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Telephone Company

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CONSTRUCTION AND ATTACHMENT CHARGES

GENERAL

The rates otherwise provided for in this tariff are based on furnishing service immediately adjacent to existing lines and facilities of the Telephone Company and on the use of lines and facilities engineered and constructed according to common and accepted practices. When service is desired at points somewhat removed from existing lines and facilities, or when abnormal and unusual arrangements and installations are desired, such service and installations are subject to additional charges as prescribed hereunder.

CONSTRUCTION ON PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

In all cases of plant construction on public highway, ownership of the plant must be vested in either the Telephone Company or some company with which the Telephone Company has a joint use agreement.

When local exchange service is desired at a point outside the base rate area but within the exchange area more than 1,320 feet distant from then existing facilities, the applicant therefor may be required to pay for this construction or use of another company's plant in lieu of such construction as follows:

For each 100 feet, or fraction thereof, required to make the necessary extension beyond the first 1,320 feet, route measurement, from the existing lines, the charge will be actual cost not to exceed \$.50 per foot. (C)

Measurement to be restricted to the shortest and most direct route over which the desired point can be reached by following public right-of-way or other vested right-of-way privileges which the Telephone Company may hold by reason of its franchise or charter, including public thoroughfares such as highways, streets and public alleys.

CONSTRUCTION ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

In all cases of plant construction on private property, where the type of construction is selected by the Telephone Company, the Telephone Company will construct, own and maintain its facilities, either wholly or jointly with an electric utility, subject to a construction charge based on route measurement as follows:

First 500 feet of construction - no charge.  
Additional construction - actual cost not to exceed \$.50 per foot.

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CONSTRUCTION ON PRIVATE PROPERTY (cont'd)

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Where the customer requests or a governmental authority requires a type of construction different from that selected by the Telephone Company, a charge will be made to cover the excess cost of construction above that selected by the telephone company.

The Telephone Company shall have access to all facilities at all times for maintenance purposes.

Where applicant is so located that it is necessary to use a private right-of-way to furnish service, the subscriber is required to pay the entire cost involved in securing such right-of-way.

OTHER SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION

When some special or abnormal installation or arrangement of facilities is desired, such as underground construction or concealed wiring, the applicant may be required to furnish at his own expense all necessary conduits, outlets and other fixtures. The Telephone Company will install and maintain its facilities in such conduits and fixtures, provided they are constructed in such a manner as to meet the Telephone Company's needs and approval.

MINIMUM CONTRACT

New construction will be provided only where service is contracted for a minimum period of one year.

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REFUNDS

If at any time within three years from date of completed construction, pole lines for which a subscriber has paid a non-recurring charge are used for other purposes, such subscribers may be entitled to refunds as follows, provided they are still served by such construction:

If such lines are used to carry toll lines of the Telephone Company, the refund will be prorated to cover the unexpired portion of the original three year period for that part of the pole line so used.

When such lines are used to supply local exchange service to other subscribers, the refund will be the difference between the original charge and that subscriber's pro rata share of the total construction, allowing 1,320 feet for each main station for that pole line.

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UNDERGROUND SERVICE IN RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

All Telephone service shall be placed underground in residential developments of 5 or more adjoining lots in a recorded plan for the construction of single-family residence (detached or otherwise) including mobile homes intended for year-around occupancy, or one or more adjoining lots for the construction of one or more apartment houses containing an aggregate of five or more family units, if telephone service to such residential or apartment house lots necessitates extending the company's existing distribution lines.

A. A developer shall:

- (1) At his own cost, provide the company with easements satisfactory to the company for occupancy and maintenance of distribution and service lines and related facilities except in public ways which the company has the legal right to occupy.
- (2) At his own cost, clear the ground in which the aforesaid line and related facilities are to be laid, of trees, stumps and other obstructions, and provide trench for such lines according to telephone company specifications, and backfill within six inches of final grade or pay such related costs that may be incurred to include telephone lines in a common trench with other utility services.
- (3) Request the installation of distribution and service lines at such time that the lines may be installed before curbs, pavements and sidewalks are laid; keep the route of lines clear of machinery and other obstructions when the line installation crew is scheduled to appear; and otherwise cooperate with the company to avoid unnecessary costs.
- (4) Place with the telephone company, in advance or upon such other terms as the company may require, the following charges:
  - (a) A prepayment in aid of construction in an amount not in excess of 60% of the company's costs of the distribution cable for the development.
  - (b) Such prepayment in aid of construction will be refunded on a proportionate basis for each contract for telephone service received. The basis of total refund shall be 100 percent refund upon receipt of telephone contracts for telephone service from 50 percent of the total development within a ten-year period.

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UNDERGROUND SERVICE IN RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS (cont'd)

- B. If the developer fails to comply with Paragraph A(2) or (3) or changes the plot plan after installation of the telephone company's lines has begun, or otherwise necessitates additional costs by his act or failure to act, such additional costs shall be borne by the developer or his agent.
- C. All distribution and service lines, except pedestals, installed within a development shall be installed underground; shall conform to the company's construction standards; and shall be owned and maintained by the company. Such installations shall be performed by the company or by such other entity as the company may authorize to do the work. The company shall not be liable for injury or damage occasioned by the wilful or negligent excavation, breakage or other interference with its underground lines by other than its own employees or agents.

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