

Schedule No. A-8

LINE EXTENSION AND SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGES IN SUBURBAN AREAS

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to charges for line extensions and service connections in addition to line extension and service connection provisions of Rule No. 14.

TERRITORY

Within the exchange area, as said area is defined on map filed as part of the tariff schedules.

RATES (See Special Conditions No. 1 through 6)

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- | | <u>Charge</u> |
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| 1. Aerial, or at Utility's option, underground reinforcement to plant along existing exchange or suitable toll telephone circuits of this Utility. | No Charge |
| 2. Aerial, or at Utility's option, underground extension to plant beyond existing exchange or suitable toll circuits of this Utility: | |
| a. Not applicable to subdivisions or real estate developments; see Special Condition No. 7. | |
| b. Free Footage Allowance:
The Utility will construct at its expense a maximum of 1,000 feet of line extension and service connection per applicant, the combination of which includes not more than 300 feet of service connection on private property. | No Charge |
| c. Extensions to Plant Exceeding Free Footage Allowance:
First 100 feet or fraction thereof of line extension and/or service connection. | \$ 50.00 |
| Each additional foot or fraction thereof of line extension and/or service connection. | 1.10 |
| d. Income tax gross-up as listed in Rule No. 3 under the Special Construction of Facilities section. | |

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. General:

- a. Charges under this schedule are for abnormally long plant extensions to prevent unreasonably burdening the general body of existing customers.
- b. Charges in this schedule are:
 - 1. Applicable to aerial and underground facilities, whether Utility or jointly owned or rented, and to all classes, types and grades of service.
 - 2. Not applicable to new speculative subdivisions and real estate developments (Special Condition 7); or to farmer lines, toll station service and tree-contact-type construction.
- c. In lieu of the charges under this schedule for excess footage, applicant may, for that excess, clear the right-of-way, furnish and set the poles where aerial construction is employed, or furnish and install the underground supporting structure, all in accordance with the Utility's construction specifications; the Utility in that case will furnish and install the fixtures and wire or cable at its expense. Ownership of facilities so provided by applicant shall be vested in the Utility, except that underground supporting structures for service connections on private property shall be owned and maintained by the customer (see Rule No. 14, E.2a.2).
- d. Charges under this schedule are payable in advance and, except as described in Special Conditions 6 and 7 below, are not refundable.

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2. Route, Type and Measurement of Line Extensions and Service Connections:

- a. The line extension and service connection distance (excluding the length of aerial drop wire, if any) for determining free footage and charge is measured from the point of connection at the existing distribution facility to the point of connection with the SNI device at the building being served. The free footage portion on private property, 300 feet maximum, is deducted from the total free footage to determine the remaining free footage along public roads. (See Special Condition 4b.2).
- b. Where the proposed route over private property will be part of the route to serve two or more customers, or where, at the Utility's option, the route will be on private property rather than on public roads, such routes will be treated as being on public roads.

3. Collective Application and Grouping of Applicants:

- a. When construction is required to serve a new applicant, a survey is made of all prospects who might be served from the new construction or an extension thereof and who might benefit by being included in the project. Allowances are made only for those prospective customers making bona-fide applications for service.
- b. All applicants are grouped in a single project when there is no more than one-half mile of construction between successive applicants. Separate projects are established whenever the construction between any two successive applicants exceeds one-half mile. Two or more projects are combined, however, whenever this results in lower charges (or no increase in charges) for all of the applicants involved.
- c. An applicant at any premises receives only a single line extension allowance regardless of the number of services ordered at that premises.

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3. Collective Application and Grouping of Applicants - Continued

d. Where an applicant orders service at more than one premise, he is treated as being a separate applicant at each premise for purposes of this schedule.

4. Apportionment of Charges To Group of Applicants:

a. Applicants are divided into two groups. The first group includes all applicants whose collective allowance equals or exceeds the construction required to serve them. No charge is made to such applicants. The second group includes all remaining applicants on the project. The over-all charge for the project is divided equally among all applicants in the second group.

b. Exceptions:

1. No applicant is required to pay a higher charge than he would if the project were established for him alone. Any difference between this charge and the average charge for the group is absorbed by the Utility.

