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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.1 MegaLink Service

B7.1.1 General

- A. MegaLink service is furnished for Private Line IntraLATA communications by the Company.
- B. MegaLink service is a service for the transmission of digital signals only and using only digital transmission facilities.
- C. MegaLink service provides for the simultaneous two-way transmission of isochronous digital signals at DS1 speeds of 1.544 Mbps, where facilities are available.
- D. To ensure satisfactory operation, the terminal equipment provided by the customer must be compatible with the DS1/1.544 Mbps channel facility provided by the Company. The technical specifications and standard network interfaces for MegaLink service are contained in Technical Reference Publication #73525. This publication is available from Documentation Operations, North W5A1, 3535 Colonnade Parkway, Birmingham, Alabama 35243.
- E. Unless specified following, the terms and conditions for MegaLink service specified herein apply in addition to the terms and conditions set forth in Section B2.
- F. The rates specified for MegaLink service in B7.1.3 following contemplate the provision of a digital quality facility over existing interoffice carrier equipment and/or exchange cable facilities compatible with this service. If such equipment, new facilities or changes to existing facilities are required for the provision of this service, a special construction charge based on the cost incurred to make the changes will apply in addition to the rates for MegaLink service.

B7.1.2 Terms and Conditions

A. Description of Service

1. MegaLink service is furnished for the simultaneous two-way transmission of serial, Bipolar Return-to-Zero, isochronous digital signals, except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format, at a speed of DS1/1.544 Mbps between two-points located within a LATA.
2. Multipoint service is not available.
3. MegaLink service is available on a month-to-month basis or under variable rate periods with rates based on lengths of 12 months³, 24-48 months^{1,2}, 49-72 months¹ or 73-96 months¹, under conditions specified in B2.4. If the customer does not select a new contract option or does not request discontinuance of service, service will be continued under the terms specified in B2.4. (C)
4. Connection of DS1/1.544 Mbps communications systems provided by others may be made on a permissive basis as provided for in Section B2. The Company does not represent its MegaLink service as adapted for such connections and shall not be responsible for the through transmission of signals, or the quality of such transmission on such connections.
5. A Channel Service Unit (CSU) or appropriate Termination Equipment (TE) provided by the customer is required at a customer's or authorized user's premises to perform such functions as:
 - proper termination of the service
 - amplification
 - signal shaping
 - remote loop-back

Note 1: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 2: As of April 5, 2021, the 24-36 Month Contract Term is no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 3: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.1 MegaLink Service (Cont'd)

B7.1.2 Terms and Conditions (Cont'd)

A. Description of Service (Cont'd)

6. The design, maintenance, and operation of MegaLink service contemplates communications originating and terminating as (1) a customer premises to customer premises channel via the Company's Serving Wire Center, (SWC) - and/or through remote SWCs; (2) a customer premises to the Serving Wire Center - and/or to remote SWCs - partial channel (link); or (3) a Central Office to Central Office (interoffice) partial channel (link).
7. MegaLink service may also be furnished as links (partial channels) when connected to other services such as ESSX service¹, Digital ESSX service¹, MultiServ service¹, MultiServ PLUS service¹, BellSouth Centrex service¹, CNM - FlexServ service, LightGate service, MegaLink Plus service, another MegaLink service and/or MegaLink channel service.
8. All appropriate rates specified in other sections are in addition to the monthly rate per package or single channel for MegaLink service specified in this Guidebook.

B. Definitions

CHANNEL SERVICE UNIT

The term "Channel Service Unit" (CSU) denotes equipment provided by the Customer to terminate a digital facility on the customer's, or user's premises.

DIGITAL LOCAL CHANNEL

The term "Digital Local Channel" denotes a path for MegaLink service furnished from the demarcation point on the customer's premises to their serving wire center.

DS1

This denotes a channel service expressed in terms of its digitally encoded data bit rate in accordance with the North American hierarchy of digital signal levels. It has a 1.544 Mbps transmission data rate, and provides for the two-way simultaneous transmission of isochronous timed, Bipolar Return-to-Zero (BPRZ) bit stream format, except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format. Unframed signal formats are not permitted or compatible with Company equipment. The required format and interface specifications are contained in Technical Reference Publication #73525.

INTEROFFICE CHANNEL

The term "Interoffice Channel" denotes a path (or paths) for digital transmission between Company serving wire centers within a LATA. An interoffice channel may be furnished in such manner as the Company may elect.

C. Application of Rates

1. Digital Local Channels furnished between a serving wire center and the customer's premises will be charged at rates based on the first 1/2 mile and each additional 1/2 mile for the airline distance measured between the serving wire center and the customer's premises for orders completed prior to June 3, 1991. Orders completed on or after June 3, 1991, will be charged a flat rate.
2. Interoffice Channels furnished between Central Offices will be charged at rates based on airline distance between the Central Offices.
3. MegaLink service is available on a month-to-month basis or under variable rate periods with rates based on lengths of 12 months⁴, 24-48 months^{2,3}, 49-72 months² or 73-96 months², under conditions specified in the Channel Services Payment Plan in B2.4 except as modified following. Contract rate increases are subject to the stipulations of 4. following.

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Note 1: Connection from MegaLink service to ESSX service Digital ESSX service, MultiServ service, MultiServ PLUS service, or BellSouth Centrex service may not be available from all serving wire centers.

Note 2: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 3: As of April 5, 2021, the 24-36 Month Contract Term is no longer available for new or renewing subscribers of MegaLink Service and LightGate DS1 and DS3 channel interface options.

Note 4: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.1 MegaLink Service (Cont'd)

B7.1.2 Terms and Conditions (Cont'd)

C. Application of Rates (Cont'd)

4. MegaLink service rates under contract will not be increased by Company initiative until the contract period expires. Rates in effect at the time the service is installed and/or as of the service order application date, will be applicable until the contract expires. At the expiration date of the customer's payment period option, the customer may select a new payment period option at current rates or revert to current rates on a month-to-month basis. /1/
5. A Termination Liability Charge is applicable at the date of termination. The applicable charge is dependent on the contract period subscribed to and will be equal to fifty percent (50%) of the following: the number of months remaining in the contract period times the monthly rate provided under the contract. However, Termination Liability charges will not apply for customer requests for moves of service under CSPP subject to the provisions set forth in B2.4.9.A.11. preceding, or for customer requested changes of service under CSPP to Fast Packet Transport Services under the Fast Packet Transport Services Payment Plan or to AT&T Ethernet Services under the Ethernet Payment Plan, subject to the provisions set forth in B2.4.9.A.4.b.
6. Airline distance between Company central offices shall be developed using the methodology stated in B3.3.3. Fractional mileage shall be rounded up to the next full mile. /1/

D. Connections

1. Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems may be connected to MegaLink service when such connection is made in accordance with the provision specified in 2., 3., and 4. following.
2. Responsibility of the Company
 - a. The responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing and maintenance of MegaLink service to that point on the customer's premises where provision is made for the connection of customer-provided equipment. If the customer requires a different location in the same building, it can be provided under the Premises Network Wiring Charge found in Section B3.
 - b. The Company shall not be responsible for installation, operation, or maintenance of any terminal equipment or communications systems provided by a customer. MegaLink service is not represented as adapted for the use of such equipment or system. Where such equipment or system is connected to Company facilities the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of facilities suitable for MegaLink service and to the maintenance and operation in a manner proper for such digital service. The Company shall not be responsible for:
 - the through transmission of signals generated by such equipment or system, or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission or
 - the reception of signals by such equipment or systems, or
 - damage to terminal equipment or communications systems provided by a customer or authorized user due to testing.
 - c. The Company shall not be responsible to the customer if changes in any of the facilities, operations or procedures of the Company utilized in the provision of MegaLink service render any facilities or equipment provided by a customer obsolete, or require modification or alteration of such equipment or system or otherwise affects its use or performance.
 - d. The Company undertakes to maintain and repair the facilities, which it furnishes. The customer may not rearrange, disconnect, remove or attempt to repair any equipment installed by the Company without prior written consent of the Company.

