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A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

A3.3 Monthly Exchange Rates (Cont'd)

A3.3.1 Community Caller Plus Service (Cont'd)

The rate group for an exchange is specified in A3.2.2. Local exception rates are specified in A3.4.

B. PBX Trunk

1. Rate Groups 1-5

		Group						
		1	2	3	4	5	USOC	
(a)	Combination	\$97.00	\$97.00	\$97.00	\$97.00	\$97.00	TWCCX	(1)
(b)	Outdial	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	TWCOX	(1)
(c)	Inward Only	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	TWC1X	(1)
(d)	Direct Inward Dialing (DID)	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	TWCNX	(1)
(e)	DID Combination ¹	127.00	127.00	127.00	127.00	127.00	TWCND	

2. Rate Groups 6-10

		Group						
		6	7	8	9	10	USOC	
(a)	Combination	\$97.00	\$97.00	\$97.00	\$97.00	\$97.00	TWCCX	(1)
(b)	Outdial	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	TWCOX	(1)
(c)	Inward only	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	TWC1X	(1)
(d)	Direct Inward Dialing (DID)	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	97.00	TWCNX	(1)
(e)	DID Combination ¹	127.00	127.00	127.00	127.00	127.00	TWCND	

Note 1: Only provisioned from 1AESS and 5ESS switches in conjunction with the Call Transfer feature located in A12.7.2A.

A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

A3.3 Monthly Exchange Rates (Cont'd)

A3.3.4 Flat Rate Business Line

- A. The Flat Rate Business Line service provides local calling from the subscriber's home exchange to all Company exchanges and participating Independent Company exchanges within a 55-mile radius of the subscriber's home exchange. For a list of exchanges that will be included in the basic local calling area of the Flat Rate Business line service, please refer to A3.5, Bands A, B, C, D, E and F of the subscriber's home exchange.
- B. Calls within a 55-mile radius will be dialed 7 or 10-digits and are considered local calls.
- C. For calls outside the 55-mile radius, the appropriate intraLATA/toll MTS rates will apply for the long distance provider that the end user has chosen.
- D. The service is not available for use with Access Line Service for Payphone Service Provider telephones.
- E. Rates and Charges
 - 1. The following monthly rates apply:

	Rate	USOC	
(a) Business	\$120.00	FRL	(1)

A8. TELEPHONE ANSWERING SERVICE FACILITIES

A8.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

A8.2.1 Central Office Lines and Stations for Administrative Use (Cont'd)

- B.** Associated with switchboards arranged for making connections to administrative station lines.
 - 1. Rates and charges for PBX trunks and station lines apply.

A8.2.2 Concentrator - Identifier Channels

- A.** Where the concentrator is located in the same wire center as the TAS bureau, the following charges apply.
 - 1. (Restructured to B3.4.4 of the Private Line Service Tariff)
 - 2. (Restructured to B3.4.4 of the Private Line Service Tariff)
 - 3. Secretarial Line Mileage

	Installation Charge	Monthly Rate	USOC	
(a) Secretarial line mileage between the TAS Bureau and its serving wire center, per line, per 1/4 mile (ALM) ¹	\$10.25	\$5.00	1LJBR	(1)

- B.** Where the concentrator is located in a different wire center from the TAS bureau, interoffice channel charges for a Series 2000 Voice Grade Interoffice Channel in the Private Line Service Tariff apply in addition to the charges specified in A.3.(a) preceding.
 - 1. (Restructured to B3.4.4 of the Private Line Service Tariff)
 - 2. (Restructured to B3.4.4 of the Private Line Service Tariff)
- C.** (DELETED)

Note 1: Nonrecurring charge is per channel.

A12. CENTRAL OFFICE NON-TRANSPORT SERVICE OFFERINGS

A12.7 Direct-Inward-Dialing (DID) Service (Cont'd)

A12.7.2 Rates and Charges

A. Central Office Components

1. Direct-Inward Dialing (DID) Service

	Installation Charge	Monthly Rate	USOC	
(a) Establish trunk group and provide first group of 20 DID numbers	\$150.00	\$ 17.00	NDZ	(1)
(b) Each additional group of 20 DID numbers	14.50	17.00	ND4	(1)
(c) Non-Consecutive DID Numbers, each number ¹	2.20	2.00	ND5	(1)
(d) DID Trunk Termination, each Inward Only Trunk ²	87.25	52.00	NDT	(1)
(e) DID Trunk Termination, each Combination Trunk with Call Transfer ^{2,3}	250.00	87.00	NCT	(1)
(f) Multifrequency (MF) Signaling option, each trunk ⁴	-	-	S5MBD	
(g) Dual Tone Multifrequency (DTMF) Signaling option, each trunk ⁴	-	-	S5DBD	
(h) Automatic Intercept Service, per number referred ⁵	16.00	-	ND1	
(i) Group of 20 Reserved Numbers, each group ⁶	150.00	13.00	NDV	(1)
(j) Reserved Non-Consecutive DID numbers, each ¹	2.20	.20	ND6	

