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E5.2 Access Order (Cont'd)

E5.2.7 Shared Use Facilities

Shared Use (i.e. BellSouth SWA and BellSouth Expanded Interconnection services provided over Special Access (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA)) is allowed. All Shared Use facilities will be ordered and provided as Special Access (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA). While Shared Use is allowed, individual services utilizing these facilities must be ordered as BellSouth SWA, Special Access (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA) or Virtual Access Cross Connect, Physical Access Cross Connect, or Intra-Office Collocation Cross Connect Service. When placing the order for individual service (s) the customer must specify a channel assignment for each service ordered. Shared Use of BellSouth SWA facilities (i.e. Special Access (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA provided over BellSouth SWA) is not allowed.

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BellSouth SWA Service to Cellular Interconnections

For BellSouth SWA FGA, BellSouth SWA FGB, BellSouth SWA FGD, BellSouth SWA TSBSA and BellSouth SWA TSBSA 3 service provided to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Company access tandem office, the customer shall provide information to the Company indicating the NXX code(s) to be accessed.

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E6. BELLSOUTH SWA SERVICE

E6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

E6.7.13 Mileage Measurement (Cont'd)

- C. Exceptions to the mileage measurement rules are as follows: (Cont'd)
 - 4. When terminating BellSouth SWA FGC and BellSouth SWA TSBSA service is provided from multiple IC terminal location to an end office not equipped with measurement capabilities the total BellSouth SWA Transport access minutes for that end office will be apportioned among the trunk groups accessing the end office on the basis of the individual capacity (i.e. trunks) ordered for each of those trunk groups. This apportionment will serve as the basis for BellSouth SWA Transport mileage calculation. The IC will be billed accordingly.
 - 5. The BellSouth SWA Transport mileage for BellSouth SWA FGB, BellSouth SWA FGD, BellSouth SWA TSBSA 1 and 3 service provided to Mobile Telephone Serving Offices (MTSOs) interconnected to a Company access tandem office will be determined on airline basis, using the V&H coordinate method. The mileage measured will be that between the Company access tandem office serving the Mobile Telephone Service Office (MTSO) and the IC's serving wire center.

E6.7.14 Shared Use

- A. When a BellSouth SWA service is provided over the same Special Access (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA) facility through a common interface, the facility will be ordered, provided, and rated only as Special Access (BellSouth SPA) service as set forth in 7.4.8 following. Shared use of BellSouth SWA facilities (i.e., Special Access (a.k.a BellSouth SPA) services provided over Bellsouth SWA facilities) is not allowed

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E6. BELLSOUTH SWA SERVICE**E6.7 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)****E6.7.14 Shared Use (Cont'd)**

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E6.7.15 Facility Hubs

- A. An IC has the option of ordering digital high capacity facilities (i.e., DS1, or DS3) to a Facility Hub for channelizing to individual services requiring lower capacity facilities.
- B. Different locations may be designed as Hubs for different facility capacities, e.g., channelization from digital to digital may occur at one location while channelization from digital to analog may occur at a different location. When ordering, the IC will specify the desired channelization Hub(s) selected from the NECA No. 4. This tariff identifies the type(s) of channelization functions, which are available, and the Company serving wire centers at which they are available. For additional information on Facility Hubs refer to E7.4.7 *of this Tariff*.

E6.7.16 (DELETED)**E6.7.17 Reserved for Future Use****E6.7.18 Shared Network Arrangement**

- A. Shared Network Arrangement provides for multiple ICs to connect their individual services on channelized High Capacity Service. These service configurations will be limited to DS3 Service ICs sharing capacity with other sub-DS3 service ICs and/or DS1 Service ICs sharing capacity with other sub-DS1 ICs. Regulations for Shared Network Arrangements are described in E5.4 *of this Tariff*.
- B. A one-time coordination charge will be assessed with the establishment of a Shared Network Arrangement. In addition to the coordination charge, a separate nonrecurring charge will apply to each service order on a shared network account. Applicable nonrecurring charges apply as set forth in E6.8.10 following.

E6.7.19 Information Surcharge

- A. The Information Surcharge is a charge to recover those costs not directly associated with the provision of intrastate information. (i.e. directory white pages)
- B. The Information Surcharge is assessed to the IC based on the IC's total number of access minutes. The rates are set forth in E6.8.6 following.

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E7. SPECIAL ACCESS (A.K.A. BELLSOUTH SPA) SERVICE

E7.1 General (Cont'd)

E7.1.2 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

F. Self-healing Multi-nodal Alternate Route Topology Ring (SMARTRing¹ service [a.k.a. BellSouth Dedicated Ring]) (Cont'd)

6. Alternate Central Office Channel

The Alternate Central Office Channel provides for the communications path between a customer node and an alternate central office. It is available with all capacities of SMARTRing service (a.k.a. BellSouth Dedicated Ring) except OC-1.

7. Interoffice Channel

The Interoffice Channel provides for the communications path between directly connected Telephone Company central offices located on a SMARTRing service (a.k.a. BellSouth Dedicated Ring). It is available with all capacities of SMARTRing service (a.k.a. BellSouth Dedicated Ring) except OC-1. This rate element does not apply where Central Office Nodes are adjacently connected in the same Central Office on the same SMARTRing service (a.k.a. BellSouth Dedicated Ring) for the purpose of providing additional node capacity.