B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.1 MegaLink Service (Cont'd)

B7.1.3 Rates and Charges

A. A Digital Local Channel is furnished between a Serving Wire Center and the customer's premises.

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	12 ⁶ Months	24-48 ^{4,5} Months	49-72 ⁴ Months	73-96 ⁴ Months	USOC	(C)
1. (Obsoleted, See Section B107)								
2. (Obsoleted, See Section B107)								
3. Digital Local Channel								
(a) Each ¹	\$300.00	\$11,904.00	\$206.00	\$114.00	\$112.00	\$110.00	DIGLC	

B. Interoffice Channels are furnished between Central Offices. Rates are based on the airline distance between Central Offices.

1. Interoffice Channel, each channel 0-8 miles ^{1,2,3}								
(a) Fixed monthly rate	125.00	6,025.00	145.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	1LNO1	
(b) Each airline mile, or fraction thereof	-	1,563.00	41.00	23.00	21.00	19.00	1LNOA	
2. Interoffice Channel, each channel 9-25 miles ^{1,2,3}								
(a) Fixed monthly rate	125.00	6,025.00	163.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	1LNO2	
(b) Each airline mile, or fraction thereof	-	1,563.00	37.00	21.00	19.00	27.00	1LNOB	
3. Interoffice Channel, each channel over 25 miles ^{1,2,3}								
(a) Fixed monthly rate	125.00	6,025.00	199.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	1LNO3	
(b) Each airline mile, or fraction thereof	-	1,563.00	33.00	19.00	17.00	15.00	1LNO3	

C. Clear Channel Capability is furnished on a per MegaLink service channel basis.

	Nonrecurring Charge	Monthly Rate	USOC
	Initial	Subsequent	
1. Per MegaLink service channel optioned as:			
(a) Superframe Format (SF)	\$ -	\$600.00	\$ - CCOSF
(b) Extended Superframe Format (ESF)	-	600.00	- CCOEF

Note 1: Contract lengths are flexible to allow customer choice of payment period per B2.4.9.

Note 2: Refer to B3.3.3 for mileage measurement methodology.

Note 3: MegaLink Plus service, specified in B7.9, references rates and charges for this rate element.

Note 4: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 5: As of April 5, 2021, the 24-36 Month Contract Term is no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 6: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.3 MegaLink Channel Service (Cont'd)

B7.3.1 General (Cont'd)

- J. Emerging technology, such as low bit rate voice multiplexing techniques, may permit additional quantities of individual channels to be channelized on a single DS1 signal. Equipment providing this capability does not generally assure compatibility between different manufacturers. Some equipment may not be suitable for data transmission or tandem network line application. Rates, charges, and availability of this equipment will be negotiated with the customer on an individual case basis.

B7.3.2 Application Of Rates

- A. Monthly rates as specified in B7.3.4 following apply for each MegaLink channel service according to the system capacity of voice grade equivalent channels in each package. These rates apply regardless of the number of circuit equivalents within each package that are actually activated by the customer at a point in time. In addition, rates and charges for associated MegaLink service channels in B7.1 are applicable.
- B. Network access service is provided for channels within each MegaLink channel service package on a Volume Usage Measured Rate at the monthly recurring rates and charges specified in B7.3.4 following and apply for each channel within a package that is activated for Network Access. In addition, all applicable terms, conditions, rates, and charges specified in A3.26 of the General Exchange Guidebook will apply.
- C. Rates and charges specified in other sections for services such as Touch-Tone, Custom Calling Service, Grouping Service, etc., are in addition to the monthly rate for MegaLink channel services. Also, the rates and charges for other services that may be interconnected or extended beyond the basic MegaLink channel service, such as off-premises stations, tie lines, Foreign Exchange Services, private lines, etc., are in addition to the rates specified in this Guidebook for those portions of channel services necessary to provide end-to-end service. Rates and charges for single MegaLink service channels used to connect MegaLink channel services when used as part of the same communications system will be as specified in B7.1.
- D. All usual and applicable Installation Charges and/or Nonrecurring Charges as specified in other guidebooks apply to the activation, move or change of channel equivalents within MegaLink channel service packages as well as for installation of the basic system. Suspension of service is not permitted with MegaLink channel service.
- E. MegaLink channel service systems and Feature Activations are available on a month-to-month basis or under variable rate periods with rates based on lengths of 36 months², 60 months¹, or 84 months¹, under conditions specified in B2.4, except as modified following. Contract rate increases are subject to the stipulations of F. following. All elements of a contract will expire at the same time (be coterminous).
 - 1. Individual network access service and private line channel services that are connected to MegaLink channel service are not offered under MegaLink channel service contract provisions. They are subject to their standard provisions as appropriate.
- F. MegaLink channel service rates under contract will not be increased by Company initiative until the contract period expires. Those monthly rates for Basic System Capacity and Feature Activation in effect at the time the service is installed and/or as of the service order application date, will be applicable until the contract expires. At the expiration date of the customer's payment period option, the customer may select a new payment period option at current rates or revert to current rates on a month-to-month basis.

Note 1: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 2: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.3 MegaLink Channel Service (Cont'd)

B7.3.4 Rates And Charges

A. Basic System Capacity

The rates for a basic system without activated features for voice or data grade service are as follows:

1. Central Office¹

	Nonrecurring	Month	24 to	49 to	73 to		(C)
	Charge	To	48 ^{2,3}	72 ^{2,3}	96 ^{2,3}	USOC	
		Month	Months	Months	Months		
(a) 24 Voice Equivalent Channels	\$240.00	\$230.00	\$189.00	\$171.00	\$154.00	VUM24	
(b) 48 Voice Equivalent Channels	280.00	450.00	369.00	333.00	300.00	VUM48	
(c) 96 Voice Equivalent Channels	370.00	880.00	720.00	648.00	584.00	VUM96	
(d) 144 Voice Equivalent Channels	455.00	1,140.00	935.00	842.00	758.00	VUM144	
(e) 192 Voice Equivalent Channels	545.00	1,390.00	1,140.00	1,026.00	924.00	VUM192	
(f) 240 Voice Equivalent Channels	630.00	1,630.00	1,334.00	1,197.00	1,078.00	VUM240	
(g) 288 Voice Equivalent Channels	715.00	1,860.00	1,522.00	1,370.00	1,233.00	VUM288	
(h) 384 Voice Equivalent Channels	890.00	2,265.00	1,855.00	1,670.00	1,503.00	VUM384	
(i) 480 Voice Equivalent Channels	1,065.00	2,650.00	2,171.00	1,954.00	1,759.00	VUM480	
(j) 576 Voice Equivalent Channels	1,240.00	3,025.00	2,477.00	2,230.00	2,007.00	VUM576	
(k) 672 Voice Equivalent Channels	1,415.00	3,365.00	2,754.00	2,479.00	2,232.00	VUM672	

Note 1: Contract lengths are flexible to allow customer choice of payment period per B2.4.9.

