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## A1. DEFINITION OF TERMS

**TIE LINE**

See "Exchange Access Line".

**TIE LINE MILEAGE**

See "Mileage and Zone Charge".

**TOLL ACCESS LINE**

Toll access lines as applied to Selective Class of Call Screening are the facilities by which a subscriber may originate calls which are subject to screening over the message toll network.

**TOLL MESSAGE (LONG DISTANCE MESSAGE)**

See "Message".

**TOLL SERVICE**

See "Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service".

**TOUCH-TONE SERVICE**

See "Exchange Service".

**USAGE RATE SERVICE**

See "Exchange Service".

**USOC (UNIFORM SERVICE ORDER CODE)**

A Company assigned code used on internal records for service identification purposes.

**VARIABLE DIGIT OUT-PULSING**

Permits the dialing of different numbers of digits, on separate calls, to complete a call over the private line facility to a distant location.

**WATS**

See "Wide Area Telecommunications Service".

**WIDE AREA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE<sup>1</sup>**

The furnishing of facilities for dial type telephone communication between a wide area service access line and other exchange and toll station telephones in the area prescribed in the guidebook.

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**WIRE CENTER**

A "Wire Center" is a Company facility that houses Company equipment necessary for the provision of switched and non-switched telephone service to customers in a defined geographical area. The facility is identified with V&H coordinates and is assigned one or more NXX's for use in providing switched services to customers located in the specified geographical area. The Company equipment located at a Wire Center may consist of switching equipment or non-switched equipment working with a distant host switch as well as equipment used to terminate dedicated non-switched services.

**ZONE**

One of a series of specified areas, beyond the base rate area of an exchange, in which service is furnished at rates in addition to base rates. See "Mileage and Zone Charge".

**Note 1:** Effective December 31, 2021, Wide Area Telecommunications Service is withdrawn for residential customers.

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## A119. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - WIDE AREA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE

### A119.1 General

(Obsoleted 8-14-2004, Type 4) Not available for new installations, additions or transfers of service.

- A.** Wide Area Telecommunications Service<sup>4</sup> (WATS) is the furnishing of facilities by the Company, its concurring Local Exchange Carriers and when applicable, an interLATA carrier for dial type telecommunications between a station associated with an exchange access line or a WATS access line and stations using the public switched network within the State of South Carolina in accordance with the terms, conditions and schedule of charges specified in this Guidebook and when applicable, the tariff of the interLATA carrier. The WATS charges set forth in this guidebook and the interLATA carrier's tariffs are in payment for the service furnished between the calling and called stations within South Carolina. Toll Free Dialing (TFD)<sup>4</sup> is the term now used to describe the service formerly known as 800 Service<sup>4</sup>. Currently, Toll Free Dialing Service provides incoming service utilizing 800 and 888 numbers. This service will be expanded, as required, at a later date to include additional 8XX toll free dialing numbers, e.g., 877, 866, 855, etc. For both Outward WATS and Toll Free Dialing Service, intraLATA service may be subscribed to separately or may be subscribed to in combination (Combined WATS) with an interLATA carrier's interLATA WATS or WATS-like service requiring the use of the Company's WATS serving office. Combined Outward WATS and intraLATA Only Outward WATS requires the use of a WATS access line from A119.5.4. Option TFD Service and Open TFD Service<sup>1</sup> can be terminated, at the direction of the customer, on a WATS access line from A119.5.4 or on an exchange access line purchased from the appropriate local exchange offering. See A119.5.20 following, for other applicable charges when terminating on an exchange access line. For the rules, regulations, and rates of the interLATA portion of these services, refer to the interLATA carrier's tariffs.
1. The rates and charges specified herein for WATS provide for a WATS access line. The WATS access line consists of all facilities, including outside plant facilities and premises wiring, from the Company serving central office equipment to the first Company provided jack or outlet of the WATS access line location on the customer's premises.
  2. The rates and charges specified herein for WATS access line extensions provide for a WATS extension station line within the same LATA as the WATS access line.<sup>2</sup>
  3. Charges for Company-provided jacks other than the standard network interface used in association with WATS are specified in Section A14.
- B.** Dial type telecommunications, as specified in A. preceding, for Combined Outward WATS and intraLATA only Outward WATS must be dialed and completed from or to a WATS Access Line. For Option TFD Service and Open TFD Service, service can be completed to a WATS Access Line or an exchange access line. In all cases communications must be completed without the assistance of a Company operator<sup>3</sup>, except that a Company operator will:
1. Re-establish a call which has been interrupted after the called number has been reached.
- C.** A WATS access line or exchange access line for Option TFD Service and Open TFD Service is the transmission path between a WATS termination and the point in the Company Central Office where access to the public switched network is obtained for the purpose of completing WATS calls. The WATS access line will be arranged at the subscriber's option for Outward WATS. Option TFD Service and Open TFD Service, at the direction of the customer, can be terminated on a WATS access line arranged for inward calling only or on an exchange access line. For service terminating on an exchange access line, only one toll free dialing number can be assigned to terminate on any one exchange access number. An exchange access number may include business line or trunk numbers including DID numbers from Section A12. The termination of Toll Free Dialing Service to an existing Outward WATS or Open TFD Service or Option TFD Service telephone number is prohibited. These services are subject to the provisions, terms and conditions outlined herein and in Section A2. A WATS access line may also be provided over an intraLATA High Capacity Channel Service equipped with Outward WATS or Toll Free Dialing Service functionality. See Private Line Guidebook, Section B7. for additional applicable charges. High Capacity Channel Services are available for use by resellers from Section E7. of the Access Service Tariff.