Note 1: Rates and charges apply to each working number in an individual or nonsequential group or in a group of less than twenty numbers. The installation charge in (a) above applies for the establishment of the first group of consecutive or non-consecutive numbers.

Note 2: In addition to the rates and charges for the DID Trunk Termination, rates and charges for DID PBX Trunks or NARs as specified in Section A3 apply as appropriate.

Note 3: Combination Trunks with the Call Transfer feature are only provisioned where facilities permit.

Note 4: Provides faster signaling on DID PBX trunks or NARs. The choice of signaling alternative depends on the customer's premises equipment.

Note 5: Provides automatic referral of calls from a disconnected non-listed DID number to a corresponding new number for a maximum of twelve months. AIS is available only where facilities permit.

Note 6: Installation charge applies if customer does not currently have Direct-Inward-Dialing service.

A13. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

A13.52 Reserved for Future Use

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A13.56 Hot Line Service

A13.56.1 General

- A. Hot Line Service is an automatic dialing feature which provides the customer with the ability to automatically be connected with another predetermined line in the circuit switched network. When the customer's instrument goes off-hook, a switched connection is set up without any further customer action. The predetermined number is selected by the customer at the time service is established and can be changed only via service order.
- B. Hot Line Service may be used only in connection with individual line service.
- C. Hot Line Service is furnished only from central offices which have been arranged to provide this service and is provided subject to the availability of facilities.

A13.56.2 Rates and Charges

- A. Hot Line Service
The rates and charges for this service are in addition to the monthly and Service Charges for individual line service found in Sections A3. and A4., respectively.
 - 1. Per Individual Line

	Nonrecurring Charge	Monthly Rate	USOC
(a) Residence	\$3.00	\$.50	HLS
(b) Business	3.00	12.00	HLS

(1)

A23. SHARING AND RESALE

A23.1 Sharing and Resale of Telephone Services (Cont'd)

A23.1.3 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

C. The following rates and charges apply for Sharing and Resale of Telephone Services except as specified in A23.1.3.A preceding. (Cont'd)

3. Sharing/Resale Expanded Local Measured Service

a. Individual Lines

(1) Rate Groups 1-5

	1	2	Group 3	4	5	USOC	
(a) Each	\$46.00	\$46.00	\$46.00	\$46.00	\$46.00	MR4	(1)
(2) Rate Groups 6-10							

	6	7	Group 8	9	10	USOC	
(a) Each	\$46.00	\$46.00	\$46.00	\$46.00	\$46.00	MR4	(1)
(3) Exceptions							

	Rate	USOC	
(a) Charlotte	\$46.00	MR4	(1)
(b) Davidson	46.00	MR4	(1)
(c) Huntersville	46.00	MR4	(1)

A23. SHARING AND RESALE

A23.1 Sharing and Resale of Telephone Services (Cont'd)

A23.1.3 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

C. The following rates and charges apply for Sharing and Resale of Telephone Services except as specified in A23.1.3.A preceding. (Cont'd)

3. Sharing/Resale Expanded Local Measured Service (Cont'd)

a. Individual Lines (Cont'd)

(3) Exceptions (Cont'd)

(d) Selma

Rate	USOC	
\$46.00	MR4	(I)

b. Trunks

(1) Rate Groups 1-5

	Group					USOC	
	1	2	3	4	5	SM1	
(a) Combination	<i>\$59.00</i>	<i>\$59.00</i>	<i>\$59.00</i>	<i>\$59.00</i>	<i>\$59.00</i>	<i>\$59.00</i>	(I)
(b) Inward-only	38.30	42.52	43.53	44.39	45.43	T161X	(T)

(2) Rate Groups 6-10

	Group					USOC	
	6	7	8	9	10	SM1	
(a) Combination	<i>\$59.00</i>	<i>\$59.00</i>	<i>\$59.00</i>	<i>\$59.00</i>	<i>\$59.00</i>	<i>\$59.00</i>	(I)
(b) Inward-only	46.25	46.25	46.25	46.85	46.85	T161X	(T)

(3) Exceptions¹

	Rate	USOC	
(a) Charlotte	\$59.00	NA	(I)
(b) Davidson	59.00	NA	(I)
(c) Huntersville	59.00	NA	(I)
(d) Selma	59.00	NA	(I)

Note 1: The rates shown for the exception exchanges apply to all trunk types listed for Rate Groups 1-10 preceding. USOCs shown for Rate Groups 1-10 also apply for the exception exchanges.