Note 2: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 3: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer. (N)

B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.3 MegaLink Channel Service (Cont'd)

B7.3.4 Rates And Charges (Cont'd)

B. Feature Activation

1. Central Office

a. Analog Voice Service

- (1) For Exchange Line, Foreign Exchange, Off Premises Station, Trunk, ESSX service, Digital ESSX service, MultiServ service, MultiServ PLUS service, BellSouth Centrex service station line, WATS Line, or Voice Private Line use

	Nonrecurring Charge		Month to Month	24 to 96 ^{4,5} Months Contract	USOC 1PQW+	(C)
	First	Each Additional				
(a) Per feature activated ^{1,2,3}	\$7.00	\$6.00	\$6.50	\$5.00	1PQW+	
(2) For Tie Line use						
(a) Per feature activated ^{1,2,3}	7.00	6.00	12.00	8.00	1PQW+	
b. Analog Data Service						
(1) For data transmission use						
(a) Per feature activated ^{1,2,3}	7.00	6.00	12.00	8.00	1PQW+	
c. Digital Data Service						
(1) For 2.4 Kbps, 4.8 Kbps, 9.6 Kbps, 19.2 Kbps, 56 Kbps and 64 Kbps data rates						
(a) Per feature activated ^{1,2,3}	7.00	6.00	13.00	11.00	1PQW+	
d. Broadband Exchange Line Service						
(1) For 56 Kbps and 64 Kbps data rates						
(a) Per feature activated ^{1,2,3}	10.00	7.50	12.00	8.00	1PQW+	

Note 1: The first nonrecurring charge is applicable to the first channel activated of a particular type. It is also applicable to a first channel of that type which is installed at a later time.

Note 2: Each additional nonrecurring charge is applicable to each additional channel activated of the same type, and at the same time.

Note 3: Represents 1 (one) voice equivalent channel per feature activated.

Note 4: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 5: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.4 LightGate Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.2 Application Of Rates (Cont'd)

- H.** LightGate service Systems are available under contract only for variable rate periods with rates based on lengths of 12 months³, 24 to 48 months^{1,2}, 49 to 72 months¹, or 73 to 96 months¹ under conditions specified in B2.4., except as modified following. Contract rate increases are subject to the stipulations of K. following. All elements of a contract will expire at the same time (be coterminous). (C)
1. LightGate service Systems are available only under contract as specified preceding. Month to month rates are only available at the end of a contract rate period. Central office and customer channel interfaces are available on a month to month basis or under contract.
 2. All rate elements associated with a LightGate service local channel or interoffice channel must be provided under the same payment plan; provided however, that channel interfaces may be activated on month-to-month rates or a shorter payment period if desired.
 3. Channelized DS1/1.544 Mbps channels and Sub-DS1 Feature Activations are available under terms contained in the MegaLink channel service Guidebook.
- I.** LightGate service rates under contract will not be increased by Company initiative until the contract period expires. Those monthly rates for LightGate service in effect at the time the service is installed and/or as of the service order application date will be applicable until the contract expires. At the expiration date of the customer's payment period option, the customer may select a new payment period option at current contract rates or revert to current rates on a month-to-month basis. If the customer does not select a new payment period or does not request discontinuance of service, service will be continued under the terms specified in B2.4.
- J.** A Termination Liability Charge is applicable at the date of termination. The applicable charge is dependent on the contract period subscribed to and will be equal to the number of months remaining in the contract period times fifty percent (50%) of the monthly rates for the LightGate service rates which are provided under contract and are subject to the exemptions of 1. and 2. following.
1. No Termination Liability Charge will be applicable for the LightGate service System when the customer renegotiates a new contract for the same system at the same location(s) for a period of time greater than the time remaining on the existing contract, subject to contract periods contained in J. preceding.
 2. Termination Liability charges do not apply to channel interfaces under the Channel Services Payment Plan.
- K.** Transfer of service responsibility between customers is permitted subject to payment of a Transfer Charge as determined on an individual case basis.
- Note 1:** As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.
- Note 2:** As of April 5, 2021, the 24-36 Month Contract Term for LightGate DS1 and DS3 channel interface options are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.
- Note 3:** Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer. (N)
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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.4 LightGate Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.5 Rates and Charges

A. LightGate service Local Channel Systems

The Basic System includes photonic common equipment and first one-half air mile of local channel fiber optic facilities.

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	12 ⁴ Months	24 to 48 ^{2,3} Months	49 to 72 ² Months	73 to 96 ² Months	USOC	(C)
1. LightGate 1 Basic System ¹								
(a) Per System	\$300.00	\$103,511.00	\$2,897.00	\$1,590.00	\$1,440.00	\$1,290.00	HFSC7	
2. LightGate STS-1 Basic System ¹								
(a) Per System	700.00	3,771.00	2,897.00	1,590.00	1,440.00	1,290.00	HFST1	
3. LightGate OC-3 Basic System ¹								
(a) Per System	700.00	6,743.00	NA	3,100.00	2,800.00	2,500.00	HFSO3	
(b) Per System with Optical Customer Termination	700.00	4,432.00	NA	1,968.00	1,776.00	1,584.00	HFSOC	
(c) Per System with Optical Serving Wire Center Termination	700.00	4,432.00	NA	1,968.00	1,776.00	1,584.00	HFSOW	
4. LightGate OC-12 Basic System ¹								
(a) Per System	700.00	10,023.00	NA	5,100.00	4,600.00	4,150.00	HFS12	
(b) Per System with Optical Customer Termination	700.00	6,998.00	NA	3,504.00	3,200.00	2,880.00	HFS1C	
(c) Per System with Optical Serving Wire Center Termination	700.00	6,998.00	NA	3,504.00	3,200.00	2,880.00	HFS1W	
5. LightGate OC-48 Basic System ¹								
(a) Per System	700.00	23,692.00	NA	11,000.00	10,000.00	9,000.00	HFS48	
(b) Per System with Optical Customer Termination	700.00	14,580.00	NA	7,040.00	6,400.00	5,760.00	HFS4C	
(c) Per System with Optical Serving Wire Center Termination	700.00	14,580.00	NA	7,040.00	6,400.00	5,760.00	HFS4W	
6. LightGate OC-192 Basic System ¹								
(a) Per System	700.00	47,385.00	NA	20,000.00	18,000.00	16,000.00	HFST2	

Note 1: Month to month rates are only available at the end of a contract rate period.

Note 2: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 3: As of April 5, 2021, the 24-36 Month Contract Term for LightGate DS1 and DS3 channel interface options are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 4: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.4 LightGate Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

A. LightGate service Local Channel Systems (Cont'd)

The Basic System includes photonic common equipment and first one-half air mile of local channel fiber optic facilities.

