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I. General

Construction charges are non-recurring charges applicable for extending the Company's outside plant facilities or under certain conditions in order to provide basic local exchange service at the request of the customer. These charges are in addition to applicable charges for the class of service furnished, service connection charges, charges for moves and changes, and other charges that may be applicable.

II. Definitions

- A. **Applicant** under this tariff is a residential customer who is applying for basic local exchange service at a location that currently does not have the Company's outside plant facilities established. Applicant does not include developers requesting service for developments.
- B. **Application** is an official request by the customer to the Company asking for the installation of basic local exchange service.
- C. **Construction Allowance** is the portion of new construction that is provided at no charge.
- D. **Costs** include direct and indirect costs of materials and labor associated with the construction of the Company's new outside plant facilities including, but are not limited to, permitting fees, rights of way fees, and payments to subcontractors.
- E. **Developer** is an owner of an area of land who is responsible for requesting placement of the Company's outside plant facilities in the new area prior to, or in conjunction with, an customer application for basic local exchange service located in that new area.
- F. **Development** is the new area of land to be developed that is divided or is proposed to be divided into 4 or more lots, parcels, or units.
- G. **Extraordinary Cost** is a substantial expense resulting from circumstances or conditions beyond the control of the Company that are exceptional and unlikely to occur in the normal course of planning and constructing outside plant facilities.
- H. **Group Applicant** is a request for basic local exchange service from multiple (two or more) applicants whose extension of service would follow a single construction path.
- I. **Line Extension** is the establishment of the Company's outside plant facilities to provide new residential basic local exchange service to an applicant's premises that currently does not have the Company's outside plant facilities in place. Line extensions do not include trenches, conduits, or other support structure for placement of the Company's outside plant facilities from the applicant's property line to the premises to be served. Line extensions under this tariff do not apply to developments, temporary occupancy or temporary service.
- J. **New Construction** is the placement of additional company outside plant facilities required to provide basic local exchange service from the nearest existing company outside plant facilities within the wire center to an Applicant(s) premises.

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II. Definitions (continued)

- K. **Outside Plant Facilities** are part of the Company's telecommunications network that is physically located outside the Company's central office or remote and is required to provide basic local exchange service from the Company's central office or remote to a premises.
- L. **Permanent Service** is provided at premises that have a permanent foundation and permanent connections to basic utilities such as water, gas and electricity.
- M. **Premises** is any structure that is used as a residence, but does not include predominantly commercial or industrial structures.
- N. **Right of Way** is legal access to land not owned by the Company for the purpose of digging trenches, laying cable or planting poles.
- O. **Service Drop** or Drop Wire is a company supplied conductor, which is capable of provisioning 3 voice lines, that is placed between a premises and the Company's outside plant facilities at the applicant's property line.
- P. **Special Construction** is when an Applicant requests specific and/or unusual plant, equipment, or services to be installed that is not normally provided by the Company and/or results in substantial expenses.
- Q. **Temporary Service** is service that is provided for a limited or short time and there is no immediate prospect of reusing the plant such as service provided for construction huts, sales campaigns, athletic contests, conventions, fairs, circuses, and similar events.

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III. Terms and Conditions

- A. This tariff applies to requests for extension of residential basic local exchange service.
- B. This tariff does not apply to the application requests listed below. The terms and conditions of these requests shall be governed by an individual contract to be developed between the prospective applicant and the Company:
 - 1. Applications for Extension of Service for Business Service;
 - 2. Applications for Extension of Service by residential customers for other than residential basic local exchange service, unless the Company chooses to treat such application under this tariff;
 - 3. Applications from Developers requesting service to developments.
- C. An Applicant(s) ordering service at more than one premise is treated as separate applications.
- D. The Company will determine the location and type of outside plant facilities required to provide the quantity and class of service, and to meet quality of service standards unless other arrangements have been agreed upon.

