

NEW JERSEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS TARIFF

OF

Granite Telecommunications, LLC

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COMPETITIVE LOCAL
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

This Tariff, New Jersey B.P.U. No. 3, replaces Granite Telecommunications, LLC's New Jersey B.P.U. No. 1 in its entirety

This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations and rates applicable to the furnishing of local exchange telecommunications services provided by Granite Telecommunications, LLC ("Granite") within the State of New Jersey. This tariff is on file with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board"). Copies may be inspected during normal business hours at the Company's principal place of business: 234 Copeland Street, Quincy, Massachusetts 02169.

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CONCURRING CARRIERS

None

CONNECTING CARRIERS

None

OTHER PARTICIPATING CARRIERS

None

EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

- (C) To signify **changed** condition or regulation.
- (D) To signify **deleted or discontinued** rate, regulation or condition.
- (I) To signify a change resulting in an **increase** to a Customer's bill.
- (M) To signify that material has been **moved from** another tariff location.
- (N) To signify a **new** rate, regulation condition.
- (R) To signify a change resulting in a **reduction** to a Customer's bill.
- (S) To signify reissued material.
- (T) To signify a change in **text** but no change to rate or charge.

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- B. **Sheet Revision Numbers** - Revision numbers also appear in the upper right corner of each sheet. These numbers are used to determine the most current sheet version on file with the Board. For example, the 4th revised Sheet 14 cancels the 3rd Revised Sheet 14. Because of various suspension periods, deferrals, etc. the Board follows in its tariff approval process, the most current sheet number on file with the Board is not always the sheet in effect. Consult the Check Sheet for the sheet currently in effect.
- C. **Paragraph Numbering Sequence** – There are nine levels of paragraph coding. Each level of code is subservient to its next higher level:
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- D. **Check Sheets** - When a tariff filing is made with the Board, an updated Check Sheet accompanies the tariff filing. The Check Sheet lists the sheets contained in the tariff with a cross-reference to the current revision number. When new sheets are added, the Check Sheet is changed to reflect the revision. All revisions made in a given filing are designated by an asterisk (*). There will be no other symbols used on this sheet if these are the only changes made to it (i.e., the format, etc., remains the same, just revised revision levels on some Sheets). The tariff user should refer to the latest Check Sheet to find if a particular sheet is the most current on file with the Board.

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APPLICATION OF TARIFF

- A. This Tariff schedule sets forth the Service offerings, rates, terms and conditions applicable to the furnishing of intrastate telecommunications Services offered by Granite Telecommunications, LLC to Customers located within the State of New Jersey.
- B. The rates and regulations contained in this Tariff apply only to the intrastate telecommunications Services furnished by Company and do not apply, unless otherwise specified, to the lines, facilities, or the services provided by a Local Exchange Carrier or other common Carrier for use in accessing the Services of Company. This Tariff does not cover any information service or other unregulated service offered by Company. Company will offer any information or other unregulated service in accordance with Company's current price list or contract, whichever applies to the particular customer.
- C. Company may not be deemed to have waived or impaired any right, power, requirement or option reserved by this Tariff (including, but not limited to, the right to demand exact compliance with every term and condition herein), by virtue of any custom or practice of Company at variance with the terms hereof, or any failure, refusal or neglect of Company to exercise any right under this Tariff or to insist upon exact compliance with its terms, or any waiver, forbearance, delay, failure or omission by Company to exercise any right, power or option hereunder.
- D. The rates, rules, terms and conditions contained herein are subject to change pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Board.
- E. This Tariff will be maintained and made available for inspection by any Customer at Granite Telecommunications, LLC's principal business office at 100 Newport Avenue Extension, Quincy, Massachusetts 02171.

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SECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Certain terms used generally throughout this Tariff are defined below:

Authorized User:

A person, firm, corporation or other entity that either is authorized by the Customer to use Service or is placed in a position by the Customer, either through acts or omissions, to use Service.

Board:

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

Business Service:

A Service that conforms to one or more of the following criteria:

- A. the Service is primarily for paid commercial, professional or institutional activity; or
- B. the Service is situated in a commercial, professional or institutional location, or other location serving primarily or substantially as a site of an activity for pay; or
- C. the Service number is listed as the principal or only number for a business in any telecommunications directory; or
- D. the Service is used to conduct promotions, solicitations, or market research for which compensation or reimbursement is paid or provided. However, such use of Service, without compensation or reimbursement, for a charitable or civic purpose will not constitute business use of Service unless other criteria apply.

Called Station:

The terminating point of a call (i.e., the called number).

Carrier:

A company authorized by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities to provide telecommunications services.

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Channel:

A communications path between two or more points of termination.

Collect Call:

A billing arrangement where a call is billed to the called station.

Company:

Granite Telecommunications, LLC. ("Granite")

Customer:

The person, firm, corporation or other entity which orders or uses Service and is responsible for payment of charges and compliance with tariff regulation.

Customer Premises:

A location(s) designated by the Customer for the purposes of connecting to Company's Services.

Customer Premises Equipment (CPE):

Equipment located at the Customer's Premises for use with Company's Services.

Disconnect or Disconnection:

The termination of a circuit connection between the Originating Station and the Called Station or Company's operator.

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Includes, in the aggregate or otherwise, but is not limited to, the following:

channels	lines
apparatus	devices
equipment	accessories
communications paths	systems

which are provided by Company and utilized by it in the furnishing of telecommunications Services or which are provided by a Customer and used for telecommunications purposes.

Force Majeure:

Causes beyond Company's control, including but not limited to: acts of God, fire, flood explosion or other catastrophes; any law, order, regulation, direction, action or request of the United States Government, or of any other government, including state and local governments having or claiming jurisdiction over Company, or of any Commission/Board, agency, department, bureau, corporation, or other instrumentality of any one or more of these federal, state, or local governments, or of any civil or military authority; national emergencies; insurrection, riots, wars, unavailability of rights-of-way or materials; or strikes, lock-outs, work stoppages, fraudulent acts of a third party, or other labor difficulties.

Holidays:

New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, or any day which is a legally observed federal government holiday.

LATA:

Local Access and Transport Area ("LATA"). A geographic area established for the provision and administration of communications service. A LATA encompasses designated exchanges, which are grouped to serve common social, economic and other purposes.

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Local Exchange Carrier:

A company which furnishes local exchange telecommunications service.

Local Service:

Telephone exchange service within a local calling area.

Person-to-Person:

A call for which the person originating the call specifies to the operator a particular person, department or extension to be reached.

Premises:

A building or buildings or contiguous property, not separated by a public highway or right-of-way.

Service(s):

The intrastate telecommunications Services that Company offers pursuant to this Tariff.

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Station:

Each telephone on a line where no telephone number associated with the line is also provided on the same premises and in the same building; the first termination in station key equipment or a jack for use with a portable telephone.

Station-to-Station:

Any operator handled call where the person originating the call does not specify a particular person to be reached, or a particular station, room number, department, or office to be reached through a PBX attendant.

Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS):

Enables deaf, hard-of-hearing or speech-impaired persons who use a text telephone or similar devices, to communicate freely with the hearing population not using text telephone and visa versa.

White Pages Directory Listing:

A directory listing found in the local White Pages telephone directory.

Working Day:

Any day on which Company's business office is open and the U.S. Mail is delivered.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS

2.1. UNDERTAKING OF COMPANY

- 2.1.1. Company undertakes to provide Services subject to the terms and conditions of this Tariff.
- 2.1.2. Company's Services are furnished for telecommunications originating and/or terminating in any area within the State of New Jersey.
- 2.1.3. Company offers Services to Customers for the transmission and reception of voice, data, and other types of communications.
- 2.1.4. Company does not transmit messages pursuant to this Tariff, but its Services may be used for that purpose.
- 2.1.5. Company's Services are provided on a monthly basis unless otherwise provided, and are available twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.
- 2.1.6. Company may, at Company's sole discretion, elect to employ third parties to perform any of its obligations under this Tariff.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.2. CUSTOMER'S USE OF SERVICE**

- 2.2.1. Service may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with this Tariff and with the transmission and switching parameters of the telecommunications facilities utilized in the provision of Services.
- 2.2.2. Equipment Company provides or installs at the Customer's premises for use in connection with the Services Company offers may not be used for any other purpose other than for which Company provided it. Customer may not, and may not permit others to, rearrange, disconnect, remove, attempt to repair, or otherwise interfere with any of the Services or equipment installed by Company or Company's agent, except upon the consent of Company.
- 2.2.3. The Services Company offers may not be used for any unlawful purpose or for any use as to which the Customer has not obtained all governmental approvals, authorizations, licenses, consents and permits required to be obtained by Customer with respect thereto.
- 2.2.4. Service may not be used for any purpose for which the Customer receives any payment or other compensation, except when the Customer is a duly authorized and regulated common carrier, receives any payment or other compensation. This provision does not prohibit an arrangement between the Customer or Authorized User to share the cost of Service.
- 2.2.5. Service may not be used in any manner, which interferes with other persons in the use of their Service, prevents other persons from using their Service, otherwise impairs the quality of Service to other Customers, or impairs the privacy of any communications over any Service provided by Company. Company may require a Customer to shut down its transmission of signals if said transmission is causing interference to others.
- 2.2.6. Service may not be used in any manner so as to annoy, abuse, threaten, or harass other persons.
- 2.2.7. The use of Company's Services either without payment for Service or attempting to avoid payment for Service by fraudulent means or devices, schemes, false or invalid numbers, or false calling or credit cards is prohibited.