**Note 1:** Open TFD Service subscribers who choose to terminate the toll free dialing number to an exchange access line may elect the Area of Service as either the entire state or the entire United States. The Area of Service for Open TFD Service provided on a WATS Access Line must be the state; it cannot be defined as the entire United States.

**Note 2:** Refer to the interLATA carrier tariff for rates and charges applicable to WATS access line extensions terminated in a LATA other than the WATS access line.

**Note 3:** Due to the technical limitations of certain interLATA carriers' services, operator assistance as specified in A119.1.B.1. cannot be provided with the Combined Outward WATS offered in conjunction with interLATA carriers having these technical limitations.

**Note 4:** Effective December 31, 2021, Wide Area Telecommunications Service (WATS), Toll Free Dialing (TFD), and 800 Service is withdrawn for residential customers. (N)

**A119. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - WIDE AREA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE**

**A119.5 Rates (Cont'd)**

**A119.5.20 Toll Free Dialing<sup>2</sup> Number Service Charges**

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A. Toll Free Dialing Number Service Termination on an Exchange Access Line

1. Business

The following rates apply when Option TFD Service terminates on an Exchange Access Line.

|     |   | <b>Monthly<br/>Rate</b> | <b>Nonrecurring<br/>Charge</b> | <b>USOC</b>  |
|-----|---|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| (a) | Per Toll Free Dialing Number Service Number terminating on an Exchange Access Line, per LATA <sup>1</sup> | <b>\$3.00</b>           | <b>\$10.00</b>                 | <b>WFASX</b> |
| (b) | Per TFD Number record changed   | --                      | <b>15.00</b>                   | <b>REAPT</b> |

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3. Business

The following rates apply when Open TFD Service (Intrastate Only) terminates on an Exchange Access Line.

|     |   |             |              |              |
|-----|---|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| (a) | Per Toll Free Dialing Number Service Number terminating on an Exchange Access Line <sup>1</sup> | <b>3.00</b> | <b>10.00</b> | <b>WSE1X</b> |
| (b) | Per TFD Number record changed   | -           | <b>15.00</b> | <b>REAPT</b> |

4. **(DELETED)**

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**Note 1:** When this service is added to an existing Exchange Access Line, Section A4. and Section A119.5.7 Service Installation Charges do not apply. When this service is ordered in conjunction with the new connection of an Exchange Access Line, appropriate Service Charges in Section A4. apply to the Exchange Access Line only.

**Note 2:** Effective December 31, 2021, Toll Free Dialing is withdrawn for residential customers.

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**A119. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - WIDE AREA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE**

**A119.5 Rates (Cont'd)**

**A119.5.20 Toll Free Dialing<sup>2</sup> Number Service Charges (Cont'd)**

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**A. Toll Free Dialing Number Service Termination on an Exchange Access Line (Cont'd)**

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|  | <b>Rate</b>   | <b>Charge</b>  | <b>USOC</b>  |
|--|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| 5. Business  |               |                |              |
| The following rates apply when Open TFD Service (Interstate) terminates on an exchange line. |               |                |              |
| (a) Per Toll Free Dialing Number Service Number terminating on an exchange line <sup>1</sup> | <b>\$3.00</b> | <b>\$10.00</b> | <b>WSG1X</b> |
| (b) Per TFD Number record changed  | -             | <b>15.00</b>   | <b>REAPT</b> |

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**B. Variable Call Destination Rates**

1. The following rates apply when an Area of Service greater than one LATA is selected. It provides for multiple terminations (one ten digit telephone number per LATA) of Option TFD Service.

|                                       |             |              |            |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| (a) Per TFD Number record established | <b>2.00</b> | <b>10.00</b> | <b>E8H</b> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|

**Note 1:** When this service is added to an existing Exchange Access Line, Section A4. and A119.5.7 Service Installation Charges do not apply. When this service is ordered in conjunction with the new connection of an Exchange Access Line, appropriate Service Charges in Section A4. apply to the Exchange Access Line only. Section A4. charges will never apply to the Option TFD Service or Open TFD Service.

**Note 2:** Effective December 31, 2021, Toll Free Dialing is withdrawn for residential customers.

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