2. Charges for extensions to plant on private property are assumed by applicants on whose property such extensions are made and these charges are not included in the over-all charges for the project. Likewise, the free footage allowance on private property is not included in the collective allowance for the project.

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5. Charges to Subsequent Applicants:

- a. When a new applicant is secured who can be served from a completed project, within three years from the date service was initially established for such project, the charges for the entire project are recomputed to include the new applicant. The new applicant pays a prorate of the line extension charge based upon the number of months (a fraction of a month is counted as a full month) remaining in the original three-year term, the time to be computed from the date service is established for the new applicant.
- b. Where additional construction is required for an applicant to be served from a project less than three years old, the cost of the project is recomputed as above if such recomputation does not increase the charges to those customers served from the existing project. Otherwise, a new project will be established.

6. Adjustment in Charges When Additional Applicants are Connected:

- a. When a project is recomputed as described in Special Condition 5 above, existing customers will be refunded a prorate of the difference between the original charges and the recomputed charges, based on the remainder of the three-year term. Recomputation of charges due to the addition of new applicants is made on the assumption that there have been no disconnects.
- b. In the event the Utility attaches interexchange toll facilities to an aerial line extension within the three-year period, the Utility will refund a prorated amount to cover the unexpired portion of the line extension charges for that part of the line extension facilities so used.
- c. If within three years of completion of the original project, construction on private property is treated as being on public roads, or if a private road is dedicated to public use, the line extension charges shall be recomputed and refunds made to the initial applicants where applicable.

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7. Line Extensions to Serve New Speculative Subdivisions or Real Estate Developments in Their Entirety:

a. Where requested and permissible, aerial facilities to and within real estate developments will be provided under the following conditions:

1. The applicant, in addition to any labor or material to be furnished by him, will pay in advance the estimated total cost of the Utility's construction. Any difference between the amount advanced and the actual cost shall be advanced or refunded, as the case may be, within 60 days after completion of the Utility's construction.

2. When, within the first three-year period after completion of construction, the subdivision density requirement has been met, the Utility will refund the advance in (1) above. If, at the end of the three-year period the subdivision density requirement has not been met, the Utility will refund that portion of the advance proportional to the ratio of the then permanent main telephone and P.B.X. trunk line terminations density to the subdivision density requirement. No interest will be paid on such advances.

b. Where underground facilities are to be constructed to and within new speculative subdivisions or real estate developments, line extensions and service connections will be provided in accordance with Rule No. 14.

8. Disconnects:

When one or more customers on a project disconnect within the three-year term, no refund is made of the line extension charge to the disconnected customers. Charges to remaining customers are not affected by disconnects.

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9. Re-Use Facilities:

- a. When a customer disconnects service or moves off the project and service is established for a new applicant at the same location, any adjustment in charges is a matter for negotiation between the original customer and the new applicant.
- b. Where a customer is disconnected for any reason and subsequently reapplies for service from the same premises, the customer will not be required to pay any additional line extension charges in addition to his total original obligation.
- c. Where a customer has paid line extension charges for service at a premises on a given project and subsequently applies for service at a different premises on the same project, the customer will not be assessed additional line extension charges greater than his original obligation unless additional construction is required.

10. Contracts:

Contracts, covering periods of not to exceed three years of telephone service, may be required by the Utility as a condition precedent to establishment of the service when line extensions are necessary. Such contracts will not require advance or unusual payments in excess of those otherwise required by this schedule, and shall not interfere with the Utility's right to collect amounts as provided for elsewhere in its tariff schedules.

11. Saving Clause:

In exceptional circumstances, when the application of this schedule appears impracticable or unjust, the Utility or the applicant may refer the matter to the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California for special ruling or for approval of mutually agreed upon special conditions prior to commencing construction.

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