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2.2.8. The Customer obtains no property right or interest in the use of any specific type of facility, Service, equipment, telephone number, process or code. All rights, titles and interests remain, at all times, solely with Company.

2.2.9. Customer's use of any resold service obtained from other service providers is also subject to any applicable restrictions in the underlying provider's publicly available tariffs.

2.3. APPLICATION FOR SERVICE

2.3.1. A Customer desiring to obtain Service must complete the appropriate service order form and submit the service order in compliance with Company subscription requirements as may be established from time to time.

2.3.2. The name(s) of the Customer(s) desiring to use the Service must be set forth in the application for Service. The Company may require proof of identity and proof of address pursuant to N.J.A.C. 4:3-3.2 (d) and (e).

2.3.3. Company reserves the right to refuse an application for Service made by a present or former Customer who is indebted to Company for Service previously rendered pursuant to this Tariff until the indebtedness is satisfied. Company may also refuse an application when, in Company's sole discretion, provision of Service is precluded under Section 2.6.1., below.

2.3.4. Request for Service under this Tariff will authorize Company to conduct a credit search on the Customer. Company reserves the right to refuse Service on the basis of credit history and to refuse further Service due to late payment or nonpayment by the Customer.

2.3.5. Where the Customer cancels an application for Service, a cancellation charge will apply as specified in the Cancellation or Modification of Service by Customer Section of this Tariff.

2.3.6. Company may require an applicant for Service, who intends to use Company's offerings for resale and/or for shared use, to file a letter with Company confirming that the applicant's use of Company's offerings complies with relevant laws and Board regulations, policies, orders, and decisions.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.4. DEPOSITS**

- 2.4.1. Company may require a deposit from an applicant for new Service in accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:3-3.4. A deposit may be waived if, according to Company's assessment, the applicant is a satisfactory credit risk.
- 2.4.2. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:3-3.4(c), Company may require a deposit from an existing Customer as a condition to the further provision of Service if, according to Company's assessment, the Customer has become a credit risk.
- 2.4.3. Company will calculate the maximum deposit required from an applicant for Business Service or an existing Business customer by estimating the expected charges for Service for a two (2) month period. Company may adjust the amount of deposit to be held in order to maintain a two (2) month estimated amount when, according to Company's assessment, such adjustment is deemed necessary to adequately secure the account.
- 2.4.4. Customer's may satisfy deposit requirements as follows:
- A. In cash,
 - B. By an acceptable bank letter of credit,
 - C. Other forms of security acceptable to Company.
- 2.4.5. Deposits will be refunded to Business Service Customers at the sole discretion of Company.
- 2.4.6. When Service has been terminated or disconnected, Company will deduct any and all unpaid amounts from the deposit, and the difference will be refunded, if applicable.
- 2.4.7. Interest rates applied to Customer deposits held by Company are prescribed by the Board.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.5. CREDIT**

2.5.1. Company, in order to ensure payment of its charges for Service or for loss of or damage to Company property, will require Applicants and Customers to establish and maintain credit. The establishment or re-establishment of credit as provided in this Section does not relieve an applicant or Customer from compliance with other provisions of this Tariff as to the payment of bills and in no way modifies the Sections regarding disconnection and termination of Service for failure to pay bills due for Service furnished.

2.5.2. Company may require any applicant or Customer to establish and maintain credit in one of the following ways:

- A. Demonstrating credit satisfactory to Company by providing information pertinent to the applicant's or Customer's credit standing;
- B. Providing a suitable guarantee in writing, in a form prescribed by Company;
or
- C. Paying a cash deposit pursuant to Section 2.4.

Company may determine, in its sole discretion, whether or not a particular reference or guarantee in writing would be acceptable as a substitute for demonstrating satisfactory credit.

2.5.3. Company will extend credit to an applicant for new Service without a deposit if the applicant has verifiable previous or existing telephone service with any telephone company in the United States for at least twelve (12) months, and the payment record is made available and the account history is satisfactory. The payment record of an account will be deemed satisfactory if all the following are met:

- A. The previous or existing service was not discontinued for nonpayment, and was not abandoned, within the past twelve (12) months; and
- B. The applicant has not been sent denial notices for previous or existing service within the past twelve (12) months; and
- C. The applicant has paid for all previous and existing service without referral to a collection agency and without a declaration of uncollectibility; and
- D. The applicant provides accurate credit information as appropriate.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.5. CREDIT, Continued**

- 2.5.4. To safeguard its interests, Company may require a Customer to make an advance payment before Services are furnished. The advance payment will not exceed an amount equal to the nonrecurring charge(s) and one (1) month's recurring charges for the Service. In addition, where special construction is involved, the advance payment may also include an amount equal to the estimated nonrecurring charges for the special construction and recurring charges for a period to be set between Company and the Customer (if any). The advance payment will be credited to the Customer's initial bill. An advance payment will be required in addition to a deposit.
- 2.5.5. Customer credit information may be exchanged between telecommunications companies and other utilities. Customer credit information will be retained for two (2) years, unless otherwise required by the Board.
- 2.5.6. If an applicant for Service is unable to provide satisfactory credit information, Company may refuse to provide Service unless the applicant furnishes a deposit pursuant to Section 2.4.

2.6. PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF SERVICE

- 2.6.1. Company will use reasonable efforts to make Service available to Customers on or before a particular date, subject to the provisions and compliance by the Customer within the provisions of this Tariff. The lack of facilities or other operational impediments, including regulatory approvals, may preclude or delay provision of Service (a) in a particular location or to a particular Customer and/or (b) at any promised performance level. Actual transmission speeds and service characteristics of a Service may vary from those expected by the Customer due to such factors as the length and gauge of the line and other operational characteristics of the equipment and facilities used.
- 2.6.2. At the request of the Customer, installation or maintenance may be performed outside of Company's regular business hours or in hazardous locations. In such cases, charges based on cost of the actual labor, material or other costs incurred by or charged by Company will apply. If installation or maintenance is started during regular business hours, but, at the Customer's request, extends beyond regular business hours into time periods including, but not limited to, weekends, holidays, and/or night hours, additional charges may apply.

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- 2.6.3. Company will have control over the installation, rearrangement, repair, maintenance, and disconnection of all network elements owned or otherwise obtained to ensure the required level of Service. Company may substitute, change or rearrange any equipment or facility at any time and from time to time, but will not thereby alter the technical parameters of the Service provided to the Customer.
- 2.6.4. Company will use reasonable efforts to maintain the Service that it furnishes to the Customer. Company may make such tests, adjustments and inspections as may be necessary to maintain Company's Services and equipment in satisfactory operating condition. When possible, Company may, in its sole discretion, provide the Customer with reasonable notice of Service-affecting activities that may occur in the normal operation of Company business.
- 2.6.5. Company may, upon reasonable notice, make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine whether the terms and conditions of this Tariff are being complied with in the installation, operation or maintenance of the Customer's or Company's facilities or equipment. If the protective requirements of Customer-provided equipment are not being complied with, Company may take such action as it deems necessary to protect its Services, equipment and personnel. Company will notify the Customer promptly if there is any need for further corrective action. Within ten (10) days of receiving this notice, the Customer must take such action. If the Customer fails to do this, Company may take whatever additional action is deemed necessary, including the suspension of Service to protect its Services, equipment and personnel from harm.
- 2.6.6. Service will continue to be provided until cancelled by the Customer.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.7. MINIMUM SERVICE PERIOD**

- 2.7.1. The minimum Service period is one month (30 days). The Customer must pay the regular tariffed rate for Service for the minimum period of Service. If a Customer disconnects Service before the end of the minimum Service period, that Customer must pay the regular rates for the remainder of the minimum Service period. When the Service is moved within the same building, to another building on the same Premises, or to a different Premises entirely, the period of Service at each location is accumulated to calculate if the Customer has met the minimum Service period obligation.
- 2.7.2. If Service is terminated before the end of the minimum period of Service as a result of condemnation of property, damage to property requiring the Premises to be abandoned, or by the death of the Customer, the Customer is not obligated to pay for Service for the remainder of the minimum period.
- 2.7.3. If Service is transferred to a new Customer at the same Premises during the first month of Service, the new Customer assumes responsibility to meet the remainder of the minimum Service period requirements. For Services not taken over by the new Customer, the original Customer is responsible for the remaining payment for the minimum Service period obligation in accordance with the terms under which the Service was originally furnished.

