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**A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE**

**A3.2 Statewide Rate Schedules**

**A3.2.1 Flat Rate Schedule**

A. Business Multiline Service, per line			
1. Monthly Rates by UNE Zone <sup>1</sup>		<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>
(a) Zone 1		<i>\$125.00</i>	NA (I)
(b) Zone 2		<i>125.00</i>	NA (I)
(c) Zone 3		<i>125.00</i>	NA (I)
B. Residence Service, per line			
1. Monthly rates by UNE zone <sup>1</sup>			
(a) Zone 1		<b>25.00</b>	NA
(b) Zone 2		<b>21.28</b>	NA
(c) Zone 3		<b>21.28</b>	NA
C. Business Single Line Service, per line			
1. Monthly rates by UNE zone <sup>1</sup>			
(a) Zone 1		<i>125.00</i>	NA (I)
(b) Zone 2		<i>125.00</i>	NA (I)
(c) Zone 3		<i>125.00</i>	NA (I)
D. Flat Rate subscribers receive free local calling to all locations within the Basic Local Calling Area as described in A3.6. Local calls completed within the Expanded Local Calling Area as described in Section A1., will be billed according to the rates, terms and conditions as specified in A3.32 or A3.33.			

**A3.2.2 Reserved For Future Use**

**A3.2.3 Measured Rate Schedule (Obsoleted, See Section A103)**

**A3.2.4 (DELETED)**

**A3.2.5 Reserved For Future Use**

**A3.2.6 Reserved For Future Use**

**A3.2.7 (DELETED)**

**Note 1:** See A3.6.4 for a list of exchanges by UNE Zone.

**Pages 2.1 through 6 are hereby deleted in their entirety and removed from this Guidebook.**

### A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### A3.19 Grouping Service

##### A3.19.1 General

Grouping service is a combination of two or more individual lines connected to the central office so that incoming calls to the listed number overflow to the next available line if the listed number is busy. This service is available with flat, Local Optional Service Option B, measured or message rate business individual lines, BellSouth Business Plus service lines, business PBX trunks, ESSX service Network Access Register (NARs), MultiServ PLUS service NARs, and BellSouth Centrex service NARs.

##### A3.19.2 Rates

###### A. Business

A monthly rate for a grouping service applies for each line in addition to the regular business individual line, BellSouth Business Plus service lines, business PBX trunk, MultiServ PLUS service NAR, BellSouth Centrex service NAR, or ESSX service NAR rate.

	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>	
(1) Grouping Service - Flat, Measured or Message Rate			
(a) UNE Zones 1-3	<b>\$62.50</b>	<b>HTG</b>	(1)
(b) Local Optional Service Option B	<b>15.50</b>	<b>HTG1B</b>	
(c) Measured Rate Service UNE Zones 1 - 3	<b>62.50</b>	<b>HTGME</b>	(1)
<b>B. Residence<sup>1</sup></b>			
1. A monthly rate for grouping service only applies when a subscriber has at least four, but no more than ten lines in a grouping arrangement at a private residence location where a business listing is not employed in the Company's directory. If more than ten lines are required in a grouping arrangement, business grouping service rates must apply for all lines in the grouping arrangement. See Section A2. for additional terms and conditions.			
2. In accordance with the Louisiana Public Service Commission Order No. U-22215-A dated July 6, 1998, existing subscribers as of May 20, 1998 with more than three (3) residence service lines in rotary or grouping arrangements at their private residence shall be grandfathered for a period of five (5) years. After May 20, 2003, these subscribers shall convert their existing grouping arrangements to comply with the new provisions specified in Section A3. However, additional lines ordered for grouping arrangements by these subscribers or requests for moves of their existing arrangements after May 20, 1998 shall be subject to the provisions specified in A3.19.2.B.1.			
3. Grouping Service - Flat or Measured, per line			
(a) All UNE zones with 4 - 10 Lines	<b>\$5.00</b>	<b>HTGR1</b>	
<b>C.</b> Charges in Section A4. are also applicable to this service.			
<b>D.</b> Grouping Service rates and charges are not applicable to station lines for PBX, WATS, MultiServ PLUS service, BellSouth Centrex service, ESSX service or Digital ESSX service.			

**Note 1:** This provision became effective on May 20, 1998.

**A103. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE**

**A103.38 Back-Up Line**

(Obsolated 11-1-11, Type B – Not available for new installations, additions or on transfers of service to new location.)

