
SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICES

1. APPLICATION OF TARIFF

1.1. GENERAL

This Tariff applies to intrastate Access Service supplied by the Company to Customers. (C)

The provision of such services by the Company as set forth in this Tariff does not constitute a joint undertaking with the Customer for the furnishing of any service. (C)

1.2. TARIFF REVISION SYMBOLS

Revisions to this Tariff are coded through the use of symbols. These symbols appear in the right hand margin of the page. The following tariff revision symbols are used for the purposes indicated below.

(C) - To signify changed regulation

(D) - To signify decreased rate

(I) - To signify increased rate

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1.3. DEFINITIONS

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Access Minutes: Denotes the usage of exchange facilities in intrastate service for the purpose of calculating chargeable usage.

Access Tandem: An Exchange Carrier's switching system that provides a concentration and distribution function for the originating or terminating traffic between switching centers and the Customer's premises. (C)

Advance Payment: Payment of all or part of a charge required before the start of service.

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Channel(s): An electrical, or in the case of fiber optic-based transmission systems, a photonic communications path between two or more points of termination.

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Commission: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

Company: Comcast Phone of Pennsylvania, LLC and its affiliate companies. (C)

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1.3. DEFINITIONS (CONT'D)

Customer: The term "Customer" (when capitalized) denotes any person, firm, partnership, corporation or other entity that uses service under the terms and conditions of this Tariff and is responsible for the payment of charges.

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End Office: With respect to each 101-XXXX code prefix assigned to the Company, the location of the Company's "end office" for purposes of this Tariff shall be the point of interconnection associated with that 101-XXXX code in the Local Exchange Routing Guide, issued by Telcordia. Services provided at a Trunk Gateway location (as defined elsewhere) are the functional equivalent of services provided at an End Office location.

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End User: The term "End User" means any wholesale or retail customer of an interstate or foreign telecommunications service that is not a carrier. The term "End User" may also refer to origination or termination locations accessed via contractual or other arrangements with an affiliated or unaffiliated provider of interconnected or non-interconnected VoIP service.

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Exchange Carrier: Any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, governmental entity or corporation authorized by this Commission to engage in the provision of Local exchange telephone service.

Fiber Optic Cable: A thin filament of glass with a protective outer coating through which a light beam carrying communications signals may be transmitted by means of multiple internal reflections to a receiver, which translates the message.

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Individual Case Basis: A service arrangement in which the regulations, rates and charges are based on the specific circumstances of the Customer's situation.

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Interconnected VoIP Service: An interconnected VoIP service is a service that (i) enables real-time, two-way voice communications; (ii) requires a broadband connection from the user's location; (iii) requires internet protocol-compatible customer premises equipment (CPE); and (iv) permits users generally to receive calls that originate on the public switched telephone network and to terminate calls to the public switched telephone network.

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Interstate Communications: The term "Interstate Communications" applies to the regulatory jurisdictions of services used for communications between locations located in different states within the United States or between one or more locations in the United States and one or more international locations.

Intrastate Communications: The term "Intrastate Communications" denotes any communications within the state subject to oversight by a state regulatory commission as provided by the laws of the state involved.

Joint User: A person, firm or corporation designated by the Customer as a user of switched access or interconnection facilities furnished to the Customer by the Company, and to whom a portion of the charges for such facilities are billed under a joint use arrangement.

Local Access Transport Area (LATA): A local access and transport area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgment entered by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in Civil Action No. 82-9192 for the provision and administration of communications services.

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Local Calling Area: A geographical area, as defined in the Company's exchange telecommunications service tariff in which an end user may complete a call without incurring toll usage charge.

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MRC: - Monthly Recurring Charge: A fixed charge that applies each month during which service is provided to the Customer.

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Non-interconnected VoIP Service: The term “non-interconnected VoIP service” means a service that (i) enables real-time voice communications that originate from or terminate to the user’s location using Internet protocol or any successor protocol; and (ii) requires Internet protocol compatible customer premises equipment; and (iii) does not include any service that is an interconnected VoIP service.

NRC - Nonrecurring Charge: The one-time initial charges for services or facilities, including but not limited to charges for construction, installation, or special fees, for which the Customer becomes liable at the time the Service Order is executed.

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Point of Termination: The point of termination within a customer-designated premises at which the Company's responsibility for the provision of access service ends. The point of termination is the point of interconnection between Company communications facilities and customer-provided facilities as defined in Part 68 of the FCC’s Rules and Regulations.

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Recurring Charges: The monthly charges for the Customer for services, facilities and equipment, which continue for the agreed upon duration of the service.

Service Commencement Date: The first day following the date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the requested service or facility is available for use, unless extended by the Customer's refusal to accept service which does not conform to standards set forth in the Service Order or this tariff, in which case the Service commencement Date is the date of the Customer's acceptance. The parties may mutually agree on a substitute Service Commencement Date.

Service Order (or "Sales Order"): The written request for services executed by the Customer and the Company in the format devised by the Company.

Services: The Company's telecommunications switched access and interconnection services offered by the Company.

Shared: A facility or equipment system or subsystem which can be used simultaneously by several Customers.

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Signaling System 7 (SS7): The common channel out of Band Signaling protocol developed by the Consultative Committee for International Telephone and Telegraph (CCITT) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

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Tandem Transport: The term "Tandem Transport" denotes the transport between an access tandem and the Company's End Office, Trunk Gateway or other functionally equivalent location. (C)
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Trunk: A communications path connection two switching systems in a network.

Trunk Gateway: The point of interface between the PSTN trunk facility and the Company defined by Common Language Location Identifier (CLLI) codes assigned to the Company, as reflected in the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG). Services provided at a Trunk Gateway location are the functional equivalent of services provided at an End Office location. (C)
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