2.8. CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.8.1. The Customer is responsible for the payment of all charges for Service furnished to the Customer and for all additional charges for calls the Customer elects to continue making.
- 2.8.2. The Customer is responsible for compliance with applicable regulations set forth in this Tariff.
- 2.8.3. Upon Company request, the Customer must verify the name(s) of Authorized Users allowed to request and use the Customer's Service.
- 2.8.4. Customer will return to Company within five (5) days of termination of Service all Company-provided equipment. All returned equipment must be in the same condition as when delivered to the Customer by Company. Upon demand, Customer will reimburse Company for any costs incurred by Company due to Customer's failure to comply with this Section.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.8. CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES, Continued**

- 2.8.5. Customer is responsible for the payment of any bills for Services and for the resolution of any disputes or discrepancies with Company. Company has no responsibility with respect to billings, charges or disputes related to services used by Customer which are not included in Services herein including, without limitation, any local, regional and long distance services not provided by Company.
- 2.8.6. The Customer is responsible for establishing identity as often as is necessary during the course of the call or when seeking credits from Company.
- 2.8.7. The Customer must make arrangements or obtain permission for safe, reasonable and continuous access and right-of-way for Company employees or agents of Company to enter the Premises of the Customer or any Authorized User of the Customer at any reasonable hour for the purpose of performing Company's obligations under this Tariff.
- 2.8.8. The Customer is responsible for the payment of (a) Service charges as set forth herein and (b) charges for visits by Company's agents or employees to the Premises of the Customer or Authorized User when the Service difficulty or trouble report results from the use of Services and equipment by the Customer or Authorized User.
- 2.8.9. Customer will, at Customer's expense, provide reasonable space, power, and level of heating and air conditioning, and otherwise maintain the proper environment to operate Company's Service at Customer's or Authorized User's premises.
- 2.8.10. The Customer may not, without prior written consent of Company, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, assign, transfer, or in any other manner dispose of, any of its rights, privileges, or obligations under this Tariff, and any attempt to make such an assignment, transfer, disposition without consent will be null and void.
- 2.8.11. A Customer or Authorized User may not represent in any way that the relationship between Customer or Authorized User and Company is anything other than one of customer and supplier, respectively. Nothing in this Tariff gives Customer or Authorized Users any authority to bind or otherwise incur liability on behalf of Company. Nothing in this Tariff constitutes an endorsement by Company of any activity, service or product of Customer or Authorized Users.

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2.8.12. The Customer is responsible for any damages, including usage charges that the Customer may incur as a result of the unauthorized use of its communications equipment. The unauthorized use of the Customer's communications equipment includes, but is not limited to, the placement of calls from the Customer's Premises and the placement of calls through Customer-controlled or Customer-provisioned equipment that are transmitted or carried over Company's network without the authorization of the Customer.

2.9. PAYMENTS AND BILLING

2.9.1. Service is provided and recurring Service Charges billed on a monthly (30 day) basis. The billing date is dependent on the billing cycle assigned to the Customer.

2.9.2. Non-recurring charges and charges based on actual usage, are billed monthly in arrears, except as provided in Section 2.9.3. Bills will contain the information required by N.J.A.C. 14:10-2.1 and 14:10-2.2

2.9.3. Usage charges may be billed without being detailed as to the duration, time of day, or destination of individual calls. If a Customer accumulates, within any consecutive five (5) day period, usage charges exceeding twice the average monthly usage charges for the previous two (2) monthly billing periods, and the Customer's credit record indicates that satisfactory payment may not be made on this amount, Company may issue a special usage bill. The special bill shall be due ten (10) days from the mailing date of the bill, seven (7) days if delivered.

2.9.4. Billing is payable upon receipt and past due thirty (30) days after issuance and posting of invoice. Bills not paid within thirty-one (31) days after the date of posting are subject to a 1.5 percent late payment charge for the unpaid balance.

2.9.5. A Customer will not be liable for any late payment charge applicable to a disputed portion of that Customer's bill, so long as the Customer pays the undisputed portion of the bill and enters into bona fide negotiations to resolve the dispute on a timely basis, pursuant to Section 2.9.10.

2.9.6. Checks presented in payment for Services and subsequently returned to Company by the Customer's financial institution for "Non-Sufficient Funds" or other reasons will incur a nonrecurring charge of \$25.00 per check.

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- 2.9.7. A Customer will be placed on a “cash only” basis upon receipt of two (2) returned checks within a twelve (12) month period of time. “Cash only” is herein defined as cashier’s checks, U.S. currency, or money orders.
- 2.9.8. Receipt of a subsequently dishonored negotiable instrument in response to a notice of discontinuance will not constitute payment of a Customer’s account and Company will not be required to issue additional notice prior to discontinuance. However, three (3) banking days must be allowed for redemption of such instrument.
- 2.9.9. Billing disputes should be addressed to Company’s Customer service organization via a toll-free telephone number (866) 847-5500. Customer service representatives are available from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern Time. Messages may be left for Customer services from 6:01 p.m. to 8:59 a.m. Eastern Time, which will be answered on the next business day, unless in the event of an emergency which threatens Customer service.
- 2.9.10. In case of a billing dispute between Customer and Company as to the correct amount of a bill, which cannot be adjusted with mutual satisfaction, Customer may enter the following arrangement pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:3-7.6.
- A. First, Customer requests, and Company will comply with the request, an investigation and review of the disputed amount.
 - B. The Customer pays the undisputed portion of the bill by the Due By Date shown on the bill or the Service will be subject to disconnection if Company has notified Customer by written notice of such delinquency and impending termination.
 - C. If there is still disagreement after the investigation and review by a manager of Company, Company will inform the Customer that the Customer may appeal to Board for its investigation and decision.
 - D. Company will not disconnect Customer’s Service for nonpayment as long as Customer complies with this arrangement.
 - E. Company will respond to the Board’s requests for information within ten (5) business days.
 - F. The Board will review the claim regarding the disputed amount, communicate the results of its review to Customer, and require disbursement according to those results.

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2.9. PAYMENTS AND BILLING, Continued

2.9.10. Disputed Bills, continued

G. After the investigation and review are completed by Company as noted in subsection A, above, if Customer elects not to deposit the amount in dispute with Board, such amount becomes due and payable at once. In order to avoid disconnection of Service, such amount must be paid within seven (7) calendar days after the date Company notifies Customer that the investigation and review are completed and that such payment must be made or Service will be interrupted. However, the Service will not be disconnected prior to the Due By Date shown on the bill.

H. The address and telephone number of the Board are:

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
Two Gateway Center (8th Floor)
Suite 801
Newark, New Jersey 07102
1-800-624.0241 (Phone)

2.10. TAXES

2.10.1. The Customer is responsible for the payment of all state sales tax, federal excise tax, state 911 surcharge and any federally mandated surcharges, such as; the Federal Universal Service Fund Surcharge, FCC Subscriber Line Charge, and Local Number Portability Surcharge imposed on or based upon provision, sale or use of Network Services. All such taxes and surcharges shall be separately designated on the Company's invoices.

2.10.2. In addition to any state and local taxes that might apply to the listed rates, the following taxes and surcharges will be imposed:

A Pay Phone Surcharge, per call	\$ 0.50
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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.11. ALLOWANCES FOR INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE**

- 2.11.1. For the purpose of applying this provision, the word “interruption” means the inability to access Service due to equipment malfunction or human errors. “Interruption” does not include, and no allowance will be given for, Service difficulties such as slow access, circuits busy or other network and/or switching capacity shortages.
- 2.11.2. Credit allowances will be given in accordance to this Section 2.11. for interruptions of Service which are not due to Company’s testing or adjusting, to the negligence of the Customer, or to the failure of channels, equipment and/or communications equipment provided by the Customer or another Carrier, and are subject to the general limitation of liability provisions set forth in Section 2.15. herein. Customer must notify Company of any interruptions of Service less than 72 hours in duration. Before giving such notice, the Customer must ascertain that the trouble is not caused by any action or omission of the Customer, and not otherwise within the Customer’s control. For outages of more than 72 hours the customer’s account will be credited regardless of whether the customer has notified the Company, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:10-2.3.
- 2.11.3. For purposes of computing a credit under Section 2.11. every month is considered to have 720 hours. No credit will be allowed for an interruption of a continuous duration of less than two hours. Company will credit the Customer for an interruption of two (2) hours or more at the rate of 1/720th of the monthly charge for the Service affected for each hour or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

Credit formula: $Credit = (A/720) \times B$

A - outage time in hours

B - total monthly charge for affected Service

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.12. CANCELLATION OR MODIFICATION OF SERVICE BY CUSTOMER**

- 2.12.1. Customers may cancel Service by providing verbal or written notice to Company. The notice must specify the date on which Service is to be discontinued.
- 2.12.2. The Customer remains responsible for all Service charges until the day and time on which Service is actually disconnected.
- 2.12.3. If Customer cancels Service before Company completes installation of the Service and at the time of cancellation Company has incurred any expense in installing Services or preparing to install Service that it would not otherwise have incurred, a charge equal to the cost Company incurred will apply. In no case will this charge exceed the charge for the minimum period of Services ordered, including installation charges and Non-Recurring charges and all amounts others may charge Company that would have been chargeable to the Customer had Service been initiated.
- 2.12.4. If the Customer cancels Service after Company has completed installation, the charge set forth in Section 2.12.3 will apply to the extent Company has not yet recovered the costs described in Section 2.12.3. In addition, the minimum Service period obligations described in Section 2.7 will apply regardless of whether Service has been initiated and the charges due under Section 2.7 apply.
- 2.12.5. In the case of a Customer-initiated modification of Service, charges for the subsequent order are in addition to the costs incurred before the Customer changed the original order.

