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A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

A3.1 General

- A. The provisions of Section A3 of this Tariff are applicable to all regulated basic local exchange service offered by the Company in any Kentucky exchange other than: Bowling Green, Corbin, Frankfort, Georgetown, Henderson, Hopkinsville, Louisville, Owensboro, Paducah, Richmond, and Winchester.¹
- B. Rates for Basic Local Exchange Service are related to the total number of main station lines¹ (including Centrex Type Services main station lines, except as provided following,) and PBX trunks (including trunks providing Service to U.S. Government-owned systems serving certified military bases) in the Limited Local Calling Area.
- C. Local Exchange Service, Exchange Service Areas, and Local Calling Areas for each exchange are set out in this Tariff.
- D. The rates for service and equipment not specifically shown in this section are presented in other sections of this Tariff.
- E. Individual (Ind.) and two-party (2-Pty.) line Residence and Business Main Station Line Service are comprised of serving central office line equipment and outside plant facilities needed to connect the serving central office with the customer premises at the demarcation point. These facilities are Company-provided and maintained and provide access to and from the telecommunications network for Message Toll Service and for local calling.
- F. Measured Rate Main Station Line or Trunk Service is available only to those customers subscribing to the service on January 19, 1984, or who had ordered the service by that date for later installation. The service will remain available to those subscribers only in those central offices which were furnishing the service on January 19, 1984.
- G. Pursuant to KPSC Administrative Case No. 333, a monthly surcharge shall be imposed on all local exchange access lines, MultiServ service lines and MultiServ PLUS service lines or in the case of ESSX service and Centrex service, per Network Access Register (NAR). For purposes of application of this surcharge, access lines are defined as facilities which provide access to and from the telecommunications network for toll service and for local calling with the exception of Public Coin, WATS, Remote Call Forwarding, Radio Common Carriers, InterLATA Foreign Exchange Lines, Private Line Services, Mobile, Other Common Carriers, and Company Official Accounts. The Commission has determined in KPSC Administrative Case No. 372, Order dated February 16, 2009, that the amount of the surcharge will be \$.02 per access line effective June 1, 2009; however, this amount is subject to change by the Commission to meet the needs of providing Telecommunications Relay Service for the hearing and/or speech impaired persons in Kentucky.

Pursuant to KPSC Administrative Case No. 372, Order dated May 31, 2006, the Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf (TDD) distribution program shall be renamed Telecommunications Access Program (TAP) and shall be funded by a monthly surcharge of \$.02 per access line beginning with bills rendered after July 1, 2006. As of December 1, 1999, the surcharge was combined with the Telecommunications Relay Service surcharge. The resulting combined surcharge (\$.04 per access line from June 1, 2009) shall appear as a separate line item on the customer's bill and shall read "TRS/TAP Surcharge."

- H. Effective July 10, 1993 two-party (2-Pty) line service is being obsoleted. This service will not be offered for new installations or transfers of service to a new location.

Effective January 24, 1994, the Company will begin a program to upgrade two-party customers to individual line service. Customers will be notified prior to their service being changed. When upgraded, residential customers will be allowed to continue paying two-party zone charges (see Section A103.) until one of the following occurs: transfer of service to new location; additional line(s) added; or requested relocation of Company facilities.

- I. Pursuant KPSC Administrative Case No. 360, a monthly Intrastate Universal Service Surcharge shall be imposed on all local exchange access lines, MultiServ service lines and MultiServ PLUS service lines or in the case of ESSX service and Centrex service, per Network Access Register (NAR). For purposes of application of this surcharge, access lines are defined as facilities which provide access to and from the telecommunications network for toll service and for local calling with the exception of WATS, Remote Call Forwarding, Radio Common Carriers, InterLATA Foreign Exchange Lines, Private Line Services, Mobile, Interexchange Carriers, and Company Official Accounts. The Commission has determined in Case No. 2016-0059, Order dated **August 31, 2017**, that the amount of the surcharge will be **\$.09** per access line; however, this amount is subject to change by the Commission to meet the needs of the Universal Service Fund in Kentucky. The surcharge shall appear as a separate line item on the customer's bill.

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Note 1: The prices, terms, and conditions for Company services offered in the Bowling Green, Corbin, Frankfort, Georgetown, Henderson, Hopkinsville, Louisville, Owensboro, Paducah, Richmond, and Winchester exchanges are governed by other documents, including without limitation applicable Residential Service Agreements, Business Service Agreements, General Exchange guidebooks, and/or price guides.