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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(B) End Office#

The End Office rate category provides the local end office switching functions necessary to complete the transmission of Switched Access communications to and from the end users served by the local end office. The End Office rate category includes the Local Switching and Information (i.e., Directory Assistance) rate elements. In addition, certain end office optional features are provided at charges set forth in Section 6.9.2(A)(1). Directory Assistance Service and the applicable rates for it are set forth in Section 9.

(1) Local Switching

The Local Switching rate element provides for (1) local end office switching, i.e., the common switching functions associated with the various Switched Access Service arrangements and (2) intercept functions, i.e., the termination of certain calls at a Telephone Company intercept recording.

It is divided into two distinct categories: LS1 and LS2. The first category, LS1, provides local switching for Feature Groups A and B except when used in conjunction with Dedicated Access Line Service for terminating traffic at end offices. The second category, LS2, provides local switching for Feature Group D, 800 Access Service, 900 Access Service, and for Feature Groups A and B when used in conjunction with Dedicated Access Line Service for terminating traffic at end office.

Refer to Section 20 for Illinois exceptions.

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