7. Central Office Channel Interfaces

		Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	12 ⁵ Months	24 to 48 ^{3,4} Months	49 to 72 ³ Months	73 to 96 ³ Months	USOC	(C)
(a)	Per DS1	\$125.00	\$ 43.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 17.00	\$ 16.00	1PQE8	
(b)	Per DS3	125.00	5,181.00	172.00	95.00	90.00	85.00	1PQE3	
(c)	Per DS3 (Asymmetrical with DS1/Flex DS1)	290.00	911.00	NA	390.00	365.00	350.00	1PQEG	
(d)	Per STS-1	125.00	318.00	NA	140.00	130.00	120.00	1PQE4	
(e)	Per OC-3 (2 Fiber)	200.00	437.00	NA	190.00	175.00	160.00	1PQE5	
(f)	Per OC-3 (4 Fiber)	200.00	773.00	NA	330.00	300.00	270.00	1PQE6	
(g)	Per OC-12 (2 Fiber)	360.00	1,166.00	NA	495.00	450.00	405.00	1PQEE	
(h)	Per OC-12 (4 Fiber)	400.00	2,332.00	NA	990.00	900.00	810.00	1PQED	
	Per OC-48 (2 Fiber)	500.00	2,916.00	NA	1,325.00	1,215.00	1,050.00	1PQEO	
(j)	Per OC-48 (4 Fiber)	500.00	5,832.00	NA	2,650.00	2,430.00	2,100.00	1PQEF	
(k)	Per 28 DS1 Channel System	125.00	1,093.00	NA	490.00	465.00	450.00	MQ3CO	
(l)	Per DS1 on 28 DS1 Channel System	125.00	27.00	13.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	1PQEA	
(m)	Per STS-1 Channel System	125.00	1,093.00	NA	490.00	465.00	450.00	1PQE7	
(n)	Per OC-3 Channel System	125.00	2,413.00	NA	1,100.00	1,000.00	900.00	1PQE9	
(o)	Per OC-12 Channel System	125.00	4,828.00	NA	2,200.00	2,000.00	1,800.00	1PQ12	
(p)	Per OC-48 Channel System	125.00	10,004.00	NA	4,410.00	4,050.00	3,510.00	1PQ48	
(q)	Per 1000 Mbps (21 STS-1) ¹	400.00	1,348.00	NA	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQEK	
(r)	Per 1000 Mbps (24 STS-1) ¹	400.00	1,348.00	NA	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQEW	
(s)	Per 10 Mbps ²	450.00	911.00	NA	175.00	155.00	140.00	1PQEH	
(t)	Per 100 Mbps (3 STS-1) ²	450.00	984.00	NA	210.00	190.00	170.00	1PQ EJ	
(u)	Per Fractional 1000 Mbps ²			NA					
	- 50 Mbps	450.00	947.00	NA	190.00	170.00	150.00	1PQEM	
	- 150 Mbps	450.00	1,020.00	NA	230.00	210.00	190.00	1PQEN	
	- 300 Mbps	450.00	1,093.00	NA	300.00	280.00	260.00	1PQER	
	- 450 Mbps	450.00	1,166.00	NA	340.00	310.00	290.00	1PQES	
	- 600 Mbps	450.00	1,275.00	NA	380.00	340.00	320.00	1PQET	
(v)	Per Flex DS1	130.00	43.00	NA	20.00	17.00	16.00	1PQEQ	

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Note 2: Available only for systems installed on or after December 20, 2004, that do not contain an Optical Customer Termination or an Optical Serving Wire Center Termination. 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps and Fractional 1000 Mbps transport channel interfaces do not contain any monitoring capability above the physical layer.

Note 3: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 4: As of April 5, 2021, the 24-36 Month Contract Term for LightGate DS1 and DS3 channel interface options are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 5: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.4 LightGate Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

A. LightGate service Local Channel Systems (Cont'd)

The Basic System includes photonic common equipment and first one-half air mile of local channel fiber optic facilities.
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7. Central Office Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

		Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	12 ² Months	24 to 48 ¹ Months	49 to 72 ¹ Months	73 to 96 ¹ Months	USOC	(C)
(v)	Per 100 Mbps (1 STS-1) Metro Ethernet Backbone	\$800.00	\$911.00	NA	\$175.00	\$155.00	\$140.00	1PQEU	
(w)	Per 100 Mbps (3 STS-1) Metro Ethernet Backbone	800.00	984.00	NA	210.00	190.00	170.00	1PQEY	
(x)	Per 1000 Mbps Metro Ethernet Backbone	850.00	1,348.00	NA	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQEZ	
(y)	Per Fractional 1000 Mbps Metro Ethernet Backbone								
	- 150 Mbps (3 STS-1)	850.00	1,020.00	NA	230.00	210.00	190.00	1PQD5	
	- 300 Mbps (6 STS-1)	850.00	1,093.00	NA	300.00	280.00	260.00	1PQD6	
	- 450 Mbps (9 STS-1)	850.00	1,166.00	NA	340.00	310.00	290.00	1PQD7	
	- 600 Mbps (12 STS-1)	850.00	1,275.00	NA	380.00	340.00	320.00	1PQD8	
(z)	Per Fibre Connection (FICON™) (21 STS-1)	500.00	1,475.00	NA	570.00	520.00	470.00	1PQGA	
(aa)	Per Fibre Connection (FICON™) (24c STS-1)	500.00	1,475.00	NA	570.00	520.00	470.00	1PQGB	
(ab)	Per Fibre Connection (FICON™) Express (48 STS-1)	520.00	2,332.00	NA	1,060.00	970.00	840.00	1PQGC	
(ac)	Per Fibre Connection (FICON™) Express (48c STS-1)	520.00	2,332.00	NA	1,060.00	970.00	840.00	1PQGD	
(ad)	Per Fibre Channel 100 (21 STS-1)	500.00	1,512.00	NA	580.00	530.00	480.00	1PQGE	
(ae)	Per Fibre Channel 100 (24c STS-1)	500.00	1,512.00	NA	580.00	530.00	480.00	1PQGF	
(af)	Per Fibre Channel 200 (48 STS-1)	520.00	2,478.00	NA	1,130.00	1,030.00	890.00	1PQGG	
(ag)	Per Fibre Channel 200 (48c STS-1)	520.00	2,478.00	NA	1,130.00	1,030.00	890.00	1PQGH	

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Note 2: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE**B7.4 LightGate Service (Cont'd)****B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)****A. LightGate service Local Channel Systems (Cont'd)**

The Basic System includes photonic common equipment and first one-half air mile of local channel fiber optic facilities.
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8. Customer Channel Interfaces (cont'd)

