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A5. CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

A5.1 Construction Charges (Cont'd)

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D. Underground Facilities Required by a Political Subdivision of a State

When a political subdivision of a state requests that existing aerial facilities be changed to underground facilities and/or that all new facilities be placed underground where a different type of construction would be used, the Company will increase its rates by a uniform percentage in the political subdivision involved in an amount sufficient to recover the difference between the cost incurred or to be incurred and the cost it would normally have incurred.

E. Local Distribution Underground Construction

1. Local distribution underground conduit is conduit between buildings on private property, other than entrance underground conduit, in which local underground cable facilities are placed for extension telephone and private branch exchange telephone lines, signaling lines, etc.
2. The customer or applicant is required to provide and maintain suitable local distribution underground conduit.
3. The Company will place local distribution facilities underground without the use of conduit where in its opinion conditions are suitable. In such cases the customer or applicant is required to provide and maintain suitable excavation and fill-in. The cost of excavation and fill-in if required in connection with maintenance or replacement of facilities of the Company is borne by the customer.
4. The application of construction charges for cable and wire facilities provided in connection with local distribution underground construction is described in A5.1.10.

A5.1.7 Special Types of Construction

When a special type of construction other than those covered preceding is desired by a subscriber or where the individual requirements of a particular situation make the construction unusually expensive, the subscriber is required to bear the excess cost of such construction. Any special maintenance expense that may from time to time occur will be borne by the subscriber.

A5.1.8 Rearrangements of Existing Plant

- A.** When the Company is requested to move or change existing plant for which no specific charge is quoted in this Guidebook, the person at whose request such move or change is made may be required to bear the costs incurred. (T)
- B.** Where by statute, ordinance or other legal requirement, existing aerial facilities are required to be relocated underground, the Company will charge the net cost attributable to such relocation to the local exchange subscribers located within the political subdivision or area affected by such statute, ordinance or other legal requirement. (N)

A5.1.9 Construction Required For Temporary Service

When construction is required for temporary service and there is no immediate prospect of reusing the plant provided, the subscriber may be required to bear all or a portion of the cost of such construction.

B5. APPLICATION OF CONSTRUCTION (TERMINATION AND ADDITIONAL CHARGES)

B5.1 General (Cont'd)

I. Engineering Work Preparation Fee

A one-time Engineering Work Preparation Fee of \$500 will apply for the preparation of a quotation for custom work which may require construction charges. This fee is applicable prior to preparation of an estimate for custom work requiring construction charges and will be applied regardless of whether or not the work is ultimately performed for the customer. The Engineering Work Preparation Fee is nonrefundable; however, should the customer proceed with the custom work the fee will be applied against the special construction charges. If work is determined not to be a custom work order after the field visit by the engineer, the fee will be refunded to the customer.

The Engineering Work Preparation Fee provides for the development and preparation of a detailed estimate of cost including any appropriate engineering costs incurred in the preparation of this quotation. The customer will be advised of this charge and must agree to pay it before development of the quotation will commence. Preparation of the quotation will begin after the Engineering Work Preparation Fee is received by the Company.

Payment of the Engineering Work Preparation Fee does not assign, confer, or transfer title or ownership rights to proposals or equipment, designed or furnished by the Company. Title and ownership rights for any item developed at the customer's request remains with the Company except as specifically provided by an agreement between all parties.

The Company has the right to apply more applicable engineering preparation fees for any large, complex and/or unique projects that will require excessive engineering hours to develop a detailed cost quote.

J. Rearrangement of Existing Plant

1. When the Company is requested to move or change existing plant for which no specific charge is quoted in this Guidebook, the person at whose request such move or change is made may be required to bear the costs incurred. (N)

2. Where by statute, ordinance or other legal requirement, existing aerial facilities are required to be relocated underground, the Company will charge the net cost attributable to such relocation to the local exchange subscribers located within the political subdivision or area affected by such statute, ordinance or other legal requirement. (N)

B5.2 Special Type of Construction

A. Where a special type of construction is necessary because of unusual conditions or is desired by a customer, as when underground construction is desired in places where aerial facilities would normally be used to reach customer's premises, or when conditions imposed by a customer make the installation exceptionally expensive, an additional charge will be made equal to the difference between the cost of the special type of construction and the cost of normal construction.

B. Where facilities are changed from aerial to underground, the customer is charged the cost of the underground facilities and for the cost of dismantling and moving the aerial facilities. Repair or replacements of cable in conduit or trench made necessary by damages caused by the customer or his representatives will be made only at the customer's expense.

C. Construction Provided By Connecting Companies or Other Participating Companies

The charges to the customer for special construction provided by a connecting or other participating company of the Company will be based on the charges of the connecting or other participating company.

B5.3 Entrance and Local Distribution Facilities

A. Pole Line Facilities

1. Poles to be used in serving only a particular customer and located on his premises shall in all cases be furnished and maintained by him or at his expense and shall conform to the Company's specifications. Ownership of such poles on private property is vested in the customer and necessary pole replacements shall be made by him.

2. Poles on private property to be used to serve more than one customer or to be used as a part of the standard distributing plant serving customers in general are furnished, maintained and owned by the Company, subject to such construction charge as may be applicable.

B. Underground Facilities

1. Underground facilities consist either of underground conduit in which the underground cable is placed or, in lieu of conduit, where in the opinion of the Company conditions are suitable, of only excavation and fill-in in which buried underground wires or cables are placed, on private property required to serve one building or group of buildings. Underground conduit is provided as specified in paragraph 2. Underground facilities without conduit are provided as specified in paragraph 3.

2. The customer or applicant is responsible for providing, at his own expense, all conduit located on private property including all conduit located on easements or rights-of-way, excluding public streets and highways, dedicated to public use but maintained by the customer or applicant. The Company may also require that a pull wire be provided by the customer or applicant for the purpose of placing wire or cable.

The Company will place its underground cables in conduit provided and maintained by the customer or others if in its opinion the conduit is properly located and suitable for such use. Permission to use such conduit must be furnished to the Company free of cost.