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- 2.13.1. Company may discontinue furnishing the Service to a Customer without incurring liability provided they give reasonable notice to the Customer, to the extent reasonably possible.
- A. If there is a condition determined in Company's sole discretion to be hazardous to the Customer, to other Customers of Company, to Company's equipment, to the public or to employees or agents of Company; or
 - B. If Company deems refusal or disconnection necessary to protect itself or third parties against fraud or to otherwise protect its personnel, agents, facilities or Services; or
 - C. For non-compliance with and/or violation of any State or municipal law, ordinance or regulation pertaining to Service; or
 - D. For use of Company's Services for any purpose other than that described in the application; or
 - E. In the event of Customer use of equipment in such a manner as to adversely affect Company's equipment or the Service to others; or
 - F. In the event of tampering with the equipment furnished and owned by Company; or
 - G. In the event of unauthorized or fraudulent use of Service.
- 2.13.2. Company may discontinue Service without liability upon ten (10) days written notice to the Customer via first-class mail prior to discontinuance of Service:
- A. For violation of this Tariff, except as provided in Section 2.14.1, including without limitation, non-payment of bills for Service, refusal to provide Company with either a deposit or advance payment, or failure to meet Company's credit requirements; or
 - B. For failure of the Customer to make proper application for Service including, without limitation, the provision of false information; or

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- C. When necessary for Company to comply with any order or request of any governmental authority having jurisdiction.

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:3-3A.3. Company will provide the Customer with written notice via first class U.S. Mail stating the reason for discontinuance.

- 2.13.3. The discontinuance of Service(s) by Company pursuant to this section does not relieve the Customer of any obligations to pay Company for charges due and owing for Service(s) furnished up to the time of discontinuance. The remedies set forth herein are not exclusive, and Company is at all times entitled to all the rights available to it under law or equity.

- 2.13.4. Company may refuse to permit collect calling, calling card, third number billing which it determines to be fraudulent and/or may limit the use of these billing options or Services.

2.14. RESTORATION OF SERVICE

- 2.14.1. The use and restoration of Service in emergencies may be in accordance with part 64, Subpart D of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations which specifies the priority system for such activities.

- 2.14.2. When a Customer's Service has been disconnected in accordance with this Tariff and the Service has been terminated through the completion of a Company service order, Service will be restored only upon the basis of application for new Service.

- 2.14.3. A Customer whose Service has been discontinued for failure to establish credit or for nonpayment of bills will be required to pay the unpaid balance due Company before Service is restored.

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- 2.14.4. Whenever Service has been discontinued for fraudulent or other unlawful use, Company may, before restoring Service, require the Customer to make, at its own expense, all changes in facilities or equipment necessary to eliminate such fraudulent or otherwise unlawful uses and to pay an amount reasonably estimated as the loss in revenues resulting from such fraudulent use.
- 2.14.5. Any Customer whose Service has been disconnected may be required to pay Service reconnection charges equal to the initial Service Connection Charge before Service is restored.

2.15. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- 2.15.1. Company will not be liable to the Customer or Authorized User for, and the Customer and any Authorized User, jointly and severally, will indemnify, defend and hold harmless Company from any allegation, claim, loss, damage, liability, defect, cost or expense resulting from or involving:
- A. Libel, slander, or invasion of privacy from material, data, information or other content transmitted over Company's facilities; or
 - B. Patent or trademark infringement or other infringement of intellectual property rights including, but not limited to, copyrights, trademarks, and trade secrets, arising from (1) combining (or using in connection with) Company-provided Services and equipment with any facilities, services functions, or products provided by the Customer or Authorized User or (2) use of Services, functions, or products which Company furnished in a manner Company did not contemplate and over which Company exercises no control. In the event that any such infringing use is enjoined, the Customer or Authorized User at its expense, will obtain immediately a dismissal or stay of such injunction, obtain a license or other agreement so as to extinguish the claim in infringement, terminate the claimed infringing use, or modify such combination so as to avoid any such infringement; or
 - C. A breach in the privacy or security of communications transmitted over Company's facilities; or

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- D. Acts, mistakes, omission, interruptions delays, errors or defects in transmission over Company's facilities or equipment; or
- E. Injuries to persons or property from voltages or currents transmitted over Company-provided facilities caused by Customer-provided equipment or Premises wire; or
- F. The disconnection of Service for failure to pay the charges billed to Customer, including but not limited to, any direct, indirect, incidental, special consequential, exemplary or punitive damages, so long as such disconnection of Service complied with the applicable rules and regulations; or
- G. Violations of the obligations of the Customer under this Tariff; or
- H. Defacement of or damage to Customer Premises, facilities or equipment resulting from the furnishing of Service or equipment on such Premises or the installation, maintenance, repair or removal thereof, unless such defacement or damage is caused by willful misconduct of Company's agents or employees; or
- I. The interruption of a call to any party or any other person in conjunction with use of the Busy Line Verification and Interrupt Service as set forth in this Tariff; or
- J. Any loss, destruction or damage to property of the Customer, the Customer's agent, distributors, or any third party, or the death of or injury to persons, including, but not limited to, employees or invitees of either Company or the Customer, to the extent caused by or resulting from the negligent or intentional act or omission of Company, Customer, Authorized User or their employees, agents representatives or invitees; or

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- K. Any delay or failure of performance or equipment due to a Force Majeure condition or any unlawful acts of Company's agents and employees if committed beyond the scope of their agency or employment.
- L. Misrepresentation of, or the failure to disclose, the lawful rates and charges published in the Tariff, so long as Company has complied with any applicable rules and regulation related thereto; or
- M. Fees Company delivered to a jurisdiction in question and not returned to Company as provided in the Taxes Section of this Tariff; or
- N. Any act, mistake, omission, fraudulent act of a third party, interruption, delay, error, or defect caused by or contributed to by:
 - 1. Another company or Carrier, or its agents or employees, when the facilities or equipment of the other company of Carrier are used for or with the Service Company offers. This includes the provision of a signaling system or other database by another company; or
 - 2. The Customer, or any third party acting as its agent, in connection with Company-provided or Customer-provided facilities or equipment, including, but not limited, the Customer's failure to take all necessary steps to obtain, install and maintain all necessary equipment, materials and supplies for interconnecting the terminal equipment or communications system of the Customer to Company's network; or
 - 3. A third party.
- O. Any failures, errors, malfunctions or omissions of Caller ID Blocking whether or not arising from or relating to any ordinary negligence or other conduct by Company; or
- P. Any unauthorized use of the Service provided to Customer.

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- 2.15.2. The liability of Company for damages arising out of the furnishing of, or failing to furnish, its Services, including but not limited to mistakes, omission, disconnections, interruptions, delays, acts of a third party, errors, defects, or representations, whether caused by acts or omissions is limited to the extension of allowances for interruption as set forth in this Tariff. Such allowances for interruptions are the sole remedy of the Customer and the sole liability of Company. Company will not be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental, special, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages to Customer as a result of any Company Service, equipment or facilities, or a the acts or omissions, acts of a third party, or the acts or omissions or negligence of Company, its employees or agents.
- 2.15.3. The liability of Company's suppliers and vendors for damages arising out of the furnishing of, or failing to furnish, their services, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, defects, or representations, whether caused by acts or omissions of such suppliers and vendors shall be limited to the extension of allowances for interruptions as set for in this Tariff. The extension of such allowances for interruptions will be the sole remedy of the Customer and the sole liability of Company's supplier and vendors. Company's suppliers and vendors will not be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental, special, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages to Customer, as a result of any service, equipment or facilities, or the act of omissions, or negligence of Company's suppliers and vendors, its employees or agents.
- 2.15.4. The entire liability of Company for any claim, loss, damage or expense from any cause whatsoever will in no event exceed sums actually paid to Company by the Customer for the specific Services giving rise to the claim, and no action or proceeding against Company may be commenced more than one (1) year after the Service is rendered.
- 2.15.5. THE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED ON AN "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE" BASIS. COMPANY EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, ACCURACY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AND NONINFRINGEMENT. COMPANY MAKES NO WARRANTY THAT SERVICE WILL BE UNINTERRUPTED, TIMELY, SECURE OR ERROR FREE OR MEET ANY PARTICULAR PERFORMANCE LEVEL; NOR DOES COMPANY MAKE ANY WARRANTY AS TO THE RESULTS THAT MAY BE OBTAINED THROUGH THE SERVICES OR THAT ANY DEFECT IN THE SERVICE WILL BE CORRECTED.

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2.15.6. The liability of Company for errors in billing that result in overpayment by the Customer will be limited to a credit equal to the dollar amount erroneously billed or, in the event that payment has been made and Service has been discontinued, to a refund of the amount erroneously billed.

2.15.7. With respect to Emergency Number 911 Service:

- A. This Service is offered solely as an aid in handling assistance calls in connection with fire, police and other emergencies. Company is not responsible for any losses, claims, demands, suits or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted or asserted by the Customer, or by any other party or person, for any personal injury to or death of any person or persons, or for any loss, damage or destruction of any property, whether owned by the Customer or others, caused or claimed to have been caused by: (1) mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors or other defects in the provision of this Service; or (2) installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, location or use of any equipment and facilities furnishing this Service.
- B. Neither is Company responsible for any infringement or invasion of the right of privacy of any person or persons, caused or claimed to have been caused, directly or indirectly, by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, occasion or use of Emergency 911 Service features and the equipment associated therewith, or by any Services furnished by Company, including, but not limited to, the identification of the telephone number, address or name associated with the telephone used by the party or parties accessing Emergency 911 Service, and which arises out of the negligence or other wrongful act of Company, the Customer, its users, agencies or municipalities, or the employees or agents of any one of them.

2.15.8. With respect to Directory Listing Service:

- A. In the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct, Company has no liability for damages arising from errors, mistakes in or omissions of directory listings, or errors, mistakes or omissions of listings obtainable from the directory assistance operator, including errors in the reporting thereof.

