

**1. SPECIAL SERVICES**

**A. Construction Charges**

1. General Regulations

a. All rates and charges specified in this Guidebook contemplate the establishment of service without abnormal or excessive expense to the Company. Under certain conditions, as outlined in this paragraph A, nonrecurring charges, hereinafter referred to as construction charges, will be applied to cover all or a part of the abnormal or excessive expense incurred by the Company in the establishment of service. Payment of construction charges will be required prior to the commencement of the work with which such construction charges are associated.

b. 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. (N)

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. (N)

c. Where construction has been started in order to furnish service to an applicant and the application for service is cancelled prior to the establishment of service, the applicant shall be required to reimburse the Company for the estimated loss resulting from such construction. (C)

d. Where facilities constructed on private right of way are used as a part of the Company's general distributing plant, the regulations and construction charges to be applied shall be those specified for the construction of facilities on public highways, but when not so used, the regulations and construction charges to be applied shall be those specified for the construction of entrance facilities. (C)

e. Such facilities and construction work as may be provided by an applicant, as hereinafter set forth, shall be subject to the approval of the Company. (C)

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1. General Regulations (cont'd)

- f. The customer does not obtain any rights of ownership or otherwise in facilities provided by the Company, whether or not construction charges are applied. All facilities provided by the Company shall be under its exclusive control and, except as hereinafter specifically provided, shall be maintained and replaced by and at the expense of the Company. /1/ (C)
- g. All facilities provided by the customer shall be owned by the customer, but shall be under the exclusive control of the Company while used for the furnishing of service by the Company. Maintenance and replacement of such facilities shall be at the expense of the customer. (C)
- h. Permanent facilities on public highways will be provided by the Company without the application of construction charges. /1/ (C)
- i. A buried wire or buried cable type of facilities will not be provided where, in the judgment of the Company, conditions are unsuitable and the use of such type of facilities may interfere with the furnishing of efficient telephone service. (C)
- j. When an applicant is so located that it is necessary for the Company to obtain right of way to furnish service, the applicant may be required to pay the cost (including rental) of securing and retaining such right of way. (C)
- k. Where rearrangement of any facilities provided by the Company on private property is made at the request of or to meet conditions imposed by the customer, the expense incurred by the Company for such rearrangement shall be borne by the customer. (C)

2. Temporary Facilities

Where the Company constructs temporary facilities, the applicant will be required to pay the expense incurred by the Company for such construction, plus the estimated cost of removal of such facilities, less the estimated salvage value of the material recovered upon removal of such facilities. Temporary facilities are:

- a. facilities constructed in advance of construction of permanent facilities and removed upon completion of the construction of permanent facilities, and
- b. facilities which will probably be used only for a short term and with respect to which there is no immediate prospect of reuse in place for another applicant.

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**1. SPECIAL SERVICES (cont'd)**

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3. Permanent Entrance Facilities

Entrance facilities are those facilities which extend from the point of entrance on private property to the premises in which service is located. The Company will construct permanent entrance facilities subject to a. through c. following.

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a. Pole Lines

1. When the Company constructs permanent entrance facilities of a pole line type, the applicant shall be required to pay the expense incurred by the Company for that portion of the pole line as is in excess of 1,000 feet, measured along the proposed path of construction.
2. When the Company attaches its entrance facilities to poles of others located on private property, the charges to be applied, where expense is incurred by the Company either for purchase of an interest in or rental of contacts on such poles, are the same as those which would be applicable if a pole line were constructed by the Company. When such poles are used by the Company for attaching its entrance facilities without expense, no construction charges shall apply. All other regulations and requirements of both the owner of such pole lines and the Company with respect to such joint use shall apply.

The decision as to whether poles of others are suitable for the attachment of the Company's facilities rests with the Company.

b. Buried Facilities

1. When the Company constructs permanent entrance facilities of a buried wire or buried cable type, the applicant shall be required to pay the expense incurred by the Company for excavation and fill-in for that part of the entrance facilities so constructed as is in excess of 1,000 feet in length, measured along the proposed path of construction, provided that the applicant is located in territory where such type of facilities is used for the Company's general distributing plant, and such type of entrance facilities would normally be provided.
2. Except as otherwise provided in 1. preceding, the furnishing of buried entrance facilities is not considered normal, and when buried entrance facilities are provided, the applicant shall be required to pay charges as specified in 1. preceding, plus the additional expense incurred by the Company as described in 5. following.

Where a buried wire or buried cable type of entrance facilities is provided by the Company in cases where such type of facilities is not considered normal, the customer shall be required to pay for all excavation and fill-in in connection with maintenance and replacement of such buried wire or buried cable type of entrance facilities.

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## 3. Permanent Entrance Facilities (cont'd)

## c. Conduit

Where a conduit type of entrance facilities is required, construction charges do not apply; however, the applicant is required to provide, in place, suitable conduit from the point of entrance on his private property to the premises in which service is to be furnished, except where the Company, in its sole discretion, initiates the installation or maintenance of such conduit as part of modernizing the network.

## 4. Facilities (Other Than Entrance Facilities) Confined to the Same Continuous Property

- a. Except where the Company, in its sole discretion, initiates the installation or maintenance of such conduit as part of modernizing the network, the applicant or customer will be required to provide: (1) poles and fixtures in place where a pole line type of facilities is used; (2) conduit in place where a conduit type of facilities is used; and (3) excavation and fill-in where a buried wire or buried cable type of facilities is used.
- b. The Company will provide wire or cable on such poles, cable in such conduit and buried wire or buried cable in such excavations, in accordance with the regulations and at the rates and charges specified for non-regulated Premises Work and Materials.
- c. Where a buried wire or buried cable type of facilities is provided by the Company on private property, other than for entrance facilities, the customer shall be required to pay for all excavation and fill-in in connection with maintenance and replacement of such buried wire or buried cable type of facilities.

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- 5. Special Types of Construction or Facilities
  - a. Outside Construction or Facilities

When an applicant requires a special type of construction or a type of facilities not normally provided, or where the conditions imposed by the applicant, such as the time and place involved, make the installation abnormally or excessively expensive, the applicant shall be required to pay the additional expense incurred by the Company; i.e., the difference between the expense incurred by the Company for such construction, facilities or installation and the expense which would otherwise be incurred for a normal type of construction or facilities or a normal installation.