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	12⁴ Months	24 to 48^{2,3} Months	49 to 72² Months	73 to 96² Months	USOC	(C)
(a) Per DS1	\$170.00	\$43.00	\$36.00	\$20.00	\$17.00	\$16.00	1PQF1	
(b) Per DS3	125.00	5,181.00	172.00	95.00	90.00	85.00	1PQF3	
(c) Per DS3 (Asymmetrical with DS1/Flex DS1)	280.00	911.00	NA	390.00	365.00	350.00	1PQFG	
(d) Per STS-1	125.00	437.00	NA	195.00	185.00	175.00	1PQF4	
(e) Per OC-3 (2 Fiber)	125.00	437.00	NA	190.00	175.00	160.00	1PQF5	
(f) Per OC-3 (4 Fiber)	125.00	865.00	NA	380.00	350.00	320.00	1PQF6	
(g) Per OC-12 (2 Fiber)	275.00	1,302.00	NA	570.00	525.00	480.00	1PQF7	
(h) Per OC-12 (4 Fiber)	275.00	2,605.00	NA	1,140.00	1,050.00	960.00	1PQF8	
Per OC-48 (2 Fiber)	300.00	2,916.00	NA	1,325.00	1,215.00	1,050.00	1PQF2	
(j) Per OC-48 (4 Fiber)	300.00	5,832.00	NA	2,650.00	2,430.00	2,100.00	1PQFO	
(k) Per 10 Mbps ¹	450.00	911.00	NA	175.00	155.00	140.00	1PQFH	
(l) Per 100 Mbps (3 STS-1) – Electrical ¹	450.00	984.00	NA	210.00	190.00	170.00	1PQFJ	
(m) Per 100 Mbps (3 STS-1) – 1310 nm Single-mode ¹	450.00	984.00	NA	210.00	190.00	170.00	1PQ3J	
(n) Per Fractional 1000 Mbps ¹								
- 50 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode – 1 STS-1	450.00	947.00	NA	190.00	170.00	150.00	1PQFM	
- 50 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode – 1 STS-1	450.00	947.00	NA	190.00	170.00	150.00	1PQ3M	
- 150 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode – 3c STS-1	450.00	1,020.00	NA	230.00	210.00	190.00	1PQFN	
- 150 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode – 3c STS-1	450.00	1,020.00	NA	230.00	210.00	190.00	1PQ3N	
- 150 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode – 3 STS-1	450.00	1,020.00	NA	230.00	210.00	190.00	1PQJN	
- 150 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode – 3 STS-1	450.00	1,020.00	NA	230.00	210.00	190.00	1PQKN	
- 300 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode – 6c STS-1	450.00	1,093.00	NA	300.00	280.00	260.00	1PQFR	
- 300 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode – 6c STS-1	450.00	1,093.00	NA	300.00	280.00	260.00	1PQ3R	
- 300 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode – 6 STS-1	450.00	1,093.00	NA	300.00	280.00	260.00	1PQJR	
- 300 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode – 6 STS-1	450.00	1,093.00	NA	300.00	280.00	260.00	1PQKR	
- 450 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode - 9c STS-1	450.00	1,166.00	NA	340.00	310.00	290.00	1PQFS	
- 450 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode - 9c STS-1	450.00	1,166.00	NA	340.00	310.00	290.00	1PQ3S	
- 450 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode – 9 STS-1	450.00	1,166.00	NA	340.00	310.00	290.00	1PQJS	
- 450 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode – 9 STS-1	450.00	1,166.00	NA	340.00	310.00	290.00	1PQKS	

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Note 2: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 3: As of April 5, 2021, the 24-36 Month Contract Term for LightGate DS1 and DS3 channel interface options are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE**B7.4 LightGate Service (Cont'd)****B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)****A. LightGate service Local Channel Systems (Cont'd)**

The Basic System includes photonic common equipment and first one-half air mile of local channel fiber optic facilities.
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	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	12 ⁴ Months	24 to 48 ¹ Months	49 to 72 ¹ Months	73 to 96 ¹ Months	USOC	(C)
(n) Per Fractional 1000 Mbps ² (Cont'd)								
- 600 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode - 12c STS-1	\$450.00	\$1,275.00	NA	\$380.00	\$340.00	\$320.00	1PQFT	
- 600 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode - 12c STS-1	450.00	1,275.00	NA	380.00	340.00	320.00	1PQ3T	
- 600 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode - 12 STS-1	450.00	1,275.00	NA	380.00	340.00	320.00	1PQJT	
- 600 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode - 12 STS-1	450.00	1,275.00	NA	380.00	340.00	320.00	1PQKT	
- 1000 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode - 21 STS-1 ³	400.00	1,348.00	NA	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQFK	
- 1000 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode - 21 STS-1 ³	400.00	1,348.00	NA	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQ3K	
- 1000 Mbps 850 nm Multi-mode - 24c STS-1 ³	400.00	1,348.00	NA	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQFP	
- 1000 Mbps 1310 nm Single-mode - 24c STS-1 ³	400.00	1,348.00	NA	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQ3P	
(o) Per Flex DS1	260.00	43.00	NA	20.00	17.00	16.00	1PQFQ	
(p) Per 100 Mbps (1 STS-1) Metro Ethernet Backbone	800.00	911.00	NA	175.00	155.00	140.00	1PQFU	
(q) Per 100 Mbps (3 STS-1) Metro Ethernet Backbone	800.00	984.00	NA	210.00	190.00	170.00	1PQFY	
(r) Per 1000 Mbps Metro Ethernet Backbone	850.00	1,348.00	NA	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQFZ	
(s) Per Fractional 1000 Mbps Metro Ethernet Backbone								
- 150 Mbps (3 STS-1)	850.00	1,020.00	NA	230.00	210.00	190.00	1PQ35	
- 300 Mbps (6 STS-1)	850.00	1,093.00	NA	300.00	280.00	260.00	1PQ36	
- 450 Mbps (9 STS-1)	850.00	1,166.00	NA	340.00	310.00	290.00	1PQ37	
- 600 Mbps (12 STS-1)	850.00	1,275.00	NA	380.00	340.00	320.00	1PQ38	
(t) Per Fibre Connection (FICON TM) (21 STS-1)	500.00	1,475.00	NA	570.00	520.00	470.00	1PQFA	
(u) Per Fibre Connection (FICON TM) (24c STS-1)	500.00	1,475.00	NA	570.00	520.00	470.00	1PQFC	
(v) Per Fibre Connection (FICON TM) Express (48 STS-1)	520.00	2,332.00	NA	1,060.00	970.00	840.00	1PQFD	
(w) Per Fibre Connection (FICON TM) Express (48c STS-1)	520.00	2,332.00	NA	1,060.00	970.00	840.00	1PQFE	
(x) Per Fibre Channel 100 (21 STS-1)	500.00	1,512.00	NA	580.00	530.00	480.00	1PQFF	
(y) Per Fibre Channel 100 (24c STS-1)	500.00	1,512.00	NA	580.00	530.00	480.00	1PQFW	
(z) Per Fibre Channel 200 (48 STS-1)	520.00	2,478.00	NA	1,130.00	1,030.00	890.00	1PQ3A	
(aa) Per Fibre Channel 200 (48c STS-1)	520.00	2,478.00	NA	1,130.00	1,030.00	890.00	1PQ3B	

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Note 4: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE**B7.4 LightGate Service (Cont'd)****B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)****B. LightGate service Local Channel Mileage¹**

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	12⁴ Months	24 to 48^{2,3} Months	49 to 72² Months	73 to 96² Months	USOC	(C)
1. Mileage for all LightGate service Local Channel Systems								
(a) First one-half mile (included in system charge)							NA	
(b) Each additional one- half mile	NA	\$11,222.00	\$345.00	\$190.00	\$170.00	\$150.00	1LPEA	
C. Separate Alternate Facility Transport (SAFT)¹								
1. SAFT Level I								
(a) Per System	\$770.00						1L8EA	
(b) Per one-half air mile		318.00	NA	115.00	95.00	90.00	1L8SA	
2. SAFT Level II								
(a) Per System	770.00						1L8EP	
(b) Per one-half air mile		3,645.00	NA	800.00	640.00	520.00	1L8SP	
D. Interoffice Channels (These channels are furnished between central offices. Rates are based upon airline distance between central offices.)								
1. LightGate 1 service ¹								
(a) Per DS3								
(1) 0-8 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	71,486.00	1,776.00	975.00	775.00	625.00	1LPS8	
(b) Per Mile		6,434.00	126.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE8	
(2) 9-25 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	79,994.00	2,049.00	1,125.00	925.00	775.00	1LPS9	
(b) Per Mile		6,434.00	126.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE9	
(3) Over 25 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	93,538.00	2,413.00	1,325.00	1,125.00	925.00	1LPS6	
(b) Per Mile		6,434.00	126.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE6	
2. LightGate STS-1 service ¹								
(a) Per STS-1								
(1) 0-8 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	2,605.00	1,776.00	975.00	775.00	625.00	1LPS8	
(b) Per Mile		236.00	126.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE8	
(2) 9-25 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	2,916.00	2,049.00	1,125.00	925.00	775.00	1LPS9	
(b) Per Mile		236.00	126.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE9	
(3) Over 25 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	3,407.00	2,413.00	1,325.00	1,125.00	925.00	1LPS6	
(b) Per Mile		236.00	126.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE6	

Note 1: Month to month rates are only available at the end of a contract rate period.**Note 2:** As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.**Note 3:** As of April 5, 2021, the 24-36 Month Contract Term for LightGate DS1 and DS3 channel interface options are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.**Note 4:** Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.4 LightGate Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

D. Interoffice Channels (Cont'd) (These channels are furnished between central offices. Rates are based upon airline distance between central offices.)