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- E. New construction is based on actual route and average conditions that will enable the Company to extend service to Applicant(s) at a reasonable cost without adding an undue burden to the general body of existing customers.
- F. Where new construction is required, the Company will consult with other utilities to minimize construction costs (e.g., sharing trenches, poles, etc.).
- G. The Company will construct, own, and maintain outside plant facilities using standard specifications, engineering, design, and materials standards unless other arrangements have been agreed upon.
- H. Reinforcement of existing physical plant will be provided at the Company's expense except where facilities on private property are provided by the Applicant.
- I. Applicants are responsible for installation of all supporting structures required for placement of company-provided service drop from the applicant's property line to the applicant's premises. If the Applicants prefer the Company to construct supporting structures and dig trenches, the Company may charge for those services.
- J. All supporting structures required for placement of company-provided service drop from the applicant's property line to the premises must be authorized and approved by the Company. Once in place and in use, all supporting structures and drop wire will be maintained by the Company as long as the Company provides service, and any support structure and trenches constructed at Company expense are owned by the Company.
- K. Once supporting structures, trenches, or both, have been constructed, the company will provide the service drop to applicants at no charge.

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IV. Application Process

- A. The Applicant must contact the Company to request Basic Local Exchange Service. In the case of multiple Applicants, each Applicant must either notify the Company individually or be separately identified during the application process.
- B. The Company must within seven business days of an applicant's initial request provide the applicant with an application for Line Extension Service. The Company must also provide the applicant a brief explanation of the extension of service rules.
- C. Once the Company provides a written estimate of the construction charges applicable to the Applicant, the Applicant has 30 days to agree to the charges or withdraw the request.
- D. Once the Applicant has provided all of the required information and submitted all agreed upon payments, the Company will proceed with construction of the line extension.
- E. Although the Company will process the application for Line Extension Service in a timely manner, the actual start and completion time will depend on when the Company can coordinate for joint engineering and construction with other utilities; and obtain the material, labor and facilities necessary to complete the new construction.

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V. Rates and Charges

A. General

1. The applicable construction charges will be less a Construction Allowance, per premises, as noted in B. below. When the Company receives a group application, any applicable construction charges for shared facilities will be divided between the Applicants.
2. Construction Charges will be associated with the premises for which they were established rather than the Applicant(s). Credit for Construction Charges may not be transferred from one premise to another.
3. At the completion of the construction of the line extension, the Company will determine the difference between the estimated costs and the actual costs of construction. The Company will provide each Applicant a detail of the construction costs showing the difference. The Company will refund any overpayment to the applicant no later than 45 days after the project close date, and may charge the Applicant for reasonable additional costs up to ten percent of the estimate. The Applicant shall have up to 45 days to remit additional costs due.
4. If a single or group applicant disconnects service, all outstanding construction charges will become due and payable immediately. Charges to remaining Group Applicants will not be affected by disconnects.

B. Construction Allowance

1. Each Applicant with an active service order request will be provided with a one-time construction allowance (per premises) of 1000 feet at no charge to the Applicant.
2. The construction allowance is not available for temporary service.

C. Charges

1. The cost of construction above the allowance. The Applicant is responsible for the cost of construction above the allowance.
2. The Applicant may be responsible for some or all the costs associated with the following:
 - Securing, clearing, and retaining right-of-ways;
 - Support structures and trenches
 - Specific or unusual plant facilities not normally provided by the Company;
 - Establishment and removal of temporary facilities or seasonal in nature;
 - Labor to rearrange, change or move of facilities after construction begins;
 - Clearing the ground where facilities are to be laid of trees, stumps and other obstructions plus excavating and backfilling;
 - Removing rock or other abnormal conditions that are encountered;
 - Installation of lines after curb and sidewalks or other obstructions are in place;
 - Overtime work at the Applicant(s) request;
 - Additional or replacement of company facilities related to customer requests to rearrange, relocate, or repair company facilities.

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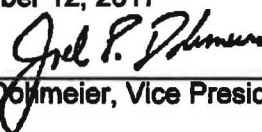
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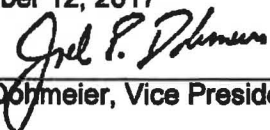
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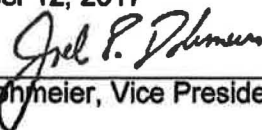
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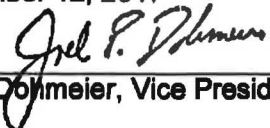
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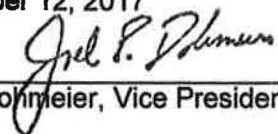
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