
B5. APPLICATION OF CONSTRUCTION (TERMINATION AND ADDITIONAL CHARGES)

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B5.1 General

- A.** All rates and charges set forth in this Guidebook provide for the furnishing of service where suitable facilities are available. Where special construction of channel facilities is necessary, special construction charges may apply as set forth in the General *Exchange Guidebook*. (T)
- B.** For special equipment and arrangements furnished in connection with private line service, charges equivalent to the estimated cost of furnishing such equipment or arrangements apply as indicated in H. following
- C.** The maximum termination charge is equal to the cost installed, less net salvage, of the specially constructed facilities provided. Cost installed includes cost of equipment and materials specifically provided or used, plus the cost of installing, including engineering, labor, supervision, transportation, rights of way and any other items which are chargeable to the capital accounts.
1. In the event a customer enters into a termination charge agreement and:
- a. All services involved in the construction are disconnected within the contract period a termination charge applies to the extent there is no other requirement for the constructed facilities in place. The amount of the termination charge is pro rata amount for the unexpired portion of the contract period of the costs of the non-reusable facilities.
- b. One or more, but not all, of the services involved in the construction are discontinued within the contract period, the lower of the following charges applies during the unexpired portion of the contract period for each such discontinued service:
- (1) The monthly charge for each local channel, interexchange channel and intraexchange channel section of each basic service which has been provided in whole or in part by construction, or
- (2) The monthly charge for the constructed portion of such local channel, interexchange channel or intraexchange channel section. In determining the charge for such constructed portion, rates and mileage measurements are applied between the points of termination of such portion of each basic service.
- D.** If a municipality, parish or other political subdivision of the state of Louisiana imposes upon the Company any charge for performing work in the public right-of-way or use of its streets, alleys or other public areas, or by reason of the operation of the Company's business or by reason of any agreement between it and the Company as specified in A2.4.5. of the General *Exchange Guidebook*, the amount of such charge may be passed on to those subscribers being served by the placement of such new facilities. (T)
- Where a customer is so located that it is necessary to use private right-of-way to furnish a service and the Company is unable to obtain the required rights-of-way or other easements without cost, the customer may be required to pay the entire costs involved in securing such rights-of-way or easements.
- E.** When attachments are made to poles of other companies, the customer may be required to pay the additional cost to the Company of such attachments.
- F.** Except as specified in B5.3. following and the conduit or pipe provided by the customer as in B5.2.C. following, title to all construction provided wholly or partly at a customer's expense is vested in the Company and the customer may be required to execute a conveyance thereof in favor of the Company.
- G.** Construction charges are payable at the time application for service is signed or when the account is rendered, at the option of the Company.
- H.** Special Equipment And Arrangements
- Special equipment and arrangements requested by customers are furnished wherever possible, if not detrimental to the service. For special equipment and arrangements furnished in connection with private line service, charges equivalent to the estimated cost of furnishing such equipment or arrangements apply. Estimated cost consists of an estimate of the following items to the extent that they are applicable:
1. Cost of maintenance.
2. Cost of operation.

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H. Special Equipment And Arrangements (Cont'd)

3. Depreciation on the estimated cost installed of any facilities provided, based on the anticipated useful service life of the facilities with an appropriate allowance for the estimated net salvage.
4. Administration, taxes and uncollectible revenue on the basis of reasonable average charges for these items.
5. Any other specific items of expense associated with the particular situation.
6. A reasonable amount, computed on the estimated cost installed of any facilities provided, for return and contingencies. Estimated cost installed as mentioned in B5.1.H.3. and 6. preceding includes the cost of equipment and material specifically provided or used plus the estimated cost of installing, including engineering, labor, supervision, transportation, rights-of-way and any other items which are chargeable to the capital accounts.

I. 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. The customer, however, may provide conduit or pipe subject to approval by the Company, in which case no additional charge will be made for the initial installation of wire or cable therein.
 1. Ownership of such conduit is vested in the customer and necessary replacements shall be made by him.
 2. The duct or ducts required in the underground conduit by the Company to furnish service shall be reserved for its exclusive use.
- 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
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 Poles On Private Property

- A. 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.
- B. 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.
- C. Circuits on poles on private property are furnished, owned and maintained by the Company.

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B5.7 Contract Service Arrangements

B5.7.1 General

- A. When economically practicable, customer specific contract service arrangements may be furnished in lieu of existing Guidebook offerings provided there is reasonable potential for uneconomic bypass of the Company's services. Uneconomic bypass occurs when an alternative service arrangement is utilized, in lieu of Company services, at prices below the Company's rates but above the Company's incremental costs.
- B. Rates, charges, terms and additional *terms and conditions*, if applicable, for the contract service arrangements will be developed on an individual case basis, and will include all relevant costs, plus an appropriate level of contribution. (T)
- C. Unless otherwise specified, the *terms and conditions* for contract service arrangements are in addition to the applicable *terms, conditions* and rates specified in other sections of this Guidebook. (T)
- D. Contract Service Arrangements (CSAs) are available for resale at a discount of 9.05 percent.