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CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

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### CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

#### 5.1 Construction Charges

##### 5.1.1 General

- a. Special charges in the form of installation charges, monthly charges, or both, are applied in addition to the usual service connection charges and monthly rates, when, because of the occasional nature of the service or an unusual investment of expense, the revenue does not reasonably compensate the Company, as for example:
  - (1) The facilities are provided on a temporary basis.
  - (2) 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 right-of-way.
- b. Title to all construction, provided wholly or partly as a customer's expense, is vested in the Company.
- c. The word "cost," when used in this Section, means the implant cost consisting of labor, engineering, materials, supervision, and other overhead expenses associated with the construction. Estimated cost will be used; however, where the customer requests, actual cost will be used where practicable.
- d. When attachments are made to poles of other companies in lieu of providing new pole line construction for which construction charges would be applicable under the provisions of this Section, the attachment rental charges to the Company for such attachments may be assessed to the applicant(s) in whole or in part as the particular circumstances may warrant.
- e. Except as otherwise provided herein, the regulations in this tariff contemplate that the type of construction required to provide the quantity and class of service involved will be determined by the Company. The applicant may be required to pay the additional costs involved where a different type of construction than that proposed by the Company is desired.

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#### 5.1 Construction Charges (Continued)

##### 5.1.1 General (Continued)

- f. When an applicant is so located that it is necessary to use private right-of-way to furnish service and the Company is unable to obtain the required right-of-way without cost, the applicant may be required to pay the costs incurred in securing, clearing, and retaining such right-of-way.
- g. Construction charges will not apply to the customer's station installation which includes the aerial drop which extends from the last pole to the building in which the telephone is located.
- h. No construction charge is applicable for the provision of construction on public highways or other easements within the base rate area, or beyond the base rate area when such construction is to be used in serving customers with the grade and class of telephone service normally offered in a given area.

##### 5.1.2 Construction on Private Property

###### a. Pole Line Construction

- (1) No construction charge is made for the provision of new pole line construction on private property, either within or without the base rate area, when such pole line is to be used in serving customers in general. Ownership and maintenance of such poles on private property is vested in the Company.
- (2) Except as provided in (1) foregoing and (3) following, poles on private property will be furnished by the Company at a charge to the customer(s) equal to the cost of each such pole; however, the Company will furnish as many as two poles without charge per customer(s) provided that the pole thus furnished are used to carry central office circuits. Ownership and maintenance of such poles is vested in the Company.
  - (a) In lieu of the arrangements specified above, the customer may, at his own expense, provide all poles on private property necessary to serve him. Ownership and maintenance of such poles on private property is vested in the customer.

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#### 5.1 Construction Charges (Continued)

##### 5.1.2 Construction on Private Property (Continued)

###### a. Pole Line Construction (Continued)

- (3) Where for the purpose of furnishing extension lines, it is necessary to lay underground conduit, to trench, or to set poles on the customer's premises, the customer is required to provide and install such underground conduit, to dig and backfill trenches, and to provide and erect such poles or the Company will perform the work at the customer's expense. Where the work is performed by the customer, it must be in accordance with the specifications of the Company. In such situations, conduit, trenching, poles or other supporting structure required for central office circuits will be furnished by or at the expense of the customer. Thus, ownership and maintenance of all supporting structure on private property is vested in the customer.
- (4) Where poles are provided inside the base rate area under the provisions described in (1) or (2) preceding, the Company will furnish and maintain the necessary circuits. In case poles are provided on private property outside the base rate area, the necessary circuits will be furnished and maintained by the Company; however, the customer may be required to bear all or a part of the construction cost of the circuits where the revenue is not expected to be sufficient to insure, within a reasonable time, an adequate return on the necessary investment. Where poles or other supporting structure are provided under (3) preceding the Company will furnish and maintain the necessary circuits.

###### b. Buried Construction

Where buried construction is furnished instead of pole line construction, at the expressed desire of the applicant, the principles applicable in a. above are followed and an allowance of 300 feet of buried construction will be made in lieu of the specified pole allowance.

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### CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

#### 5.1 Construction Charges (Continued)

##### 5.1.3 Underground Service Entrances

###### a. General

- (1) Underground service entrances may be provided at the customer's request as special construction in connection with either existing or new services in lieu of the usual aerial drop wire.
- (2) Buried service entrance facilities will be furnished without a construction charge where buried service wire or buried cable would normally be provided by the Company for service entrance.

###### b. Conditions

- (1) Where cable is laid in conduit, the underground conduit shall be constructed and maintained by or at the expense of the customer and in addition, the customer shall pay the cost of the underground cable – including the cost of installing – less the estimated cost to the Company of installing such aerial facilities as would be (or are) required to furnish the same service. The underground conduit shall be constructed in accordance with plans and specifications furnished by the Company.
- (2) The duct or ducts required in the underground conduit by the Company to furnish service shall be reserved for its exclusive use.