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2.15.8. With respect to Directory Listing Service:, Continued

- B. Company's liability arising from errors or omissions in directory listings will be limited to the amount of actual impairment to the Customer's Service and in no event will exceed one-half (1/2) the amount of the fixed monthly charges applicable to Service affected during the period covered by the directory in which the error or omission occurs.
- A. As part of providing any private listing or semi-private listing Services, Company will not be liable for failure or refusal to complete any call to such telephone when the call is not placed by dialing a number which includes the number of the party called. Company will try to prevent the disclosure of unpublished listings, but will not be liable in any manner should such a number be divulged.
- B. When a Customer with a non-published telephone number places a call to the Emergency 911 Service, Company will release the name and address of the calling party, where such information can be determined, to the appropriate local governmental authority responsible for the Emergency 911 Service. By subscribing to Service under this Tariff, the Customer agrees to the release of such information under the above provision.

2.15.9. Company will not be liable for any refusals or failures to provide, or delays in commencing, Service to any Customer pursuant to Section 2.6.1 or for any failure to provide or maintain Service at any particular performance level.

2.15.10. Company makes no warranty or representation of any kind whatsoever with respect to installations it provides for use in an explosive atmosphere. The Customer indemnifies and holds Company harmless from any and all loss, claims, demands, suits, or other action, or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted, or asserted by any entity or person(s), and for any loss, damage, or destruction of any property, whether owned by the Customer or others, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, location, or use of any installation so provided. Company reserves the right to require each Customer to sign an agreement acknowledging acceptance of the provisions of this Section as a condition precedent to such installations.

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Any notice Company may give to a Customer will be deemed properly given when delivered, if delivered in person, or when deposited with the U.S. Postal Service, postage prepaid, addressed to the Customer's billing address. Any notice the Customer may give Company will be deemed properly given when delivered, if delivered in person, or when deposited with the U.S. Postal Service, postage prepaid, addressed to Company at the address provided in the most recently revised tariff pages.

2.17. CUSTOMER PROVIDED EQUIPMENT AND INTERCONNECTION

- 2.17.1. Customer-provided equipment on the Premises of Customer or Authorized User, the operating personnel there, and the electric power consumed by such equipment must be provided by and maintained at the expense of the Customer or Authorized User. Conformance of Customer-provided equipment with Part 68 of the FCC Rules is the responsibility of Customer.
- 2.17.2. Customer or Authorized User must ensure that Customer-provided equipment connected to Company equipment and facilities is compatible with such equipment and facilities. The magnitude and character of the voltages and currents impressed on Company-provided equipment and wiring by the connection, operation, or maintenance of such equipment and wiring must be such as not to cause damage to Company-provided equipment and wiring or injury to Company's employees or to other persons. Any additional protective equipment required to prevent such damage or injury may be provided by Company at Customer's expense.
- 2.17.3. Company will not be responsible for the installation, operation or maintenance of any Customer-provided communications equipment. Where Customer-provided equipment is connected to the facilities and equipment furnished under this Tariff, the responsibility of Company will be limited to the furnishing of Service, facilities and equipment offered pursuant to this Tariff. Beyond this responsibility, Company will not be responsible for:
- A. the transmission of signals by Customer-provided equipment or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission; or
 - B. the reception of signals by Customer-provided equipment; or
 - C. network control signaling when performed by Customer-provided network control signaling equipment.

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Continued**

- 2.17.4. The Customer must secure all licenses, permits, rights-of-way and other arrangements necessary for interconnection with Company. In addition, the Customer must ensure that its equipment and/or system or that of its Authorized User or agent(s) is properly interfaced with Company's Service and the signals emitted into Company's network are of the proper mode, band-width, power, data speed and signal level for the intended use of the Customer. If the Customer or its Authorized User or agent(s) fails to properly maintain and operate its equipment and/or system, Company may, upon written request, require the use of protective equipment at the Customer's expense.
- 2.17.5. Interconnection between the facilities or services of other carriers is governed by the applicable terms and conditions of the other carriers' tariffs.
- 2.17.6. Service furnished by Company may be interconnected with services or facilities of other authorized carriers and with private systems, subject to the technical limitations established by Company. Any special interface of equipment or facilities necessary to achieve compatibility between the facilities of Company and other participating carriers must be provided at the Customer's expense.

2.18. PROVISION AND OWNERSHIP OF TELEPHONE NUMBERS

- 2.18.1. The Customer has no property right in any telephone number or any right to continuance of Service through any particular serving office. Company may change a telephone number or a serving office designation, or both, of a Customer if required for engineering or technical reasons or whenever Company deems it desirable in the conduct of its business to do so.
- 2.18.2. Telephone numbers will not be changed as a penalty or to enforce payment for directory advertising charges.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.19. TOLL DIALING PARITY PLAN**

2.19.1. Introduction

In accordance with the August 8, 1996 Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Second Report and Order, Company submits its implementation plan for intraLATA presubscription.

2.19.2. Policies

- A. Company will in no way restrict, or interfere with, subscribers' ability to access competitive providers of intraLATA or interLATA toll services.
- B. All eligible Company end user telephone line numbers will be presubscribed as dictated by the end user assigned to the line.

2.19.3. Carrier Information

- A. Interexchange carriers will have the option of offering intraLATA service only or intraLATA and interLATA service.
- B. Interexchange carriers will have the option of participating in all market areas or in a specific market area.
- C. Interexchange carriers will be required to return a completed Non-Disclosure Agreement and Participation Agreement(s).
- D. Company will not participate in billing disputes for intraLATA service between interexchange carriers and their customers.
- E. Company representatives will not initiate or accept three-way calls from interexchange carriers to discuss presubscription.
- F. Carriers wishing to participate will be requested to submit Access Service Requests/Translation Questionnaires to the Access Tandem owner and to Company.

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2.19.3. Carrier Information, Continued

- G. Company will maintain a current list of participating intraLATA toll service providers, including carrier telephone numbers, and will provide this list to customers upon request. All listed intraLATA toll service providers must have an approved toll tariff on file with the Board.

2.19.4. Call Eligibility Dialing Plan

- A. A customer of Company will have calls routed according to the extent Company deploys and offers two-PIC technology in its switches and offers intraLATA toll dialing parity via the two-PIC method.
- B. Certain types of calls may continue to be carried by the LEC for completion, rather than be routed automatically to the toll carrier selected by the customer.

2.19.5. Network Information

- A. Interexchange carriers will be subject to such network specifications as may be imposed by Company.
- B. All originating intraLATA calls will initially be routed via the Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) Access Tandem(s).

2.19.6. Customer Contact Information

- A. To the extent that there are participating Carriers, new Customers will be educated and informed of their ability to select interLATA and intraLATA toll providers at the time they request service from a Company representative. Company will educate its customers by explaining the differences between local, intra- and interLATA toll calls and by clearly notifying the Customer that he or she may select a different, or the same, Carrier for each call category.

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2.19.6. Customer Contact Information, Continued

- B. Company's Customer contact representatives will process Customer initiated PIC selections to Company or to a participating intraLATA Carrier. Participating Carriers will have the option of allowing Company's representative to process PIC requests on their behalf.
- C. For new Customers, Company will accept as a bona fide PIC a selection of "NO PIC" as a choice. Company will ensure that "NO PIC" Customers will have access code dialing capability to reach participating intraLATA Carriers. NO PIC Customers will be informed of their ability to complete intraLATA toll calls via access codes. Company will ensure that NO PIC Customer intraLATA toll traffic is not automatically routed to the incumbent local exchange carrier.
- D. Company Customer contact representatives will not comment on a Customer's choice of its intraLATA PIC when the Customer contacts Company to change the PIC. Company Customer contact representatives will respond to customer inquiries about intraLATA Carriers in a competitively neutral fashion.
- E. If the intraLATA toll Carrier selected by the customer permits Company to process orders on its behalf, Company will accept the PIC change request.
- F. Company representatives will not discuss alternative Carrier rates or services.

2.19.7. Presubscription Information

- A. Company may not impose a PIC change charge on its customers.
- B. New line Customers, including Customers adding lines, will have the opportunity to select a participating Carrier, or they will be assigned a NO PIC designation. Customers assigned a NO PIC designation as set forth in this paragraph will be required to dial an access code to reach an intraLATA carrier's network.

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2.19.7. Presubscription Information, Continued

- C. If a Company Customer denies requesting a change in intraLATA toll providers as submitted by an intraLATA Carrier, and the intraLATA carrier is unable to produce evidence that the PIC change was properly executed pursuant to Board and FCC PIC change rules, the intraLATA carrier will be assessed a \$75.00 charge for the unauthorized PIC change and the PIC will be changed as per the Customer's request, in addition to any charges assessed by Company or the underlying Carrier or other penalties authorized by law.
- D. Interexchange carriers may submit PIC changes to Company via a fax/paper interface.
- E. Company will process intraLATA PIC selections in the same manner and under the same intervals of time as interLATA PIC changes.
- F. Carriers will be required to submit PIC changes using the Customer Account Record Exchange (CARE) format via paper medium. Company will provide carriers with PIC order confirmation and reject information using the CARE format. Specific details regarding CARE will be provided to participating carriers.
- G. For Customers who change their local service provider from the incumbent LEC to Company and retain their incumbent LEC telephone number(s), Company, as part of the CARE PIC process, will provide the selected intraLATA carrier with both the retained (incumbent LEC) telephone number and Company telephone number.

