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B5.1 General

- All rates and charges set forth in this *Guidebook* provide for the furnishing of service where suitable facilities are available. Where special construction of channel facilities is necessary, special charges may apply.
- **A.** Special charges in the form of installation charges, monthly charges, and termination charges based on term contracts or a combination thereof may be applied in addition to all rates and charges quoted in the other sections of this *Guidebook* when because of the sporadic or occasional nature of the service or an unusual investment or expense, the revenue does not reasonably compensate the Company as for example:
 - 1. The facilities are provided in remote or undeveloped sections outside the base rate area.
 - Conditions require the provision of special equipment or unusual methods of plant construction, installation or maintenance.
 - 3. The customer's location requires the use of costly private right-of-way.
- **B.** Construction charges may also apply under the terms and conditions of the General *Exchange Guidebook*.
- C. The maximum termination charge is equal to the cost installed, less net salvage of the specially constructed facilities provided. Cost installed includes cost of equipment and materials specifically provided or used, plus the cost installing, including engineering, labor, supervision, transportation, rights of way and any other items which are chargeable to the capital accounts.
 - 1. In the event a customer enters into a termination charge agreement and:
 - a. All services involved in the construction are disconnected within the contract period a termination charge applies to the extent there is no other requirement for the constructed facilities in place. The amount of the termination charge is pro rata amount for the unexpired portion of the contract period of the costs of the non-reusable facilities.
 - b. One or more, but not all of the services involved in the construction are discontinued within the contract period, the lower of the following charges applies during the unexpired portion of the contract period for each such discontinued service:
 - (1) The monthly charge for each local channel, interexchange channel and intraexchange channel section of each basic service which has been provided in whole or in part by construction, or
 - (2) The monthly charge for the constructed portion of such local channel, interexchange channel or intraexchange channel section. In determining the charge for such constructed portion, rates and mileage measurements are applied between the points of termination of such portion of each basic service.
- **D.** Where a customer is so located that it is necessary to use private right of way to furnish a service and the Company is unable to obtain the required right of way without cost, the customer may be required to pay the entire costs involved in securing such right of way.
- E. When attachments are made to poles of other companies, the customer may be required to pay the additional cost to the Company of such attachments.
- **F.** Except as specified in B5.3 and the conduit or pipe provided by the customer as in B5.2.C, title to all construction provided wholly or partly at a customer's expense is vested in the Company and the customer may be required to execute a conveyance thereof in favor of the Company.
- **G.** Construction charges are payable at the time application for service is signed or when the account is rendered, at the option of the Company.

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B5.1 General (Cont'd)

H. Special Equipment And Arrangements

Special equipment and arrangements requested by customers are furnished wherever possible, if not detrimental to the service.

For special equipment and arrangements furnished in connection with private line service, charges equivalent to the estimated cost of furnishing such equipment or arrangements apply. Estimated cost consists of an estimate of the following items to the extent that they are applicable:

- 1. Cost of maintenance.
- 2. Cost of operation.
- 3. Depreciation on the estimated cost installed of any facilities provided, based on the anticipated useful service life of the facilities with an appropriate allowance for the estimated net salvage.
- 4. Administration, taxes and uncollectible revenue on the basis of reasonable average charges for these items.
- 5. Any other specific items of expense associated with the particular situation.
- 6. A reasonable amount, computed on the estimated cost installed of any facilities provided, for return and contingencies.

Estimated cost installed as mentioned in B5.1.H.3. and 6. preceding includes the cost of equipment and material specifically provided or used plus the estimated cost of installing, including engineering, labor, supervision, transportation, rights-of-way and any other items which are chargeable to the capital accounts.

I. Rearrangement of Existing Plant

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- 1. When the Company is requested to move or change existing plant for which no specific charge is quoted in this Guidebook, the person at whose request such move or change is made may be required to bear the costs incurred.
- 2. Where by statute, ordinance or other legal requirement, existing aerial facilities are required to be relocated underground, the Company will charge the net cost attributable to such relocation to the local exchange subscribers located within the political subdivision or area affected by such statute, ordinance or other legal requirement.

B5.2 Special Types Of Construction

- A. Where a special type of construction is necessary because of unusual conditions or is desired by a customer, as when underground construction is desired in places where aerial facilities would normally be used to reach customer's premises, or when conditions imposed by a customer make the installation exceptionally expensive, an additional charge will be made equal to the difference between the cost of the special type of construction and the cost of normal construction. The customer, however, may provide conduit or pipe subject to approval by the Company, in which case no additional charge will be made for the initial installation of wire or cable therein.
 - 1. Ownership of such conduit is vested in the customer and necessary replacements shall be made by him.
 - 2. The duct or ducts required in the underground conduit by the Company to furnish service shall be reserved for its
- **B.** Where facilities are changed from aerial to underground, the customer is charged the cost of the underground facilities and for the cost of dismantling and moving the aerial facilities. Repair or replacements of cable in conduit or trench made necessary by damages caused by the customer or his representatives will be made only at the customer's expense.
- C. Construction Provided By Connecting Companies

The charges to the customer for special construction provided by a connecting or other participating company of the Company will be based on the charges of the connecting or other participating company.

B5.3 Poles On Private Property

A. Poles to be used in serving only a particular customer and located on his premises shall in all cases be furnished and maintained by him or at his expense and shall conform to the Company's specifications. Ownership of such poles on private property is vested in the customer and necessary pole replacements shall be made by him.

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- B. Poles on private property to be used to serve more than one customer or to be used as a part of the standard distributing plant serving customers in general are furnished, maintained and owned by the Company, subject to such construction charge as
- Circuits on poles on private property are furnished, owned and maintained by the Company.
- **B5.4 Reserved For Future Use**
- **B5.5 Reserved For Future Use**
- B5.6 (DELETED)

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