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#### 5.1 Construction Charges (Continued)

##### 5.1.3 Underground Service Entrances (Continued)

###### b. Conditions (Continued)

- (3) Where armored cable is laid in a trench, the trench shall be constructed and backfilled by or at the expense of the customer. In addition, the customer shall pay the cost of the cable – including the cost of installing – less the estimated cost to the Company of installing such aerial drop as would be (or is) required to furnish the same service.
- (4) Cable or wire installed in conduit will be maintained and replaced at the expense of the Company where the conduit has been inspected in place by the Company and approved, but repairs or replacements of cable or wire in conduit not so inspected and approved, or repairs or replacements of cable or wire in conduit or trench made necessary by damages caused by the customer or his representative will be made only at the customer's expense.
- (5) Where facilities are changed from aerial to underground, in addition to the above, the customer is charged the cost of dismantling and removing the aerial facilities.

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### CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

#### 5.1 Construction Charges (Continued)

##### 5.1.4 Special Types of Construction

When a special type of construction other than those covered proceeding is desired by a customer or where the individual requirements of a particular situation make the construction unusually expensive, the customer is required to bear the excess cost of such construction. Any special maintenance expense that may, from time to time, occur will be borne by the customer.

##### 5.1.5 Rearrangement of Existing Plant

When the Company is requested to move or change existing plant for which no specific charge is quoted in this Tariff, the person at whose request such move or change is made may be required to bear the costs incurred.

##### 5.1.6 Construction Required for Temporary Service

When construction is required for temporary service and there is no immediate prospect of reusing the plant provided, the customer may be required to bear all or a portion of the cost of such construction, plus the estimated cost of removal of the plant, minus net salvage.

#### 5.2 Charges for Unusual Installations

##### 5.2.1 Installation of Interior Wire

###### a. Inside Wiring

- (1) Except as provided in b. below, the use of exposed wiring is the standard method of wiring all buildings. When concealed wiring is desired, the applicant may be charged the difference between the expense incurred by the Company in providing the concealed wiring and the expense which would otherwise be incurred for exposed wiring.
- (2) Where, due to the type of construction of the building occupied by an applicant or the conditions imposed by the applicant, abnormal expense is incurred by the Company, the applicant shall be required to pay the difference between the expense incurred by the Company and the expense which would normally have been incurred for the installation.

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#### 5.2 Charges for Unusual Installations (Continued)

##### 5.2.1 Installation of Interior Wire (Continued)

###### a. Inside Wiring (Continued)

- (3) The customer may be required to provide suitable access to work space for installation and maintenance purposes, and to remove and replace any ceilings, walls, floors, etc., as may be required. The Company shall reserve the right to refuse to install or maintain wiring in a location where safety of workmen or continuity of service might, in the opinion of the Company, be questioned.

###### b. Preinstallation of Interior Wire in Residential Buildings

- (1) Preinstallation of interior wire is the provision of wire only for telephone service within a building prior to the establishment of service.
- (2) Preinstallation of interior wire is limited to residential buildings under construction and does not apply to business establishments or other commercial building construction.
- (3) At the customer's or builder's request and where conditions permit, the Company will provide preinstallation of interior wire without charge.
- (4) Preinstallation of interior wire will not be provided where the construction of the building is too far advanced or where the type of construction precludes its use. The final decision as to feasibility of providing and the type and the method of preinstalling interior wire will rest at all times with the Company.
- (5) Because the Company has no right of control over the premises where the wire is preinstalled, it cannot assume any responsibility for the workability of the wiring provided. In the event the preinstalled interior wire is unusable at the time service is established, or subsequently, service will be provided by means of standard Company interior wiring.

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#### 5.2 Charges for Unusual Installations (Continued)

##### 5.2.1 Installation of Interior Wire (Continued)

##### b. Preinstallation of Interior Wire in Residential Buildings (Continued)

- (6) The Company cannot guarantee that any subsequent changes in or additions to the preinstalled interior wire will remain concealed.
- (7) All regular charges apply for items of service and equipment when service is established.

##### 5.2.2 Special Types of Installation

When a special type of installation is desired by a customer or where the individual requirements of a particular situation make the installation unusually expensive, the customer is required to bear the excess cost of such installation.

##### 5.2.3 Temporary Installation

When an installation is required for temporary service and there is no immediate prospect of reusing the plant provided, the customer may be required to bear all or a portion of the cost of such installation, over and above all other regular charges for service and equipment.

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#### 5.3 Special Service Arrangements

- a. Where practicable, special equipment and arrangements, not otherwise provided for in this tariff, are furnished if they are in accord with authorized service offerings and if they are to be used in connection with and not detrimental to any of the services furnished by the Company. Charges for such special service arrangements will be based on the estimated costs of furnishing them, such costs to consist of the following items to the extent they are applicable:
- (1) Cost of maintenance.
  - (2) Cost of operation.
  - (3) Depreciation on the estimated cost installed of the facilities provided, based on the anticipated useful service life of the facilities with an appropriate allowance for the estimated net salvage.
  - (4) Administration and taxes 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 the facilities provided, for return and contingencies.
- b. Estimated cost installed as mentioned in (3) and (6) above includes cost of equipment and materials specifically provided or used, plus the estimated cost of installing, including engineering, labor, supervision, transportation, right-of-way, and any other investment items.

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