A43. CHANNELIZED VOICE TRANSPORT SERVICES

A43.1 BellSouth Channelized Trunks (Cont'd)

A43.1.4 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

F. Number

1. Number Activated

	Monthly Rate	USOC	
(a) DID Number	\$2.00	BCT1T	(1)
(b) Combination Number	2.00	BCT2T	(1)
(c) Outward Only Number (Provisional USOC)	-	BCTOT	

G. Superframe Format / Extended Superframe Format

1. Per BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Line formatted or per 1.544 Mbps Interoffice Facility formatted.

	Subsequent Nonrecurring Charge	USOC
(a) Superframe Format	\$250.00	CCOSF
(b) Superframe Format (Provisional USOC)	-	MCOSF
(c) Extended Superframe Format	250.00	CCOEF
(d) Extended Superframe Format (Provisional USOC)	-	MCOPO

H. Service Establishment

A Service Establishment Charge is applicable for each BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Line ordered, except as specified in A43.1.3.G. This charge is for receiving and recording information and/or taking action in connection with a customer's request for service. This charge includes engineering design, common centralized testing and coordination. A Premises Visit Charge as defined in J. is also applicable to initial service establishment.

1. Service Establishment Charge, Each BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Line Provisioned

	Nonrecurring Charge	USOC
(a) New BellSouth Channelized Trunks customer	\$575.00	BCTSE

I. Move of Service

A Move of Service charge applies for each BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Line moved to a new location in the same building. This move charge is equal to the sum of the Service Change and/or Inside Move Charge and the Premises Visit Charge as provided in J. A Move of Service charge also applies for each BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Line moved to a new location in *the Company's* territory within the same state. In this case the move charge is equal to the sum of all nonrecurring charges applicable to a new BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Line installation at the new location including a Premise Visit Charge.

J. Service Installation and Rearrangement

Service Installation and Rearrangement charges are applicable for receiving and recording information and/or taking action in connection with a customer's inside move, transfer of service responsibility request, or for processing the necessary data for a change to an existing BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Line. Premises Visit Charges are applicable for Service Establishment and Moves of Service. Only one Premises Visit Charge applies when more than one BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Line is moved or installed at the same premises at the same time.

	Nonrecurring Charge	USOC
1. Service Change and/or Inside Move		
(a) Each BellSouth Channelized Trunks 1.544 Mbps Access Line Provisioned	325.00	BCTMV
2. Transfer of Responsibility		
(a) Each Transfer	25.00	BCTTR
3. Premises Visit Charge		
(a) Each Visit	40.00	BCTPV

A103. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

A103.3 Monthly Exchange Rates

A103.3.2 Message Rate Service

(Obsoleted 12/95 - 8/96, Type 4. ELS Message Rate service is not available to new customers. Customers already subscribing to this service may retain and add to existing service for as long as they remain at the same premises.)

- A. Reserved For Future Use
- B. Rates

1. Business Monthly Rate

See definitions of complex business and simple business in Section A1.

	Charlotte	Raleigh-Durham Airport	USOC	
(a) Complex line	<i>\$46.00</i>	<i>\$46.00</i>	PMBCB	(I)
(b) Simple Line	<i>46.00</i>	<i>46.00</i>	PMBSB	(I)
(c) Combination Trunk	53.00	-	TMWCX	(I)
(d) Outdial Trunk	53.00	-	TMWOX	(I)
(e) ESSX/Digital ESSX Combination NAR ¹	15.74	-	3WOCX	
(f) ESSX/Digital ESSX Outgoing NAR ¹	15.74	-	3WOOX	

2. Message Allowance

The monthly message allowance is 50 messages per line, trunk or NAR.

3. Additional local messages

	Price	USOC
(a) Each additional BSA message in excess of allowance	\$.12	NA

Note 1: See A3.11 for applications for Network Access Register (NAR) service.

A103. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

A103.13 Expanded Local Service (Cont'd)

A103.13.5 Rates and Charges

A. Thrifty Caller Service¹

1. The following monthly rates apply for the option selected without Inward Call Billing Service:

(Obsolated in accordance with the schedule specified in A3.1.2, Type 4. ELS Thrifty Caller service is not available to new customers. Customers already subscribing to this service may retain and add to existing service for as long as they remain at the same premises.)