3. LightGate OC-3 service¹

a. Per OC-3

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	12 ³ Months	24 to 48 ² Months	49 to 72 ² Months	73 to 96 ² Months	USOC	(C)
(1) 0-8 miles								
(a) Fixed	\$190.00	\$3,827.00	NA	\$1,475.00	\$1,225.00	\$1,025.00	1LPS8	
(b) Per Mile		409.00	NA	155.00	140.00	125.00	1LPE8	
(2) 9-25 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	4,738.00	NA	2,150.00	2,000.00	1,900.00	1LPS9	
(b) Per Mile		409.00	NA	155.00	140.00	125.00	1LPE9	
(3) Over 25 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	6,561.00	NA	3,150.00	2,900.00	2,700.00	1LPS6	
(b) Per Mile		409.00	NA	155.00	140.00	125.00	1LPE6	
4. LightGate OC-12 service ¹								
(a) Per OC-12								
(1) 0-8 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	7,290.00	NA	3,300.00	3,000.00	2,700.00	1LPS8	
(b) Per Mile		729.00	NA	320.00	290.00	260.00	1LPE8	
(2) 9-25 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	10,023.00	NA	4,800.00	4,500.00	4,200.00	1LPS9	
(b) Per Mile		729.00	NA	320.00	290.00	260.00	1LPE9	
(3) Over 25 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	13,122.00	NA	6,500.00	6,200.00	5,900.00	1LPS6	
(b) Per Mile		729.00	NA	320.00	290.00	260.00	1LPE6	
5. LightGate OC-48 service ¹								
(a) Per OC-48								
(1) 0-8 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	14,215.00	NA	6,500.00	5,800.00	5,200.00	1LPS8	
(b) Per Mile		1,093.00	NA	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE8	
(2) 9-25 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	15,855.00	NA	7,300.00	6,700.00	6,100.00	1LPS9	
(b) Per Mile		1,093.00	NA	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE9	
(3) Over 25 miles								
(a) Fixed	190.00	18,225.00	NA	8,600.00	7,900.00	7,100.00	1LPS6	
(b) Per Mile		1,093.00	NA	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE6	

Note 1: Month to month rates are only available at the end of a contract rate period.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE**B7.4 LightGate Service (Cont'd)****B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)**

- D. Interoffice Channels (Cont'd)** (These channels are furnished between central offices. Rates are based upon airline distance between central offices.)

		Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	12⁴ Months	24 to 48^{2,3} Months	49 to 72² Months	73 to 96² Months	USOC	(C)
6.	LightGate OC-192 service ¹								
	a. Per OC-192								
	(1) 0-8 miles								
	(a) Fixed	\$190.00	\$34,627.00	NA	\$15,500.00	\$13,800.00	\$12,500.00	1LPS8	
	(b) Per Mile		1,093.00	NA	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE8	
	(2) 9-25 miles								
	(a) Fixed	190.00	36,267.00	NA	15,900.00	14,200.00	12,700.00	1LPS9	
	(b) Per Mile		1,093.00	NA	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE9	
	(3) Over 25 miles								
	(a) Fixed	190.00	40,095.00	NA	17,700.00	15,800.00	14,100.00	1LPS6	
	(b) Per Mile		1,093.00	NA	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE6	
7.	Central Office Channel Interfaces								
	(a) Per DS1	125.00	43.00	\$36.00	20.00	17.00	16.00	1PQE8	
	(b) Per DS3	125.00	5,181.00	172.00	95.00	90.00	85.00	1PQE3	
	(c) Per STS-1	125.00	318.00	NA	140.00	130.00	120.00	1PQE4	
	(d) Per OC-3 (2 Fiber)	200.00	437.00	NA	190.00	175.00	160.00	1PQE5	
	(e) Per OC-3 (4 Fiber)	200.00	773.00	NA	330.00	300.00	270.00	1PQE6	
	(f) Per OC-12 (2 Fiber)	360.00	1,166.00	NA	495.00	450.00	405.00	1PQEE	
	(g) Per OC-12 (4 Fiber)	400.00	2,332.00	NA	990.00	900.00	810.00	1PQED	
	(h) Per OC-48 (2 Fiber)	500.00	2,916.00	NA	1,325.00	1,215.00	1,050.00	1PQEO	
	(i) Per OC-48 (4 Fiber)	500.00	5,832.00	NA	2,650.00	2,430.00	2,100.00	1PQEF	
	(j) Per 28 DS1 Channel System	125.00	1,093.00	NA	490.00	465.00	450.00	MQ3CO	
	(k) Per DS1 on 28 DS1 Channel System	125.00	27.00	13.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	1PQEA	
	(l) Per STS-1 Channel System	125.00	1,093.00	NA	490.00	465.00	450.00	1PQE7	
	(m) Per OC-3 Channel System	125.00	2,413.00	NA	1,100.00	1,000.00	900.00	1PQE9	
	(n) Per OC-12 Channel System	125.00	4,828.00	NA	2,200.00	2,000.00	1,800.00	1PQ12	
	(o) Per OC-48 Channel System	125.00	10,004.00	NA	4,410.00	4,050.00	3,510.00	1PQ48	

Note 1: Month to month rates are only available at the end of a contract rate period.

Note 2: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 3: As of April 5, 2021, the 24-36 Month Contract Term for LightGate DS1 and DS3 channel interface options are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 4: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.4 LightGate Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

- D.** Interoffice Channels (Cont'd) (These channels are furnished between central offices. Rates are based upon airline distance between central offices.)