8. Internodal Channel

The Internodal Channel provides for the communications path between two directly connected Customer Nodes of a given SMARTRing service (a.k.a. BellSouth Dedicated Ring) located (a) in the same Serving Wire Center area or (b) in the same Office Park/Campus Environment or contiguous property, located in contiguous Serving Wire Center areas. It is available with all capacities of SMARTRing service (a.k.a. BellSouth Dedicated Ring) except OC-1. This rate element does not apply where Customer Nodes are adjacently connected in the same building on the same SMARTRing service (a.k.a. BellSouth Dedicated Ring) for the purpose of providing additional node capacity.

9. Channel Interface Capacity Reallocation

Channel Interface Capacity Reallocation allows the customer to reallocate STS-1, DS3 capacity interfaces at each node subsequent to the initial service installation.

G. Access Collocation Cross-Connects

Access Collocation Cross-Connects provide a means for customers to interconnect their Shared Use and Digital High Capacity (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA High Capacity) to Central Office Collocation arrangements within the same Central Office. Terms, conditions, and rates for Physical Access Collocation Cross-Connects and Virtual Access Collocation Cross-Connects are set forth in Section E13. of this Tariff. (D)

Note 1: Effective on or after December 1, 2021, neither new nor existing customers will be permitted to purchase new SMARTRing Service (Service). In addition, (A) Service Payment Plans greater than 12-months in length will no longer be available; and (B) requests to move, add, change, upgrade, or downgrade existing service arrangements will not be accepted, with the following exceptions: (1) existing customers will be permitted to modify their existing Service and will be able to add new circuits to their existing Service, but will not be permitted to add new nodes in any locations; and (2) any such new circuits will be subject to the customer's existing term payment plan or term agreement for the Service to which they are added. Following the expiration of a customer's existing term agreement, Service will be provided on a month-to-month basis at the applicable Month-to-Month rates until the Service is discontinued.

Effective November 30, 2023, unless specified to the contrary in their existing Service agreements, existing customers may not renew Term Payment Plans or term agreements for Service. In addition, no move, add, or change orders of any type will be accepted.

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E7.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

E7.4.7 Facility Hubs (Cont'd)

Cascading channelization occurs when a high capacity analog or digital channel is channelized to provide channels with a lesser capacity and one of the lesser capacity channels is further channelized.

When cascading channelization is performed, whether in the same or a different Hub, a charge for the additional Basic Channelization System and Central Office Channel Interface(s) also applies. A DS1 Basic Channelization System and DDAS² (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA DS0 Digital Data) Central Office Channel Interface are required for high speed or low speed DDAS² (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA DS0 Digital Data) activations when channelized from a DS1 (1.544 Mbps) channel. A DS0 Basic Channelization System² and Subrate Central Office Channel Interface² are required for subrate² activations of 2.4, 4.8 and 9.6 Kbps when channelized from a DS0² (64 Kbps) channel. When cascading channelization is performed at different Hubbing locations, Interoffice Channel charges also apply between the Hubs.

A customer can order service(s) between customer designated premises and a hub and will be billed accordingly at the rates set forth in E7.5.5 following for the service, as appropriate. The customer will be charged for each such connection made at the rates for Other Labor as set forth in E13.2.5 following. The rates that apply for the service between each customer designated premises and the hub are a Local Channel and Interoffice Channel, if applicable.

E7.4.8 Shared Use Analog and Digital High Capacity (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA High Capacity) Services

Shared use occurs when Special Access (a.k.a BellSouth SPA) service and BellSouth SWA service are provided over the same High Capacity Special Access facility through a common interface. The Special Access monthly rate for the Local Channel, Interoffice Channel, if applicable Basic Channelization System and Central Office Channel Interface (s) will apply, regardless of whether any individual channels of the shared Special Access (BellSouth SPA) facility are used for Special Access (BellSouth SPA) service, BellSouth SWA service, or any other type of service. The practice known as "ratcheting" (to apply non-Special Access rates on a proportional basis) shall not apply in any circumstance.

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Note 2: Effective June 30, 2021, this Service will no longer be available for purchase by new or existing customers. In addition, requests to move, add, change, or renew existing service arrangements will not be accepted. Following the expiration of a customer's existing term agreement, service will be provided on a month-to-month basis at the applicable Monthly rates until the service is discontinued. The Company currently plans to discontinue this service on or after June 30, 2024.

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E7.4.9 Multijurisdictional WATS Access Line¹ (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA WATS Line) "1+" and "0" IntraLATA Usage

"1+" and "0" intraLATA usage carried over outward WATS Access Lines (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA WATS Line) from this Tariff, having both intra and interstate capability (multijurisdictional) and provided from the BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Tariff FCC No. 1 or other appropriate Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) interstate tariff, will be completed over LEC facilities at LEC intraLATA outward WATS rates and subject to rules and regulations applicable to LEC intraLATA outward WATS. Subscribers using a multijurisdictional access line for BellSouth SWA 8XX Toll Free Dialing Ten Digit Screening Service may choose either the Company or the interexchange carrier to complete and bill intraLATA calls according to the appropriate rates, rules and regulations. The "1+" and "0" intraLATA usage will be billed to the customer (end user or IC) where the closed end of the Multijurisdictional WATS Access Line (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA WATS Line) is terminated. Customer billing information must be provided to the Company at the time the Multijurisdictional WATS Access Line (a.k.a. BellSouth SPA WATS Line) is ordered when the Company is used to complete intraLATA calls.

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