	Monthly Rate	USOC
a. Individual Line Service		
(1) Each		
(a) Residence	\$26.00	PCR
(b) Simple Business	23.00	PPB (1)
(c) Complex Business	23.00	PCX (1)
b. Individual Line Rotary Line Service		
(1) Each		
(a) Residence	1.40	HTGDR
(b) Business	3.85	HTGDB

Note 1: All Thrifty Caller service calls are rated based on the usage schedule specified in A103.3.3.

A103. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

A103.38 Back-Up Line (Cont'd)

A103.38.1 Regulations and Rates (Cont'd)

- D. Each Back-Up Line can receive calls forwarded from one busy primary line or hunt group without incurring an additional charge for rotary line service. This overflow capability will be provided on the forwarding line. The addition of a Back-Up Line will not impact existing charges for rotary line service, e.g. if a customer has two primary lines with rotary line service and adds a Back-Up Line, two charges for rotary line service will continue to apply.
- E. Overflow capability from more than one primary line or hunt group to Back-Up Line service will be provided on the forwarding line at rates as specified for rotary line service in Section A13. When more than one primary line or hunt group overflows to the same Back-Up Line, an additional charge for rotary line service (BUL++) is incurred for each additional (excluding the first) primary line or hunt group that overflows to the same Back-Up Line.

- | | Monthly
Rate | USOC
BULRX |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| (a) Per additional line or group that overflows (See A13.8 for rotary line service rate) | - | |
- F. If a customer subscribes to more than one Back-Up Line, these Back-Up Lines may be provisioned in a sequential hunting rotary group at no charge. Rotary line capability may not be provided from a Back-Up Line or group of Back-Up Lines to other lines on the same premises. Call Forward Busy Line provided at rates specified in Section A13, may be used to forward calls from Back-Up Lines to lines located on different premises (e.g., an after hours answering arrangement).
 - G. Back-Up Line service cannot be provisioned with circular hunting.
 - H. Rotary line service charges will not apply to a hunt group comprised only of Back-Up Lines. For calls to hunt groups comprised only of Back-Up Lines, only one inward call usage charge (\$.05 per minute) will apply per call terminated on and completed to a Back-Up Line in that hunt group.
 - I. A free directory listing is not furnished with Back-Up Line service. Listings may be purchased at the rates specified in Section A6.
 - J. Usage charges are applied to all incoming (e.g., long distance, expanded service area and basic service area) and outgoing calls associated with Back-Up Line service, as described in L., M. and N., with the following exceptions: No usage charges apply to outgoing calls to the Company business office, Repair Service, Directory Assistance, or for 911 Emergency service. No Back-Up Line outward usage charges (\$.05 per minute) apply for calls made on a Back-Up Line to the expanded service area or for calls made to toll areas, but the regular expanded service area usage rates or long distance rates do apply for such calls
 - K. The access line rate per Back-Up Line is as shown in 1. The access line rate per Back-Up Line for BellSouth Business Plus service customers is as shown in 2.

	Monthly Rate	USOC	
1. Back-Up Line			
(a) Each	\$120.00	SBL LX	(1)
2. BellSouth Business Plus Back-Up Line			
(a) Per Back-Up Line with BellSouth Business Plus service - Option 1 primary line	120.00	SBL L1	(1)
(b) Per Back-Up Line with BellSouth Business Plus service - Option 2 primary line	120.00	SBL L2	(1)

A103. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS – BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

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

A103.43.1 Plan Descriptions (Cont'd)

- A. BellSouth Business Plus Service (Cont'd)
 - 5. Usage rates specified for this service apply only for calls originated from a line equipped with BellSouth Business Plus service. BellSouth Business Plus service (Option 1 and Option 2) usage charges apply to all 0+ and 0- calls originated from a line equipped with BellSouth Business Plus service and terminating within the LATA. For Option 1, every minute of 0+ and 0- usage is rated, therefore this usage is not counted against the 120 hour usage threshold. The appropriate operator services surcharges will also be charged in accordance with the rules and conditions of A.3.9.
 - 6. BellSouth Business Plus service Option 2 service customers may subscribe to Local Usage Detail for billable usage. There is no charge for the Local Usage Detail.
 - 7. Method of Determining Monthly Usage Charges
 - a. Usage is determined for each call based on minutes or fraction thereof, with minimum call duration of one minute. This value is then multiplied by the rate per minute for the rate option selected by the customer. The resultant amount is truncated to whole cents for each call. The amount of usage billed to the customer is subject to paragraphs b and c.
 - b. For Option 1, usage above the first 120 hours (7,200 minutes) of usage within the entire LATA and all 0+ and 0- usage within the LATA is billed to the customer.
 - c. For Option 2, usage outside the Basic Service Area but within the LATA and all 0+ and 0- usage within the LATA is subject to the billing as described in paragraph a.