7. Central Office Channel Interfaces (Cont'd)

		Nonrecurring	Month to Month	12 ⁴ Months	24 to 48 ³ Months	49 to 72 ³ Months	73 to 96 ³ Months	USOC	(C)
		Charge							
(p)	Per 10 Mbps ¹	\$450.00	\$911.00	NA	\$175.00	\$155.00	\$140.00	1PQEH	
(q)	Per 100 Mbps (3-STS-1) – Electrical ¹	450.00	984.00	NA	210.00	190.00	170.00	1PQEJ	
(r)	Per 100 Mbps (3 STS-1) - Optical	450.00	984.00	NA	210.00	190.00	170.00	1PQDJ	
(s)	Per Fractional 1000 Mbps ¹								
	- 50 Mbps – 1 STS-1	450.00	947.00	NA	190.00	170.00	150.00	1PQEM	
	- 150 Mbps – 3c STS-1	450.00	1,020.00	NA	230.00	210.00	190.00	1PQEN	
	- 150 Mbps – 3 STS-1	450.00	1,020.00	NA	230.00	210.00	190.00	1PQDN	
	- 300 Mbps – 6c STS-1	450.00	1,093.00	NA	300.00	280.00	260.00	1PQER	
	- 300 Mbps – 6 STS-1	450.00	1,093.00	NA	300.00	280.00	260.00	1PQDR	
	- 450 Mbps – 9c STS-1	450.00	1,166.00	NA	340.00	310.00	290.00	1PQES	
	- 450 Mbps – 9 STS-1	450.00	1,166.00	NA	340.00	310.00	290.00	1PQDS	
	- 600 Mbps – 12c STS-1	450.00	1,275.00	NA	380.00	340.00	320.00	1PQET	
	- 600 Mbps – 12 STS-1	450.00	1,275.00	NA	380.00	340.00	320.00	1PQDT	
	- 1000 Mbps – 21 STS-1 ²	400.00	1,348.00	NA	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQEK	
	- 1000 Mbps – 24c STS-1 ²	400.00	1,348.00	NA	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQEW	
(t)	Per Fibre Connection (FICON™) (21 STS-1)	500.00	1,475.00	NA	570.00	520.00	470.00	1PQGA	
(u)	Per Fibre Connection (FICON™) (24c STS-1)	500.00	1,475.00	NA	570.00	520.00	470.00	1PQGB	
(v)	Per Fibre Connection (FICON™) Express (48 STS-1)	520.00	2,332.00	NA	1,060.00	970.00	840.00	1PQGC	
(w)	Per Fibre Connection (FICON™) Express (48c STS-1)	520.00	2,332.00	NA	1,060.00	970.00	840.00	1PQGD	
(x)	Per Fibre Channel 100 (21 STS-1)	500.00	1,512.00	NA	580.00	530.00	480.00	1PQGE	
(y)	Per Fibre Channel 100 (24c STS-1)	500.00	1,512.00	NA	580.00	530.00	480.00	1PQGF	
(z)	Per Fibre Channel 200 (48 STS-1)	520.00	2,478.00	NA	1,130.00	1,030.00	890.00	1PQGG	
(aa)	Per Fibre Channel 200 (48c STS-1)	520.00	2,478.00	NA	1,130.00	1,030.00	890.00	1PQGH	

Note 1: Available only for systems installed on or after December 20, 2004, that do not contain a Optical Customer Termination or a Optical Serving Wire Center Termination. 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps and Fractional 1000 Mbps transport channel interfaces do not contain any monitoring capability above the physical layer.

Note 2: Available only for systems installed on or after November 28, 2003 that do not contain a Optical Customer Termination or a Optical Serving Wire Center Termination. 1000 Mbps transport channel interfaces do not contain any monitoring capability above the physical layer.

Note 3: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 4: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.9 MegaLink Plus Service (Cont'd)

B7.9.2 Terms and Conditions (Cont'd)

B. Definitions

MEGALINK PLUS SERVICE LOCAL CHANNEL

The MegaLink Plus service Local Channel provides for the connection between a customer's designated premises to their serving wire center.

C. Application of Rates

1. Monthly rates and charges as specified in B7.9.3.A. following apply for each MegaLink Plus service local channel.
2. Recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges apply for each MegaLink Plus service. Nonrecurring charges will not apply for the MegaLink Plus service Local Channel rate element when MegaLink Plus service is furnished under a payment plan other than month-to-month. Available payment plans are described in 3. following.
3. MegaLink Plus service is available under several payment plans²: Month-to-month (with a one month minimum), Plan A (24-48 Months)¹, Plan B (49-72 Months)¹, and Plan C (73-96 Months)¹ under conditions specified in the Channel Services Payment Plan (CSPP) in B2.4 preceding. (C)
4. Month-to-month payment plan rates are subject to Company initiated changes. MegaLink Plus service rates provided under a CSPP arrangement are exempt from Company initiated rate increases for the duration of the payment plan length selected; however, decreases on recurring rates will flow through to the customer.
5. A Termination Liability Charge (TLC) is applicable at the date of termination. The applicable charge is dependent on the customer-specified payment period subscribed to and will be equal to fifty percent (50%) times the number of months remaining in the payment period times the monthly rate applicable. However, a TLC will not apply subject to the provisions set forth in B2.4.9.A. or customer requested changes to services not covered by the CSPP that are offered by the Company under an optional payment plan.
6. A service performance credit as specified in E.3 following will apply.

D. Connections

1. Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems may be connected to MegaLink Plus service when such connection is made in accordance with the provisions specified in 2. and 3. following.
2. Responsibility of the Company
 - a. The responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing and maintenance of MegaLink Plus service to a network interface on the customer's premises.
 - b. The Company shall not be responsible for installation, operation, or maintenance of any terminal equipment or communications system provided by a customer. MegaLink Plus service is not represented as adapted for the use of such equipment or system. Where such equipment or system is connected to Company facilities, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to furnishing of facilities suitable for MegaLink Plus service and to the maintenance and operation in a manner proper for such digital service. The Company shall not be responsible for:
 - the through transmission of signals generated by such equipment or system, or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission, or
 - the reception of signals by such equipment or systems, or
 - damage to terminal equipment or communication system provided by a customer or authorized user due to testing.
 - c. The Company shall not be responsible to the customer if changes in any of the facilities, operations, or procedures of the Company utilized in the provision of MegaLink Plus service render any facilities or equipment provided by the customer obsolete or require modification or alteration of such equipment or system or otherwise affects its use or performance.
 - d. The Company undertakes to maintain and repair facilities which it furnishes. The customer may not rearrange, disconnect, remove, or attempt to repair any equipment installed by the Company without prior written consent of the Company.

Note 1: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 2: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.9 MegaLink Plus Service (Cont'd)

B7.9.3 Rates and Charges

- A. A MegaLink Plus service Local Channel is furnished between a customer's premises and the Serving Wire Center.

		Nonrecurring Charge		Month to	24-48 ^{3,4}	49-72 ^{3,4}	73-96 ^{3,4}	USOC	(C)
		First	Add'l	Month	Months	Months	Months		
1.	MegaLink Plus service Local Channel, each ¹								
(a)	1.544 Mbps	\$680.00	\$560.00	\$136.00	\$124.00	\$112.00	\$107.00	P2JP1	

- B. MegaLink service Interoffice Channels are furnished between Central Offices to connect MegaLink Plus service Local Channels between two customer premises.

1.	Interoffice Channel, each channel 0-8 miles ²								
(a)	Fixed Monthly Rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNG1	
(b)	Each Airline Mile, or fraction thereof	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNGA	
2.	Interoffice Channel, each channel 9-25 miles ²								
(a)	Fixed Monthly Rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNG2	
(b)	Each Airline Mile, or fraction thereof	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNGB	
3.	Interoffice Channel, each channel over 25 miles ²								
(a)	Fixed Monthly Rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNG3	
(b)	Each Airline Mile, or fraction thereof	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNGC	

Note 1: Nonrecurring charges do not apply to MegaLink Plus service Local Channels provided under a contract plan.

Note 2: Refer to B7.1.3.B. for applicable nonrecurring charges and recurring rates.

Note 3: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 4: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.10 MegaLink Light Service (Cont'd)

B7.10.2 Terms and Conditions (Cont'd)

B. Definitions

MegaLink Light Service Local Channel

The MegaLink Light service Local Channel denotes a path for MegaLink Light service furnished between the customer's premises and its normal serving wire center.

