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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.1 MegaLink Service (Cont'd)

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B.　Definitions (Cont'd)

DS1

This denotes a channel service expressed in terms of its digitally encoded data bit rate in accordance with the North American hierarchy of digital signal levels. It has a 1.544 Mbps transmission data rate, and provides for the two-way simultaneous transmission of isochronous timed, Bipolar Return-to-Zero (BPRZ) bit stream format, except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format. Unframed signal formats are not permitted or compatible with Company equipment. The required format and interface specifications are contained in BellSouth Services Technical Reference Publication 73525.

DIGITAL LOCAL CHANNEL

The term "Digital Local Channel" denotes a path for MegaLink service furnished from the demarcation point on a customer's premises, to their Serving Wire Center.

INTEROFFICE CHANNEL

The term "Interoffice channel" denotes a path (or paths) for digital transmission between Company Serving Wire Centers within a LATA. An interoffice channel may be furnished in such manner as the Company may elect.

C.　Application of Rates

1.　Digital Local Channels furnished between a Serving Wire Center and the customer's premises will be charged at rates based on the first 1/2 mile and each additional 1/2 mile for the airline distance measured between the customer's premises and their Serving Wire Center.

2.　Interoffice Channels furnished between Central Offices will be charged at rates based on airline distance between the Central Offices.

3.　MegaLink service is available on a month-to-month basis or under variable rate periods, with rates based on lengths of 36 months, 60 months[1], or 84 months[1] under conditions specified in the Channel Services Payment Plan in B2.4 except as modified following. Contract rate increases are subject to the stipulations of 4. following.

4.　MegaLink service rates under contract will not be increased by Company initiative until the contract period expires. Rates in effect at the time the service is installed and/or as of the service order application date will be applicable until the contract expires. At the expiration date of the customer's payment period option, the customer may select a new payment period option at current rates or revert to current rates on a month-to-month basis.

5.　A Termination Liability Charge is applicable at the date of termination. The applicable charge is dependent on the contract period subscribed to and will be equal to fifty percent (50%) of the following: the number of months remaining in the contract times the monthly rate provided under the contract. However, Termination Liability charges will not apply for customer requests for moves of service under CSPP subject to the provisions set forth in B2.4.9.A.11. preceding, or for customer requested changes of service under CSPP to Fast Packet Transport Services under the Fast Packet Transport Services Payment Plan, *or to AT&T Ethernet Services under the Ethernet Payment Plan,* subject to the provisions set forth in B2.4.9.A.4.b. (C)

6.　Airline distance between Company central offices shall be developed using the methodology found in B3.3.3. Fractional mileage shall be rounded up to the next full mile.

D.　Connections

1.　Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems may be connected to MegaLink service when such connection is made in accordance with the provision specified in 2., 3., and 4. following.

Note 1:　As of October 1, 2013, payment periods greater than 36 months are no longer available for new or renewing subscribers.