A103.43.2 Exchange Access Line Rates

A. Individual Line Service

- 1. BellSouth Business Plus service - Option 1

	Monthly Rate	Rate per Minute of Use	USOC	
(a) Each line	\$115.00	-	BV1	(I)
(b) Each minute of use within the LATA above 120 hours (7,200 minutes) per month	-	\$.05	NA	

- 2. BellSouth Business Plus service - Option 2

(a) Each line	87.00	-	BV2	(I)
(b) Each minute of use within the LATA that is both outside the Basic Service Area and not shorter than or equal to 16 miles in the Expanded Service Area	-	.06	NA	
(c) Each minute of use 1 - 16 miles in the Expanded Service Area	-	.00	NA	

A103.43.3 Service Charges

- A. The service 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 BellSouth Business Plus service.
- B. Service charges do not apply for transactions which only involve additions, deletions or changes to the services or features requested with BellSouth Business Plus service as part of a BellSouth Business Choice package or a BellSouth Complete Choice for Business package.

A112. OBSOLETE CENTRAL OFFICE NON-TRANSPORT SERVICE OFFERINGS

A112.17 Prestige Communications Package (PCP) (Cont'd)

A112.17.2 Service Description (Cont'd)

B. Optional Features (Cont'd)

4. Alternate Answering

This feature automatically transfers incoming or intercom calls that encounter a don't answer condition after a preselected number of rings (from 1 to 7) on the subscribing PCP line to an alternate designated line within the PCP system. Because of technical limitations, the actual number of ring cycles before a don't answer call is transferred may vary slightly from the preset value. The number to which calls are transferred and the approximate number of ring cycles before a don't answer call is transferred are specified by the customer at the time the feature is ordered. This feature is in operation on a continuous basis and cannot be activated or deactivated by the customer. Changes to the feature must be requested from the Company by service order.

A112.17.3 Rates and Charges

The following rates and charges are for PCP service only and are in addition to the applicable service charges, monthly rates and nonrecurring charges for exchange access lines and other services or equipment with which they are associated.

A. Monthly Rates

1. PCP Standard Features¹

a. PCP I Service

	Feature Establishment Charge	Monthly Rate	USOC	
(1) Business Service				
(a) Service Establishment Charge, per system ²	\$68.00		NA	
(b) First exchange business line terminated in a system.	6.75	\$23.00	MVP	(1)
(c) All additional exchange business lines terminated in a system (maximum of 5 additional lines per system), each line.	6.75	23.00	MVPAL	(1)

Note 1: Includes Intercom, Call Hold, Call Pickup, user transfer and conferencing.

Note 2: The Service Establishment Charge per business system is not applicable for Prestige Single Line Service (PSLS) customers upgrading to PCP I or PCP II service. Charges in A112.17.3.B. apply as appropriate.

A123. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - SHARING AND RESALE

A123.1 Sharing and Resale of Telephone Services

A123.1.1 Reserved for Future Use

A123.1.2 Reserved for Future Use

A123.1.3 Rates and Charges

A. The following rates and charges apply for Sharing and Resale of Telephone Services except as specified in A23.1.3.A.

1. ELS Sharing/Resale Thrifty Caller Service

(Obsoleted in accordance with the schedule specified in A3.1.2, Type 4.) Thrifty Caller service is not available to new customers. Customers already subscribing to this service may retain and add to existing service for 3 years following the effective date of LATA wide ELS.

	Monthly		
	Rate	USOC	
(a) Individual Lines	\$18.00	PSM	
(b) Combination Trunks	43.00	SWMCX	(I)
(c) Two-way Trunks	26.35	SWM2X	
(d) Outdial Trunks	43.00	SWMOX	(I)
(e) Inward Only Trunks	43.00	SWM1X	(I)
(f) DID Inward Only Trunks	43.00	SWMNX	(I)
(g) NAR Two-way	15.45	NNA2X	
(h) NAR One-way Incoming	15.45	NNA1X	
(i) NAR One-way Outgoing	15.45	NNAOX	