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SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.20. CONSTRUCTION CHARGES AND OTHER SPECIAL CHARGES**

2.20.1. Service Entrance Facilities, Continued

A. Extensions to Serve New customers

1. Description/Regulations

- a. Applicant, as used herein, means the subdivider, developer, builder or owner applying for the construction of a telephone distribution system to serve one or more new customers.
- b. Extension means the construction or installation of plant and/or facilities by the Company to provide service from existing plant and/or facilities to one or more new customers, and also means the plant and/or facilities themselves. This term includes all plant and/or facilities for transmission and/or distribution, whether located on a public street or right of way, or on private property, including the wire, cable, pipe, conduit or other means of conveying a service from existing plant and/or facilities to each unit or structure to be served. The extension ends at the point where the service connects to the Rate Demarcation Point (“RDP”).
- c. The Company is not required to construct, own, operate or maintain an extension on any property unless the Company is legally authorized to do so, for example through an easement or right-of-way. The applicant shall ensure that the Company is provided with such legal authority, at no cost to the Company and with no requirement for condemnation of the property.
- d. In constructing and operating an extension, the Company shall use equipment and practices that meet all applicable requirements which are consistent with industry best practices and standards and the Company's minimum system design standards, unless requested otherwise by the applicant.

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2.20.1. Service Entrance Facilities, Continued

A. Extensions to Serve New customers, Continued

1. Description/Regulations, Continued

- e. Connections from the existing telephone distribution system to the underground system installed within the applicant's subdivision are made by an extension of existing facilities in the normal method of construction along the established route which will serve the subdivision. Where the electric utility involved provides such an extension by means of overhead facilities, the Company's facilities may also be provided by means of overhead construction.
- f. The Company, customers, applicants, developers, builders, municipal bodies and other persons shall cooperate fully in order to facilitate construction of an extension at the lowest reasonable cost consistent with system reliability and safety. This includes sharing trenches where practicable, and coordinating scheduling and other aspects of construction to minimize delays and to avoid difficult conditions such as frozen or unstable soils.
- g. If an applicant requests an extension that will serve both a designated growth area and an area not designated for growth, the Company will pay for, or financially contribute to, the portion of the extension that is necessary to serve a designated growth area, except as provided for herein. The Company will not pay for or contribute financially to the portion of the extension that will serve an area not designated for growth unless the area was determined to be exempt under N.J.A.C. 14:3-8.2.
- h. The Company is eligible to apply for cost recovery under a Targeted Revitalization Incentive Program (TRIP) charge in accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:3-10.

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2.20.1. Service Entrance Facilities, Continued

A. Extensions to Serve New customers, Continued

1. Description/Regulations, Continued

- i. The applicant shall furnish the items listed below without charge and in sufficient time in the judgment of the Company for it to meet service requirements:
 1. Rights-of-way and easements suitable to and without cost to or condemnation by the Company;
 2. The preliminary or tentative subdivision map which has been submitted to and approved by the appropriate authorities, showing the full layout of the subdivision to be developed in order to facilitate planning for the cables;
 3. The final subdivision map of the section of the subdivision which has received final approval of the appropriate authorities and which the applicant proposes to develop in the immediate future. The map shall be furnished in both paper and electronic (CADD) format;
 4. A written estimate of the date on which telephone service will initially be required and the time schedule for the full development of the section; and
 5. Documentation, which includes detailed plans of the development to enable the Company to determine if the development is in an "area designated for growth" as defined in N.J.A.C. 14:3-8.2 and depicted on a copy of the most current State Plan Policy map prepared by the State Planning Commission, or is in an area not designated for growth but has been determined to be exempt and eligible for the same treatment as an area designated for growth.

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2.20.1. Service Entrance Facilities, Continued

A. Extensions to Serve New customers, Continued

1. Description/Regulations, Continued

- j. An extension to non-residential development shall be made underground if the development does not have service and the extension is located in an area where local government or the Company requires the extension to be underground. It is the property owners' responsibility to provide a suitable path or two (2) four-inch conduits and associated structures in accordance with the Company's layout design and specifications from the public road into the building(s).
- k. The applicant or the Company may request a special exemption from the Board of Public Utilities if this requirement will result in a hardship, inequity, or will be discriminatory to other affected parties.
- l. An extension serving a residential development of three or more units shall be underground if the development does not have service and the extension will be placed along streets that are not already served by overhead facilities. It is the property owners' responsibility to provide a suitable path or two (2) four-inch conduits and associated structures in accordance with the Company's layout design and specifications from the public road into the building(s).

The applicant or the Company may request a special exemption from the Board of Public Utilities if this requirement will result in a hardship, inequity, or will be discriminatory to other affected parties.

SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.20. CONSTRUCTION CHARGES AND OTHER SPECIAL CHARGES, Continued**

2.20.1. Service Entrance Facilities, Continued

A. Extensions to Serve New customers, Continued

1. Description/Regulations, Continued

m. The Company will start construction only after all of the following conditions have been executed and met:

1. advanced construction payment and assigned contract of work,
 2. the rights-of-way or easements specified preceding are cleared of trees, tree stumps and other obstructions above or below grade at no charge to the Company to a width sufficient in its judgment to permit the use of machinery and equipment, and graded to within six inches of final grade by the applicant. Such clearance and grading must be maintained by the applicant during construction by the Company, and
 3. in a buried environment, furnish a trench meeting the standards and requirements of the Company. Should the applicant want to perform this work prior to the Company's scheduled construction start date, it must (i) obtain approval from the Company, and (ii) provide two (2) four-inch conduits and associated structures in accordance with the Company's layout design .(and specifications for the Company's use. The applicant will maintain the trench until all utilities have been installed, after which time the applicant is required to backfill the trench.
- n. Where practicable, as determined by the Company and the electric utility involved, electric and telephone facilities may be placed in the same trench. Where joint use of a trench is practical, the Company will not commence work on an underground system unless and until the applicant has satisfied all conditions precedent to the obligation of the electric utility as well as the Company to commence work on their respective underground systems.

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2.20.1. Service Entrance Facilities, Continued

A. Extensions to Serve New customers, Continued

1. Description/Regulations, Continued

- o. The charges specified in B. following are based on the premise that each applicant shall agree to cooperate with the Company in an effort to keep the cost of construction and installation of the underground telephone communication system as low as possible. This includes the scheduling of construction to preclude the necessity for trenching in frozen soils, or in land fill operations before soils have become stabilized.

Should unusual circumstances arise which would unreasonably delay underground service, temporary wires may be installed in whatever manner is most practical under the circumstances, provided, however, that such temporary wires shall be replaced as soon as practicable with a permanent underground service.

Upon approval by the Board of Public Utilities, excess costs, if any, due to temporary installations will be charged to the applicant.

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2.20. CONSTRUCTION CHARGES AND OTHER SPECIAL CHARGES, Continued

2.20.1. Service Entrance Facilities, Continued

B. Charge Treatment

1. Schedule of Charges

- a. The costs of an extension are the actual costs incurred to construct and install the extension, including materials and labor employed in the design, purchase, constructions, and/or installation of the extension, including overhead directly attributable to the work, as well as overrides or loading factors such as those for back-up personnel for mapping, records, clerical, supervision or general office functions.
- b. The estimated cost of each extension is prepared in the Contract of Work and determined on an individual case basis using the most recent costs. Where pavement cutting and restoration, rock removal, blasting, difficult digging conditions or special back fill is required, charges based on the costs involved may apply.
- c. The charges herein are in addition to the charges shown elsewhere in this Tariff for the furnishing of the Company's services.

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2.20.1. Service Entrance Facilities, Continued

B. Charge Treatment, Continued

2. Advance Construction Payments

An applicant will be required to pay deposits contained in the Contract of Work in the form of advance construction payments based on estimated costs. Such deposits will be held without payment of interest. In addition, in all cases, the applicant will be responsible for actual costs in excess of the advance construction payments. In the event that actual costs are less than any advance construction payments, the difference will be refunded to the applicant upon completion of the extension.

Where an applicant plans construction of a development in phases, the applicant shall indicate which phases are to be treated as separate development for the purposes of determining the amount of deposit and calculating any applicable refund formula. The deposit required for each phase of the extension shall be the cost of the extension required to serve that phase of the development. There are two types of advance construction payments that may be required of an applicant:

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2.20.1. Service Entrance Facilities, Continued

B. Charge Treatment, Continued

2. Advance Construction Payments

There are two types of advance construction payments that may be required of an applicant:

- a. Type 1 Deposits - are for extensions in "areas designed for growth" as defined in N.J.A.C. 14:3-8.2, or has been determined to be exempt and eligible for the same treatment as areas designed for growth. Type 1 Deposits may, be required by the Company and are subject to a 10-year refund formula. Any portion of a Type 1 Deposit remaining unrefunded 10 years from the date the Company is first ready to render service from the extension involved will be retained by the Company. In no event shall the Company refund more than the total Type 1 Deposit amount to the applicant. The following portions of Type 1 Deposits are not refundable:
 1. For any extension, the cost of extra service or of extra work required to provide standard service. If an applicant requests service that costs more than that which is standard, or if an extension presents an unusual situation in which providing standard service is substantially more expensive than usual, the Company may charge the applicant or the customer the extra expense.
 2. For any extension, the cost of the portion of the extension from the boundary of the property on which the new customers to be served are located (that is from the subdivision gate, or for an individual lot, from the curb of the lot) to the point where the service connects to the building.
 3. For an underground extension, the additional cost for underground service over and above the amount it would cost to serve those customers' overhead.

