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E2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

E2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

E2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions (Cont'd)

- C. When A Credit Allowance Does Not Apply (Cont'd)
 - 5. Interruptions of a service which continue because of the failure of the customer to authorize replacement of any element of special construction, as set forth in Section E14 following for Special Construction. The period for which no credit allowance is made begins on the seventh day after the customer receives the Company's written notification of the need for such replacement and ends on the day after receipt by the Company of the customer's written authorization for such replacement.
 - 6. Periods when the customer elects not to release the service for testing and/or repair and continues to use it on an impaired basis.
 - 7. An interruption or a group of interruptions, resulting from a common cause, for amounts less than one dollar.
- **D.** Use of an Alternative Service Provided by the Company

Should the customer elect to use an alternative service provided by the Company during the period that a service is interrupted, the customer must pay the tariffed rates and charges for the alternative service used.

E. Temporary Surrender of a Service

In certain instances, the customer may be requested by the Company to surrender a service for purposes other than maintenance, testing or activity relating to a service order. If the customer consents, a credit allowance will be granted. The credit allowance will be 1/1440 of the monthly rate for each period of 30 minutes or fraction thereof that the service is surrendered. In no case will the credit allowance exceed the monthly rate for the service surrendered in any one monthly billing period.

E2.4.5 Cost Assessment Charge (CAC)

A. A Cost Assessment Charge is assessed on a percentage basis against all billed revenue for business Customers subscribing to the transport services listed below. The CAC is established to recover property taxes from business Customers. This charge is not a tax or fee that the government requires AT&T to collect from Customers. The CAC will not apply to Federal, State or Local Government Accounts, or to any accounts identified in the billing systems of the Company as being exempt from application of the Federal Universal Service Fund (FUSF).

Description Monthly Rate

Cost Assessment Charge (CAC)

Transport services

- BellSouth Metro Ethernet Service
- BellSouth Wavelength Service
- AT&T Switched Ethernet Service
- AT&T Dedicated Ethernet Service

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5.57%