.10</b>	<b>NDZ</b>
(b) Each additional group of 20 numbers	<b>15.00</b>	<b>.10</b>	<b>ND4</b>

**Note 1:** This service provides outpulsing of digits from the central office toward the Telephone Answering Service system. This service is provided subject to available facilities and other conditions as specified in A12.7.1. TAS service must be classified as the unique basic class of service USOC SFB. (T)

**Note 2:** Uses dial pulse address pulsing.

**Note 3:** The rates and charges for numbers also apply to blocks of reserved telephone numbers.

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**A108.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)**

**A108.2.3 Inward Dialing Capability (Cont'd)**

**A. Central Office Components (Cont'd)**

1. Telephone Answering Service (TAS) Inward Dialing Service<sup>1,2,3</sup> (Cont'd)

	<b>Installation Charge</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC NDT</b>
(c) Trunk terminations providing Direct Inward Dialing capability for use with Telephone Answering Service system <sup>4</sup>	<b>\$90.00</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>	
(d) Multifrequency (MF) pulsing option, each trunk <sup>5</sup>	-	<b>7.50</b>	<b>S5MBD</b>
(e) DualTone Multifrequency (DTMF) pulsing option, each trunk <sup>5</sup>	-	<b>7.50</b>	<b>S5DBD</b>

**A108.2.4 Billing to the Client**

The following rates and charges are billed directly by the Company to the client of the telephone answering bureau:

**A. Secretarial Line Terminations**

1. For lines terminating directly from the central office or through concentrator-identifier

(a) Secretarial Line Termination, each	-	-	<b>SSS</b>
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**B. Secretarial Line Channels:**

1. Between terminations located in the same serving wire center area.

a. Where the client is in the same building as the telephone answering firm<sup>6</sup>

(1) Charges apply for each termination

(a) Each termination	-	<b>.65</b>	<b>1LJBB</b>
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b. Where the client is connected directly to the TAS Bureau, the following charges apply.

(1) Secretarial Line Mileage charges apply for connection between the TAS Bureau serving wire center and the TAS Bureau location

(a) Per 1/4 mile	-	<b>1.30</b>	<b>1LJBR</b>
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2. Between terminations located in different serving central office areas.

a. Where the client is directly connected to the TAS Bureau the following charges apply

(1) The Interoffice Channel mileage charge applies for that portion of the channel between the client's serving central office of the TAS Bureau

(a) Per mile or fraction thereof	-	<b>7.25</b>	<b>1LJBH</b>
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**Note 1:** This service provides outpulsing of digits from the central office toward the Telephone Answering Service system. This service is provided subject to available facilities and other conditions as specified in A12.7.1. TAS service must be classified as the unique basic class of service USOC SFB. (T)

**Note 2:** Uses dial pulse address pulsing.

**Note 3:** The rates and charges for numbers also apply to blocks of reserved telephone numbers.

**Note 4:** In addition to the rates and charges for the DID trunk termination, rates and charges for DID PBX trunks as specified in Section A3. apply as appropriate. (T)

**Note 5:** Provides faster signaling on TAS Inward Dialing trunks. The choice of pulsing alternative depends on the customer's premises equipment.

**Note 6:** Charges are applicable only for those facilities in place as of June 30, 1984.

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**A108.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)**

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**A108.2.4 Billing to the Client (Cont'd)**

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**B. Secretarial Line Channels: (Cont'd)**

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2. Between terminations located in different serving central office areas. (Cont'd)

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a. Where the client is directly connected to the TAS Bureau the following charges apply (Cont'd)

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(2) Channel Terminal

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<b>Installation Charge</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>
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(O)

(a) Each (two per interoffice channel)

<b>\$27.30</b>	<b>\$5.20</b>	<b>PMN</b>
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(3) Secretarial Line Mileage charges apply for the connection between the TAS Bureau location serving C.O. and TAS Bureau location

(O)

(a) Per 1/4 mile

-	<b>1.30</b>	<b>1LJBR</b>
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(4) When the client requests that a telephone number be terminated only at the TAS Bureau, exchange rates for the class of service requested apply in lieu of the mileage charges.

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b. Where the client is connected to a concentrator in the client's serving central office area.

