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A5. CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

A5.1 Construction Charges (Cont'd)

A5.1.6 Rearrangement of Existing Plant

- A. When the Company is requested to move or change existing plant for which no specific charge is quoted in this Guidebook, (T) the person at whose request such move or change is made may be required to bear the costs incurred.
- **B.** Where by statute, ordinance or other legal requirement, existing aerial facilities are required to be relocated underground, the Company will charge the net cost attributable to such relocation to the local exchange subscribers located within the political subdivision or area affected by such statute, ordinance or other legal requirement.

A5.1.7 Construction Required for Temporary Service

When construction is required for temporary service and there is no immediate prospect of reusing the plant provided, the subscriber may be required to bear all or a portion of the cost of such construction.

A5.1.8 Engineering Work Preparation Fee

A one-time Engineering Work Preparation Fee of \$500 will apply for the preparation of a quotation for custom work which may require construction charges. This fee is applicable prior to preparation of an estimate for custom work requiring construction charges and will be applied regardless of whether or not the work is ultimately performed for the customer. The Engineering Work Preparation Fee is nonrefundable; however, should the customer proceed with the custom work the fee will be applied against the special construction charges. If work is determined not to be a custom work order after the field visit by the engineer, the fee will be refunded to the customer.

The Engineering Work Preparation Fee provides for the development and preparation of a detailed estimate of cost including any appropriate engineering costs incurred in the preparation of this quotation. The customer will be advised of this charge and must agree to pay it before development of the quotation will commence. Preparation of the quotation will begin after the Engineering Work Preparation Fee is received by the Company.

Payment of the Engineering Work Preparation Fee does not assign, confer, or transfer title or ownership rights to proposals or equipment, designed or furnished by the Company. Title and ownership rights for any item developed at the customer's request remains with the Company except as specifically provided by an agreement between all parties.

The Company has the right to apply more applicable engineering preparation fees for any large, complex and/or unique projects that will require excessive engineering hours to develop a detailed cost quote.

A5.2 Charges for Unusual Installations

A5.2.1 Special Types of Installation

When a special type of installation is desired by a subscriber or where the individual requirements of a particular situation make the installation unusually expensive, the subscriber is required to bear the excess cost of such installation.

A5.2.2 Temporary Installation

When an installation is required for temporary service and there is no immediate prospect of reusing the plant provided, the subscriber may be required to bear all or a portion of the cost of such installation, over and above all other regular charges for service and equipment.

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B5. CONSTRUCTION CHARGES

B5.1 General

- **A.** Special charges in the form of installation charges, monthly charges, or both are applied in addition to all rates and charges quoted in the other sections of this Guidebook when, because of sporadic or occasional nature of the service or an unusual investment or expense, the revenue does not reasonably compensate the Company, for example:
 - 1. The facilities are provided in remote or undeveloped sections.
 - 2. Conditions require the provision of special equipment or unusual methods of plant construction, installation or maintenance.
 - 3. The customer's location requires the use of costly private right-of-way.
- **B.** Title to all construction provided wholly or partly at a customer's expense is vested in the Company, except as specified in B5.2.A. and B5.3.A. following.
- **C.** For special equipment and arrangements furnished in connection with private line service, or for special service arrangements furnished in lieu of existing Guidebook offerings, provided there is reasonable potential for uneconomic bypass of the Company's services, charges equivalent to the estimated cost of furnishing such equipment or arrangements apply. Estimated cost consists of an estimate of the following items to the extent that they are applicable:
 - 1. Cost of maintenance.
 - 2. Cost of operation.
 - 3. Depreciation on the estimated cost installed of any facilities provided, based on the anticipated useful service life of the facilities with an appropriate allowance for the estimated net salvage.
 - 4. Administration, taxes and uncollectible revenue on the basis of reasonable average charges for these items.
 - 5. Any other specific items of expense associated with the particular situation.
 - 6. A reasonable amount, computed on the estimated cost installed of any facilities provided, for return and contingencies.

Estimated cost installed as mentioned in 3. and 6. above includes cost of equipment and material specifically provided or used plus the estimated cost of installing, including engineering, labor, supervision, transportation, rights-of-way and any other items which are chargeable to the capital accounts of the Company.

Initial service periods exceeding one month may be necessary for facilities and equipment provided under a special service arrangement.

- **D.** When attachments are made to poles of other companies, in lieu of providing construction for which the customer would be charged under the provisions hereof, the costs of the Company for such attachments are borne by the customer.
- **E.** The customer is required to pay construction charges as made by another company providing facilities connecting with the facilities of the Company.
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