1. GROUP ALERTING AND DISPATCHING SYSTEMS

A. Description

A Group Alerting and Dispatching System is an arrangement of equipment and facilities designed for use by volunteer fire departments of municipalities for the simultaneous alerting of customer-designated exchange telephones for one-way communication during emergency conditions. An oral or recorded dispatching message may be transmitted by the customer to a maximum of four hundred and eighty telephones arranged to be alerted either as a single group or in not more than eight groups. Such systems will be furnished where transmission limitations within the system will not be exceeded.

The System can alert telephones connected to non-residence and residence service.

A multi-group arrangement provides for the control telephone to selectively alert any of eight predesignated groups of telephones by dialing a specific digit for each of the groups. The maximum number of groups which may be served by a Secondary central office area is four.

A basic, single or multi-group, Group Alerting and Dispatching System consists of the customer's control telephone, a control channel, and a common equipment serving the telephones to be alerted all such telephones and facilities being confined to the Primary central office area. Secondary central office areas may be added to the basic system when there are additional telephones to be altered in central office areas contiguous to the Primary central office area. One or more of the control telephones may be located in Secondary central office areas or in a central office area in which no telephones to be alerted are located, but which is contiguous to the Primary central office area. Such control telephones are connected to the serving central office by control channels and to the common equipment in the Primary central office area by channels between the central offices.

A. Description (cont'd)

At the customer's request, the following additional equipment and facilities will be provided by the Company:

- Additional control channels and alternate control channels (maximum of five per system)
- An automatic overtone to signal a telephone on a busy line that dispatching message is waiting
- A check channel to monitor recorded messages

B. Definitions

Alternate Control Channel

A second control channel provided at the customer's request to assure continuity of service in case of failure of the first control channel is identified as an alternate control channel.

Central Office Channel

The circuit connecting the common equipment in the Primary central office area with the common equipment in a Secondary central office area. When a control telephone is served from a central office area which is not the Primary central office area, the circuit which extends a control, alternate control, or a check channel from the central office serving such control telephone to the common equipment in the Primary central office area is also called a Central Office Channel.

B. Definitions (cont'd)

Check Channel

The circuit connecting automatic answering equipment at a control telephone location with common equipment in the Primary central office area, for the purpose of monitoring the recorded message.

Control Channels

The circuit which connects a control telephone with the common equipment in the Primary central office area when the control telephone is located in such central office area; or the circuit which connects a control telephone with the central office serving the control telephone when such telephone is located in a central office area which is not the Primary central office area.

Control Telephone

A telephone located on the customer's premises, or premises designated by the customer, for use only for the transmission of dispatching messages over a Group Alerting and Dispatching System.

Primary Central Office Area

The central office area in which is located common equipment serving all, or a portion, of the telephones to be alerted and all of the control telephones.

Secondary Central Office Area

A central office area in which common equipment is located to serve additional telephones to be alerted within such central office area, and which is contiguous to the Primary central office area.

C. Terms and Conditions

- 1. The Company will provide all central office facilities for a Group Alerting and Dispatching System. The operation of the equipment and facilities on the customer's premises, or premises designated by the customer, shall be performed by the customer.
- 2. Primary and Secondary central office areas shall be located in an exchange area of the Company or in Company exchange areas, each of which is in the local service area of the other. The common equipment in each Secondary central office area shall be connected to the common equipment in the Primary central office area by one or more channels, the number of channels being dependent on whether a single group arrangement or a multi-group arrangement is used.
- 3. Each telephone to be alerted must be served by common equipment located in the central office area serving such telephone. All control telephones must be served from the common equipment located in Primary central office area.

D. Prices

Service connection, move and change charges do not apply to the equipment and facilities of Group Alerting and Dispatching Systems, nor do service connection charges apply to the connection to such systems of the telephones to be alerted.

Charges do not apply:

- to the equipment or facilities of a system when a single group arrangement is changed to a multi-group arrangement, or vice versa
- to the equipment or facilities which remain in place when a Secondary central office is added to or withdrawn from a system.

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1. GROUP ALERTING AND DISPATCHING SYSTEMS (cont'd)

D. Prices

1. Service Elements

Description Monthly Price /1/ Control Telephones Channels One control channel for use with the initial control telephone is provided without charge The following channels are provided for Series 2000 local service area /2/ channels: additional control channels, alternate control channels, and channels between central office areas Common Equipment Including alarm features, amplifiers, stand-by amplifiers, and battery and ringing supply, each central office: Single group arrangement, 1st unit, 30 numbers /56V/ \$111.90 Multi-group arrangement, 1st unit, 30 numbers /6EF/ 170.75 Each additional unit, single or multi-group arrangement, 10 number capacity /2XD/ 27.70 Additional equipment and facilities Automatic overtone signal, each central office 1st unit, 30 numbers /GL5/ 41.55

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