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(1) Charges apply for each concentrator line termination

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(a) Concentrator Line Termination, each

-	<b>1.30</b>	<b>S6T</b>
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**A108.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)**

**A108.2.4 Billing to the Client (Cont'd)**

**B. Secretarial Line Channels: (Cont'd)**

- 2. Between terminations located in different serving central office areas. (Cont'd)
  - c. Where the client is connected to the TAS Bureau through concentrator-identifier equipment located in a central office area other than the client's serving central office area and is bridged to the concentrator in the central office
    - (1) The Interoffice Channel Mileage charge applies for that portion of the channel between the client's serving central office in which the concentrator is located

	<b>Installation Charge</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>
(a) Per mile or fraction thereof	\$-	\$7.25	1LJDH
(2) Channel Terminal			
(a) Each (two per interoffice channel)	27.30	5.20	PMN
(3) <b>(DELETED)</b>			

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- 3. Between terminations located in different exchanges within the same LATA
  - a. Where the client is directly connected to the TAS Bureau, the following charges apply
    - (1) The Interexchange channel mileage charge applies for that portion of the channel between the client's exchange rate center and the exchange rate center of the TAS Bureau, per mile or fraction thereof
      - (a) Channels between 0.1 mile to 10.0 miles
      - (b) All other channels
    - (2) Channel Terminal, each (two per Interexchange Channel)
      - (a) Where the Interexchange mileage is 10 miles or less
      - (b) Where the Interexchange mileage is over 10 miles
    - (3) When the client's serving central office is not the primary wire center, Interoffice Channel mileage and Channel Terminal charges are applicable for that portion of the channel between the client's serving central office and the primary wire center.
    - (4) When the TAS Bureau's serving wire center is not the primary wire center, Interoffice Channel mileage and Channel Terminal Charges are applicable for that portion of the channel between the TAS bureau's serving central office and the primary wire center.

(a) <b>(DELETED)</b>			
(b) Channel Terminal (two per interoffice channel)	27.30	5.20	PMN

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**A108.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)**

**A108.2.4 Billing to the Client (Cont'd)**

**B. Secretarial Line Channels: (Cont'd)**

3. Between terminations located in different exchanges within the same LATA (Cont'd)

a. (Cont'd)

(5) Secretarial Line Mileage charges apply for the connection between the TAS Bureau serving wire center and the TAS Bureau location

	<b>Installation Charge</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>
(a) Per 1/4 mile	\$-	<b>\$1.30</b>	<b>1LJBR</b>

(6) When the client requests that a telephone number be terminated only at the TAS Bureau, exchange rates for the class of service requested apply in lieu of the mileage charges.

b. Where the client is connected to the TAS Bureau through a concentrator-identifier equipment located in a wire center in the same exchange as the TAS Bureau and is bridged to the concentrator in the central office

(1) The interexchange channel mileage charge applies for that portion of the channel between the client's portion of the channel between the client's exchange rate center and the exchange rate center of the wire center in which the concentrator is located, per mile

(a) Channels under 10 miles	-	<b>3.35</b>	<b>1LPH4</b>
(b) Channels over 10 miles	-	<b>1.95</b>	<b>1L6+4</b>

(2) Channel Terminal, each (two per interexchange channel)

(a) Where the interexchange mileage is 10 miles or less	<b>21.00</b>	<b>24.00</b>	<b>P1N</b>
(b) Where the interexchange mileage is over 10 miles	<b>21.00</b>	<b>42.15</b>	<b>P3N</b>

(3) When the client's serving wire center is not the primary wire center, Interoffice Channel mileage and Channel Terminal Charges are applicable for that portion of the channel between the client's serving wire center and the primary wire center.

(4) When the central office where the concentrator is located is not the primary wire center, Interoffice Channel mileage and Channel Terminal Charges are applicable for that portion of the channel between the wire center where the concentrator is located and the primary wire center.

(a) <b>(DELETED)</b>				(D)
(b) Channel Terminal, (two per interoffice channel), each	<b>27.30</b>	<b>5.20</b>	<b>PMN</b>	

(5) Secretarial Line Connection Charge

(a) Each Connection	-	<b>1.30</b>	<b>S6T</b>
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**A108.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)**

**A108.2.4 Billing to the Client (Cont'd)**

**C. Service Connection Charges:**

1. For each secretarial line connected either directly to the telephone answering facility or through Concentrator-Identifier equipment, the following charge applies with exception in 2 and 3 following:

	<b>Service Charge</b>	<b>USOC</b>
(a) Each line or termination <sup>1</sup>	<b>\$56.50</b>	<b>NA</b>
2. Business Individual Lines <sup>2</sup>		
3. Changes of client's lines from a direct connection to a telephone answering facility to a connection through Concentrator-Identifier equipment or vice versa are made without charge.		

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**A108.2.5 Reserved for Future Use**

**A108.3 (DELETED)**

**Note 1:** Where the secretarial line is bridged in the central office this charge does not apply in connection with a change of address of the client's access line within the same central office area.

**Note 2:** The charges specified in the "Service Charges" section of this Guidebook (Section A4) for Business main station services apply. (Residence not permitted.) The charge specified in A108.2.4.C.1.(a) preceding does not apply.



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**A108.3 (DELETED) (Cont'd)**

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**A108.3 (DELETED) (Cont'd)**

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