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This denotes a channel service in terms of its digitally encoded data bit rate in accordance with the North American hierarchy of digital signal levels. It has a 1.544 Mbps data transmission rate and provides for the two-way simultaneous transmission of isochronous timed, Bipolar Return-to-Zero (BPRZ) bit stream format except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format. Unframed signal formats are not permitted or compatible with Company equipment. The required interface specifications are contained in Technical Reference Publication #73525.

C. Application of Rates

1. MegaLink Light service Local Channels will be charged for at rates based on the first half mile and each additional half mile for the airline distance measured between the customer's premises and its normal Serving Wire Center.
2. Recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges apply for each MegaLink Light service. Available payment plans are described in 3. following.
3. MegaLink Light service is available under several payment plans²: Month-to-Month, Plan A (24-48 Months)¹, Plan B (49-72 Months)¹, and Plan C (73-96 Months)¹ under conditions specified in the Channel Services Payment Plan (CSPP) in B2.4 preceding. (C)
4. Month-to-Month payment plan rates are subject to Company initiated changes. MegaLink Light service rates provided under a CSPP arrangement, as specified in B2.4.9.A preceding, are exempt from Company initiated rate increases for the duration of the payment plan length selected; however, decreases on recurring rates will flow through to the customer. At the expiration date of the customer's payment period option, the customer may select a new payment period option at current rates or revert to current Month-to-Month rates. Renewal options for MegaLink Light service will be as specified in B2.4.9.A preceding.
5. A Termination Liability Charge (TLC) is applicable at the date of termination. The applicable charge is dependent on the payment period subscribed to and will be equal to fifty percent (50%) times the number of months remaining in the payment period times the monthly rate applicable. However, a TLC will not apply for; 1) moves of service subject to the provisions set forth in B7.10.3.B.5., 2) customer requested changes as specified in B2.4.9.A, CSPP or 3) customer requested change to services not covered by the CSPP that are offered by the Company under a contract payment plan.
6. When a customer requests B8ZS format be provided on a MegaLink Light service Local Channel, terms, conditions and rates and charges appropriate for Clear Channel Capability (CCC) as specified for MegaLink service, located in B7.1 preceding, will apply.

D. Connections

1. Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems may be connected to MegaLink Light service when such connection is made in accordance with the provisions specified in 2. and 3. following.
2. Responsibility of the Company
 - a. The responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing and maintenance of MegaLink Light service to a network interface on the customer's premises.

Note 1: As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 2: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.10 MegaLink Light Service (Cont'd)

B7.10.2 Terms and Conditions (cont'd)

D. Connections (Cont'd)

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- b. The Company shall not be responsible for installation, operation, or maintenance of any terminal equipment or communications system provided by a customer. MegaLink Light service is not represented as adapted for the use of such equipment or system. Where such equipment or system is connected to Company facilities, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to furnishing of facilities suitable for MegaLink Light service and to the maintenance and operation in a manner proper for such digital service. The Company shall not be responsible for:
 - the through transmission of signals generated by such equipment or system, or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission, or
 - the reception of signals by such equipment or systems, or
 - damage to terminal equipment or communication system provided by a customer or authorized user due to testing.
- c. The Company shall not be responsible to the customer if changes in any of the facilities, operations, or procedures of the Company utilized in the provision of MegaLink Light service render any facilities or equipment provided by the customer obsolete or require modification or alteration of such equipment or system or otherwise affects its use or performance.
- d. The Company undertakes to maintain and repair facilities which it furnishes. The customer may not rearrange, disconnect, remove, or attempt to repair any equipment installed by the Company without prior written consent of the Company.

3. Responsibility of the Customer

- a. The customer is responsible for installing and testing premises equipment or facilities to ensure that when they are connected to MegaLink Light service such equipment or facilities are operating properly.
- b. The operating characteristics of the customer premises equipment shall be such as to not interfere with any of the services offered by the Company. Such use is subject to the further provisions that the equipment provided by the customer does not: endanger the safety of Company employees or the public; damage, require change in or alteration of the equipment or other facilities of the Company; interfere with the proper functioning of such equipment or other facilities of the Company; impair the operation of the Company's facilities or otherwise injure the public in its use of the Company's services. Upon notice that the equipment provided by a customer is causing or is likely to cause such hazard or interference, the customer shall take such steps as shall be necessary to remove or prevent such hazard or interference.
- c. The customer's responsibility shall include cooperative testing with the Company as may be necessary. Where regeneration and/or equalization adjustments or changes may be required to compensate for rearrangements and/or changes in outside plant facilities, the customer will be responsible for all expenses incurred in changes to his premises equipment.
- d. When MegaLink Light service is connected at the serving wire center to another service which is provisioned with ANSI T1.403-1995 Extended Superframe Format (ESF) and/or Clear Channel Capability, the customer will be required to add the same format and/or line code standard to the MegaLink Light service to ensure compatibility. Rates, terms and conditions associated with Clear Channel Capability are located in B7.1.
- e. It will be the responsibility of the customer to make a power supply available when required by the Company for its use, using Company-provided, location specific, specifications for termination, type and location.

E. Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances

- 1. The minimum initial service period for MegaLink Light service is 24 months¹. Month-to-Month rates may be specified upon completion of the initial 24 month service period.
- 2. Suspension of service is not allowed.

Note 1: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.10 MegaLink Light Service

B7.10.3 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

B. Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

5. Moves

- a. A move involves a change in the physical location of one of the following:

- (1) the point of interface at the customer premises, or
- (2) the customer's premises.

- b. The charges for the move are dependent on whether the move is to a new location within the same building or to a different building.

(1) Moves Within the Same Building

When the move is to a new location within the same building, the charge for the move will be an amount equal to one-half the nonrecurring charge. There will be no change in the minimum period requirements. If a move is made at the same time a service rearrangement is made, the total charge will never exceed a full nonrecurring charge for the month-to-month service.

(2) To a Different Building

When the move is to a new location in Company territory within the same state, the charge for the move is equal to the sum of all nonrecurring charges applicable to a new MegaLink Light service month-to-month service arrangement at the new location.

When the move is to a new location in Company territory in a different state, the move will be treated as a discontinuance and start of service. The customer will be responsible for satisfying all outstanding minimum period charges for the discontinued service. All applicable nonrecurring charges at the new location will apply.

C. Rate and Charge Amounts

1. MegaLink Light Service, Local Channel

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	24 to 48 ^{1,2} Months	49 to 72 ^{1,2} Months	73 to 96 ^{1,2} Months	USOC	(C)
(a) First ½ Mile	\$300.00	\$155.00	\$145.00	\$140.00	\$135.00	1LDPL	
(b) Each additional ½ Mile, or fraction thereof	-	17.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	1LDPM	
2. Service Establishment Charge							
(a) Each	600.00	-	-	-	-	MLLSE	
3. Service Change Charge, Inside Move							
(a) Each	425.00	-	-	-	-	MLLIM	
4. Service Change Charge, Transfer of Responsibility							
(a) Each	50.00	-	-	-	-	MLLTR	
5. Premises Visit Charge							
(a) Each	30.00	-	-	-	-	MLLPV	

Note 1: As of October 1, 2013, Contract Terms greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.

Note 2: Effective August 29, 2025, customers may not elect a Term Payment Plan of any length, and existing Term Payment Plans of any length will not be renewed or extended. Upon expiration of any Term Payment Plan, month-to-month rates will apply subject to the Company's right to modify such rates upon notice to customer.

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