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2.20.1. Service Entrance Facilities, Continued

B. Charge Treatment, Continued

2. Advance Construction Payments, Continued

- b. Type 2 Deposits – are for extensions in areas not designated for growth and not exempt under N.J.A.C. 14:3-8.2. Type 2 Deposits are required from the applicant for the estimated cost and no portion of the deposit is subject to a refund; provided, however, in the event that actual costs are less than any advance construction payments, the difference will be refunded to the applicant upon completion of the extension as set forth herein.

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SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE

3.1. SERVICE AREAS

- 3.1.1. Unless otherwise specified in this Tariff, the local exchange boundaries and rate centers are the same as those served by Verizon – New Jersey, Inc., and Sprint Communications, Inc., (including any successor company to Sprint Communications, Inc., including but not limited to, Embarq, Inc., and CenturyLink, Inc.)
- 3.1.2. Company’s description of service area in no way compels Company to provide any Service in an area where facilities or other extenuating factors limit Company’s ability to provide Service.

3.2. TIMING OF CALLS

- 3.2.1. The Customer’s usage charge is based on the actual usage of Company’s service. Usage begins when the receiver of the called number is and terminated when either party hangs up.
- 3.2.2. There is no billing for incomplete calls.

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SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE**3.3. GRANITE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE**

3.3.1. **Local Exchange Service** provides a Customer with a voice-grade communications channel and unique telephone number address which enables the Customer to:

- place or receive calls to any calling station in the local calling area as defined in this Tariff;
- access enhanced 911 Emergency Service;
- access the interexchange carrier selected by the Customer for interLATA, intraLATA, interstate or international calling;
- access Operator Services;
- access Directory Assistance for the local calling area;
- place or receive calls to 800/888 telephone numbers;
- access Telecommunication Relay Service.

Basic telephone exchange service is provided on a measured and flat rate basis, and provides for calling within the local calling area on a per message or per minute basis as specified in Section 4.1.1. Basic exchange service consists of the appropriate dial tone line rate and local usage charges. Accumulation of local usage time is accounted for on a per second basis. At the end of the Customer's billing period, the sum of accumulated seconds is rounded up to the next higher minute.

3.3.2. **Directory Assistance Service** is provided as an ancillary service exclusively to the Company's Customers. Directory assistance is accessible by dialing "1", the area code of the desired number and "555-1212".

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3.3.3. **Operator Assistance Service** provides the Customer the ability to obtain the assistance of a local operator to complete local exchange telephone calls in the following manner. These services are not applicable within confinement facilities for use with inmate calling services.

- A. Third Number Billing provides the Customer with the capability to charge a local call to a third number which is different from the called or calling party. The party answering at the third number has the option to refuse acceptance of the charges in advance or when queried by the operator.
- B. Collect Calls provide the Customer with the capability to charge a call to the called party. On the operator announcement of a collect call, the called party has the option to refuse acceptance of charges in advance or when queried by the operator.
- C. Person to Person provides the Customer with the capability to place calls completed with the assistance of an operator to a particular station and person specified by the caller. The call may be billed to the called party.
- D. Station to Station provides the Customer with the capability to place calls completed with the assistance of an operator to a particular station. The call may be billed to the called party.
- E. General Assistance provides the Customer with the option to request general information from the operator, such as dialing instructions, county or city codes, area code information and Customer Service toll free telephone numbers, but does not request the operator to complete the call.

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SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, Continued**3.3. GRANITE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE, Continued****3.3.4. Custom Calling Features**

- A. Anonymous Call Rejection allows the Customer to have anonymous calls rejected.
- B. Busy Redial automatically stores and redials the last number the Customer dialed. If the Customer reaches a busy number, Busy Redial will monitor the number called and ring the Customer back when the number is available.
- C. Call Blocking allows the Customer to have incoming and/or outgoing calls blocked in a variety of manners.
- D. Call Forwarding allows the Customer to have calls rerouted to another telephone number.
- E. Call Pick Up allows the Customer to answer someone else's telephone call.
- F. Call Return automatically returns the most recent incoming call to the Customer, whether it was answered or not.
- G. Call Trace allows a Customer to initiate a trace of the last incoming call by dialing a code immediately after the call has ended.
- H. Call Waiting notifies the Customer of another incoming call on the same line that is being used.
- I. Call Waiting ID notifies the Customer of the identity of the caller on the same line that is being used.
- J. Caller ID identifies the telephone number, date and time of an incoming call on a Customer's display unit.
- K. Distinctive Ringing allows the Customer to program the phone so that distinctive ring tones are associated with specified incoming numbers.

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3.3. GRANITE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE, Continued

3.3.4. Custom Calling Features, Continued

- L. Repeat Dialing allows the Customer to program the phone to automatically redial a number until it is answered.
- M. Three-Way Calling allows a conversation between three parties. This is a teleconference feature without the need of equipment or additional lines.
- N. Speed Calling allows the Customer to pre-program a specified number of phone numbers so that a specified number may be called by pressing one or two digits.

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SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, Continued**3.4. ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY SERVICES (E911)**

E911 Service allows Customers to reach appropriate emergency services including police, fire and hospital. E911 has the ability to selectively route and emergency call to the primary E911 provider so that it reached the correct emergency service located closest to the caller. In addition, the Customer's address and telephone information will be provided to the primary E911 provider for display at the Public Service Answering Point (PSAP).

3.5. PROMOTIONAL OFFERINGS

The Company may, from time to time, make promotional offerings of its services which may include waiving or reducing the applicable charges for the promoted service. The promotional offerings may be limited as to the duration, the date and times of the offerings and the locations where the offerings are made.

3.6. CUSTOMER SPECIFIC PRICING (CSP):

When the Company furnishes a facility or Service for which a rate or charge is not specified in the Company's Tariff, or when the Company offers rates or charges which may vary from Tariff arrangements, rates and charges will be determined through Customer Specific Pricing (CSP). CSP arrangements are made in response to the specific, individual requirements of the Customer and/or a competitive bidding process, and may differ from the Company's standard Tariff offerings in that they contain a custom service arrangement and/or term and/or volume commitments.

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SECTION 4 - LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES**4.1. VERIZON SERVICE AREA - SERVICE CHARGES**

4.1.1. Business Local Exchange Service

A. Non-Recurring Charges

Installation 1-3 lines	\$120.00
Installation 4-10 lines	\$260.00
Installation 11+ lines	\$500.00
Service Charge	\$49.00
Record Change	\$29.00
Restoral Charge	\$31.00

B. Class of Service

Additional Line Message Rate Usage	\$19.39
Individual Additional Line Message Rate Usage	\$19.39
Individual Line Message Rate Usage	\$20.89
Cornerstone Custopak Local with Toll Vertical Package 2	\$21.00

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4.1. VERIZON SERVICE AREA - SERVICE CHARGES, Continued

4.1.1. Business Local Exchange Service, Continued

C. Calling Plans

Cornerstone Unlimited Local - Calling Plan	\$30.00
Cornerstone Unlimited Local - Toll Calling Plan (Exchange Access Line)	\$40.00

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SECTION 4 - LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES, Continued**4.1. VERIZON SERVICE AREA - SERVICE CHARGES, Continued**

4.1.2. Directory Services

A. Directory Listings

	<u>Monthly</u>	
Additional Listing	\$4.90	(I)
(Alternate Telephone Number, each)	\$4.90	
Foreign Additional Listing	\$4.90	(I)
Joint User-Message Service Listing	\$1.44	(I)
Non-Listed Listing	\$3.75	(I)
Non-Published Listing	\$3.70	(I)

B. Directory Assistance

Directory Assistance – Local	\$2.99	(I)
Directory Assistance – Regional	\$2.99	(I)
Directory Assistance – Call Completion	\$1.00	(I)
Directory Assistance – Operator Assisted	\$2.99	(N)

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4.1.4. Optional Features

	<u>Monthly</u>
700 and 900 Blocking Option	\$0.00
700 Block	\$0.00
900 Blocking Option	\$0.00
976 Restriction	\$0.00
Artificial Busy	\$0.81
Break Rotary Hunt Arrangement	\$8.65
Busy Redial (*66)	\$6.00
Call Block (*60)	\$6.06
Call Forwarding Busy Line	\$3.00
Call Forwarding Busy Line - Multiple Simultaneous	
Call Option	\$0.00
Call Forwarding Busy Line/Do not Answer	\$4.25
Call Forwarding Do Not Answer	\$4.25
Call Forwarding Dont Answer - Multiple Simultaneous	
Call Option	\$0.00
Call Forwarding Outside System	\$0.58
Call Forwarding Variable	\$6.25
Call Gate Service	\$5.75
Call Return (*69)	\$6.50
Call Trace (*57)	\$0.00
Call Waiting	\$9.00
Caller ID Deluxe	\$10.50
Caller ID Number Only	\$10.25
Collect and Third Number Blocking	\$0.00
Cornerstone Feature Package 1	\$20.00
Cornerstone Feature Package 2	\$21.00
DA Call Completion/Connect Request Block	\$0.00
Deny Call Trace	\$0.00
Hunting	\$0.00