**A103.38.1 Terms, Conditions and Rates**

- A. Back-Up Line is an optional service which provides business subscribers with an additional line which is available for inward and outward calling.
- B. This service is only available to business subscribers, where facilities permit. Back-Up Line service cannot be used as the primary business line, and must be located on the same premises as the business service with which it is associated.
- C. Each Back-Up Line can receive calls forwarded from one busy primary line or hunt group at no charge. This overflow capability will be provided on the forwarding line.

If a customer subscribes to more than one Back-Up Line, these Back-Up Lines may be provisioned in an overflow group at no charge. Overflow capability may not be provided from a Back-Up Line or group of Back-Up Lines to other lines on the same premises.

- D. Overflow capability from additional primary lines or hunt groups to Back-Up Line service will be provided on the forwarding line.

	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>
1. Overflow to Back-Up Line from each additional flat, measured, or message rate primary line or hunt group will be provided at the rate specified for Grouping Service.		
(a) See A3.19	-	<b>BULRX</b>
2. Overflow to Back-Up Line from each additional Local Optional Service Option B primary line or hunt group will be provided at the rate specified for Grouping Service.		
(a) See A3.19	-	<b>BULSX</b>
E. A directory listing is not furnished with Back-Up Lines. However, a directory listing may be purchased, if desired, at the rates specified in Section A6.		
F. Usage charges are applied for all incoming and outgoing calls associated with Back-Up Line service, as described in H. and I., with the following exceptions. No usage charges apply to calls completed to the Company Business Office, Repair Service, or Emergency 911 Service. Charges for calls to Directory Assistance will be billed at the rates shown in A3.13 or A18 as appropriate, in lieu of the charges shown following. Usage Based Pricing primary lines will be billed their appropriate usage charges for all calls which overflow to a Back-Up Line. These usage charges are in addition to the Back-Up Line incoming usage charge described in H.		
G. The access line rate per Back-Up Line is as follows.		

	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>	
1. Back-Up Line associated with Local Optional Service or Local Optional Service Option B business service, by UNE Zone <sup>1</sup>			
(a) Zone 1	<i>\$133.00</i>	<b>SBL LX</b>	(1)
(b) Zone 2	<i>133.00</i>	<b>SBL LX</b>	(1)
(c) Zone 3	<i>133.00</i>	<b>SBL LX</b>	(1)
2. Back-Up Line associated with BellSouth Business Plus service			
(a) Per Back-Up Line with BellSouth Business Plus service - Option 1 primary line	<i>133.00</i>	<b>SBL L1</b>	(1)
(b) Per Back-Up Line with BellSouth Business Plus service - Option 2 primary line	<i>133.00</i>	<b>SBL L2</b>	(1)
3. Back-Up Line associated with all other business service, by UNE Zone <sup>1</sup>			
(a) Zone 1	<i>133.00</i>	<b>SBL FX</b>	(1)
(b) Zone 2	<i>133.00</i>	<b>SBL FX</b>	(1)
(c) Zone 3	<i>133.00</i>	<b>SBL FX</b>	(1)

**Note 1:** See A3.6.4 for a list of exchanges by UNE Zone.

**A103. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS – BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE**

**A103.43 BellSouth Business Plus Service (Cont'd)**

**A103.43.2 Exchange Access Line Rates**

**A.** Individual Line Service

1. BellSouth Business Plus service - Option 1

	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>Rate per Minute of Use</b>	<b>USOC</b>	
(a) Each line	<i>\$152.00</i>	-	<b>BL1</b>	(1)
(b) Each Minute of use above 120 hours (7,200 minutes)	-	<b>\$.05</b>	-	

2. BellSouth Business Plus service - Option 2

(a) Each line	<i>104.00</i>	-	<b>BL2</b>	(1)
(b) Each Minute of use outside the Basic Local Calling Area	-	<b>.09</b>	-	

**A103.43.3 Service Charges**

- A.** The service order charges specified in Section A4 are applicable for the installations of new lines at the subscriber's premises. These charges are not applicable for existing customers who wish to convert an existing line to a BellSouth Business Plus service Plan.
- B.** Service charges do not apply for transactions which only involve additions, deletions or changes to the service or features requested as part of BellSouth Business Plus service with BellSouth Business Choice Package service or BellSouth Complete Choice for Business package.