
A5. CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

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A5.1 Construction Charges

A5.1.1 General

- A. Construction charges are applicable under certain conditions as hereinafter set forth and are in addition to other charges specified in this Guidebook.
- B. Construction charges are payable upon application for service or when billing is rendered as the Company, at its option, may require.
- C. Construction performed by the applicant, where authorized in this Guidebook, is subject to approval of the Company.
- D. The word "cost", when used in this section, means the in-plant cost consisting of labor, materials, supervision and other overhead expenses associated with the construction. Estimated cost will be used; however, where the subscriber requests, actual cost will be used where practicable.
- E. Except as otherwise provided herein, the *Terms and Conditions* in this Guidebook contemplate that the type of construction required to provide the quantity and class of service involved will be determined by the Company. The applicant may be required to pay the additional costs involved where a different type of construction than that proposed by the Company is desired. (T)
- F. When attachments are made to poles of other companies in lieu of providing new pole line construction for which construction charges would be applicable under the provisions of this section, the attachment rental charges to the Company for such attachments may be assessed to the applicant(s) in whole or in part as the particular circumstances may warrant.
- G. When an applicant is so located that it is necessary to use private right-of-way to furnish service and the Company is unable to obtain the required right-of-way without cost, the applicant may be required to pay the costs incurred in securing, clearing and retaining such right-of-way.

A5.1.2 Construction on Public Highways or Other Easements

A. Pole Line Construction

- 1. No construction charge is applicable for the provision of new pole line construction on public highways or other easements when such pole line is to be used in serving subscribers in general.
- 2. Except as provided preceding, when an applicant for service is located in territory where new pole line construction is required and the revenue is not expected to be sufficient to insure, within a reasonable time, an adequate return on the necessary investment, the Company will provide new pole line construction to the extent of two poles per subscriber to be served at no construction charge, provided said two poles are to be used for the purpose of carrying central office circuits. Poles in excess of such two poles per subscriber to be served are provided in one of the following methods:
 - a. The subscriber may pay the Company the cost of each pole provided.
 - (1) Ownership and maintenance of such pole is vested in the Company.

	Price	USOC
(a) Cost per pole	\$10.00	NA

- b. If agreed to in writing by both parties the subscriber, at his own expense, may furnish the portion of pole line and circuits from his station location to an agreed upon point of connection with the Company's system. The subscriber is required to maintain or bear the expense of maintaining his portion of the pole line and circuit and also to bear the expense of installing the station equipment. The station equipment will be maintained by the Company but maintenance expense incurred, because of the inaccessibility of the station or because of disrepair of the subscriber owned portion of the line, shall be borne by the subscriber.
- 3. Where poles are provided under paragraph 1, the Company will furnish and maintain the necessary circuits. Where poles are provided under paragraph 2.a., the Company will furnish and maintain the necessary circuits but the subscriber may be required to bear all or a part of the construction cost of the circuits where the revenue is not expected to be sufficient to insure, within a reasonable time, an adequate return on the necessary investment. (T)

B. Buried Construction

Where buried construction is furnished instead of pole line construction, at the expressed desire of the applicant, the principles applicable in A are followed and an allowance of 300 feet of buried construction will be made in lieu of the specified pole allowance. (T)

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A5.1 Construction Charges (Cont'd)

A5.1.3 Construction on Private Property

A. Pole Line Construction

1. No construction charge is made for the provision of new pole line construction on private property, when such pole line is to be used in serving subscribers in general. Ownership and maintenance of such poles on private property is vested in the Company.
2. Except as provided in 1. foregoing and 3. following, poles on private property to be used in serving an individual subscriber will be furnished by the Company at a charge to the subscriber(s) for each such pole, except that the Company will furnish as many as two poles without charge per subscriber(s) provided that the poles thus furnished are used to carry central office circuits. Ownership and maintenance of such poles is vested in the Company.
 - a. In lieu of the arrangements specified above, the subscriber may, at his own expense, provide all poles on private property necessary to serve him.
 - (1) Ownership and maintenance of such poles on private property is vested in the subscriber.

(a) Cost per pole	Price	USOC
	\$10.00	NA

3. Where for the purpose of furnishing extension lines, it is necessary to lay underground conduit, to trench or to set poles on the subscriber's premises, the subscriber is required to provide and install such underground conduit, to dig and backfill trenches, and to provide and erect such poles or the Company will perform the work at the subscriber's expense. Where the work is performed by the subscriber, it must be in accordance with the specifications of the Company. In such situations, conduit, trenching, poles or other supporting structure required for central office circuits will be furnished by or at the expense of the subscriber. Thus, ownership and maintenance of all supporting structure on private property is vested in the subscriber.
4. Where poles are provided under the provisions described in 1., 2., or 3. preceding, the Company will furnish and maintain the necessary circuits.

B. Buried Construction

Where buried construction is furnished instead of pole line construction, at the expressed desire of the applicant, the principles applicable in A. preceding are followed and an allowance of 300 feet of buried construction will be made in lieu of the specified pole allowance.

A5.1.4 Underground Service Entrances

- A.** Underground service entrances may be provided at the subscriber's request as special construction in connection with either existing or new services, in lieu of the usual aerial drop wire.
- B.** Where the following conditions exist, buried service entrance facilities will be furnished without construction charge:
 1. The location of the service is in an area where buried distribution facilities are used by the Company, and
 2. Buried service wire or buried cable would normally be provided by the Company for service entrance.
- C.** Where conditions in B. above do not exist, buried service entrance will be provided at the applicant's request and he shall be required to pay the additional cost incurred by the Company as set forth in A5.1.5 following, or buried service entrance will be furnished without construction charge where the applicant provides conduit or opens and backfills a trench to specifications of the Company.

A5.1.5 Special Types of Construction

When a special type of construction other than those covered preceding is desired by a subscriber or where the individual requirements of a particular situation make the construction unusually expensive, the subscriber is required to bear the excess cost of such construction. Any special maintenance expense that may from time to time occur will be borne by the subscriber except that maintenance of buried service wire, including associated trenching where required, will be at the expense of the Company.

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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, the person at whose request such move or change is made may be required to bear the costs incurred. (T)
- 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. (N)

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.