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4.1.4. Optional Features

	Monthly	
Hunting Multi-Line	\$0.00	
Individual Additional Telephone Number	\$3.00	
International Call Block	\$0.00	
National 411 Block	\$0.00	
Operator Screening	\$10.50	
Preferred Telephone Number	\$0.00	
Priority Call	\$6.06	
Repeat Dialing & Call Return	\$4.00	
Repeat Dialing Denial	\$0.00	
Select Call Forwarding	\$6.06	
Selective Class of Call Screening	\$10.05	
Speed Calling - 30 code	\$5.00	
Speed Calling - 8 code	\$3.00	
Three Way Calling	\$4.75	
Three-way calling/Transfer	\$4.00	
Toll Restriction	\$0.00	
Toll Restriction	\$12.41	
Touch Tone Business	\$0.00	
Touch Tone Business - Trunk	\$0.00	
Touch Tone Central Office Trunk	\$5.11	
Ultra Forward (Call Forward/Remote Access)	\$8.50	
Remote Call Forward Line	\$26.00	
Remote Call Forwarding (out of state)	\$26.00	
Remote Call Forwarding Additional Path	\$26.00	
	<u>Per use</u>	<u>Cap</u>
*69 Denial (Deny Return Call)	\$0.00	N/A
Easy Number Block Pay Per Call	\$0.00	N/A
*69	\$0.75	
Repeat Dialing	\$0.75	
Call Trace	\$1.00	

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4.1.5. Centrex Services

A. Centrex Features	<u>Monthly</u>
Centrex Ultra Forward	\$8.50
Bundled Features - Custopak	\$0.00
Call Pick up and Hold	\$0.00
Call Pick up group	\$1.44
CALLER ID CLASS FEATURE PKG – CUSTOPAK	\$5.00
Centrex Call Block per line	\$1.50
Centrex Call Return	\$1.50
Centrex Caller ID	\$7.50
Centrex Caller ID	\$8.50
Centrex Caller ID Deluxe	\$8.50
Centrex Custopak Feature Package	\$5.00
Centrex Intercom Charge	\$3.86
Centrex Make Busy	\$8.09
Centrex Priority Call	\$1.50
Centrex Repeat Dialing	\$1.50
Centrex Select Forward	\$1.50

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4.1.5. Centrex Services, Continued

B. Centrex Features, Continued

	<u>Monthly</u>
CustoFlex 2100 - Bundled Feature Package	\$0.00
CustoFLEX 2100 Line	\$28.00
Ground Start Centrex	\$5.00
Hot Line Service	\$0.86
Touch Tone Custopak	\$0.00

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4.1.6. Foreign Exchange Services

	<u>Monthly</u>
Foreign Exchange Service	\$0.00
Foreign Exchange per exchange access line or PBX trunk	\$4.72
Foreign Exchange/Interexchange Channel Mileage	\$12.96
Interexchange Mileage for Type 1011 Local Channel	\$20.54

4.1.7. ISDN

	<u>Monthly</u>	(I)
A. Service Charges		
ISDN BRI Access	\$18.97	
B. ISDN Features		
	<u>Monthly</u>	(I)
BRI Electronic Key Feature Package	\$4.70	
Circuit Switched Data B Channel	\$5.99	
D Channel Packet-Switched Data (per service)	\$5.45	(I)
D Packet IntelliLinQ BRI Access,	\$11.55	
Flow Control Parameter Negotiation (ISDN)	\$0.25	
ISDN Access Line IntelliLinQ BRI	\$16.98	
ISDN/IntelliLinQ BRI - Circuit Switched Voice/Data	\$5.99	
Logical Terminal - Ckt Switched Voice B Channel	\$5.99	

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4.1.8. PBX Services

Monthly

PBX Trunk - Measured Service

\$24.35

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4.1.9. Private Line Services

Monthly

Alarm Circuit

\$0.00

Alarm Circuit Local Channel

\$29.99

Alarm Circuit Termination Address

\$0.00

Alarm Circuit Termination Point

\$0.00

Alarm Coupler

\$2.11

Analog Ckt - Foreign Exchange Interexchange Mileage

\$6.66

Analog Ckt - Local Channel - Different Exchange - Type 2011

\$57.62

Analog Ckt - Local Channel Different Exchange - 2021

\$76.13

Analog Ckt - Private Line Local Channel - Type 1005/Full Duplex

\$21.55

Analog Ckt Channel Protection CPE 9002

\$3.09

Analog Ckt Metering-Interexchange Mileage

\$30.59

Analog Ckt-Chan Cond C1 Inter-3002

\$2.15

Analog Ckt-Fgn Exc-Local Loop

\$1.90

Analog Ckt-Ring chg add PB Dif fferent Exchange

\$0.56

Analog Ckt-Supv Control/MiscSignal

\$14.16

Automatic ringing

\$1.53

Channel Mileage

\$30.59

Data Private Line Service

\$0.00

E & M Signaling Arrangements

\$0.91

Interoffice Channel - Type 3002

\$14.02

Interoffice Channel-Type 2005

\$14.16

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4.1.9. Private Line Services, Continued

	<u>Monthly</u>	
Local Channel - Type 2002	\$68.56	
Local Channel - Type 2014	\$56.88	(I)
Local Channel Different Exchange	\$42.49	
Local Channel Type 1011 - Different Exchange Service	\$11.56	
Local Channel Type 2011 - Same Exchange	\$53.33	
Local Channel-Interexchange Mileage	\$30.59	(I)
Local Distance Channel	\$418.98	
Misc. Signal Protection Alarm Service	\$0.00	(I)
Private Line - Voice Grade	\$0.00	(I)
Private Line Channels	\$14.16	
Private Line Interexchange Mileage	\$30.59	
Private Line Mileage	\$12.96	
Private Line Series 1000 (Used with CPE)	\$0.00	
Push Button Service--Same Exchange	\$0.73	
SERIES 1000 - USED WITH CPE	\$0.00	(I)
Signaling Arrangement Type A	\$0.61	
Interexchange Interoffice Mileage (Off Premise Ext.)	\$30.59	

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4.1.10. Key Services

Monthly

PBX Message Rate Hotel Trunk

\$22.35

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4.1.11. Direct Inward Dialing (DID)

Monthly

DID Working Telephone Number

\$0.00

DID (each additional group of 20)

\$20.00

DID Trunk Connection

\$38.97

Direct Inward Dialing Service (first group of 20)

\$20.00

Group Number Charge - Block of 20

\$17.43

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4.1.12. Local Calling

One local message unit applies for the initial period. The initial period for a local message is five minutes or fraction thereof. One local message unit applies to each overtime period. Each overtime period is five minutes or fraction thereof. Individual message rate service for business includes an allowance of 50 message units and touch-tone capability. Additional messages are \$0.10 per message unit.

4.1.13 Regional Calling

Mileage	Price per minute
0-10	\$0.09
11-15	\$0.12
16-20	\$0.13
21-end	\$0.15

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4.2.1. Business Local Exchange Service

A. Non-Recurring Charges

New Installs

1-3 lines	\$100
4-10 lines	\$200
11+ lines	\$300

Record Changes	\$15.00
Service Order Charge	\$25.00
No Trouble Found	\$85.00
Restoral	\$29.00

B. Recurring Charges (Monthly Unless Otherwise Specified)

Business Flat Rate Service	\$25.50
Business Unlimited Local Area Calling Rotary Line	\$25.50

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4.2.2. Directory Services

A. Directory Listings

Monthly

Additional Listing	\$2.00
Extra line directory listing	\$2.00
Foreign Listing	\$2.00
Listing - Associated Number	\$0.00
Non listed Telephone	\$2.00
Non-Published Listing	\$1.50
Non-Published Number	\$0.00

B. Directory Assistance

Directory Assistance – Local	\$2.99 per call
Directory Assistance – Regional	\$2.99 per call
Directory Assistance Call Completion	\$1.00 plus usage
Operator Assisted Directory Assistance	\$1.00 plus usage

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4.2.3. Optional Features

	<u>Monthly</u>
Billed Number Screening	\$0.00
Block Collect and Third Party Calls	\$0.00
Block Collect Calls - Billed Number Screening	\$0.00
Block Third Party Calls	\$0.00
Block-Per Line Blocking	\$0.00
Call Forward Busy	\$3.00
Call Forward Busy and Do Not Answer - No charge	\$0.00
Call Forward No Answer	\$3.00
Call Forwarding	\$5.00
Call Forwarding Fixed	\$5.00
Call Forwarding Group	\$3.00
Call Trace	\$0.00
Call Waiting	\$6.00
Call Waiting ID	\$5.00
Caller ID Number Only	\$8.60
Caller ID with Name	\$8.60
Calling Number Identification Blocking	\$0.00
Classic Calling Package	\$17.00
De-Activate Call Forward	\$0.00
Deny 700 & 900 Toll Blocking	\$0.00
Deny 900 Toll Blocking	\$0.00
Deny Directory Assistance Call Completion	\$0.00
Deny Voluntary Toll	\$0.00
Deny-Toll Block-Operator Screening	\$0.00

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	<u>Monthly</u>
Enhanced Call Forwarding	\$5.00
Guaranteed Disconnect	\$5.00
Line Hunt Group	\$0.00
Outward Toll Block	\$4.00
Remote Call Forward One Path	\$16.00
Remote Call Forward Three Paths	\$48.00
Remote Call Forward Two Paths	\$32.00
Repeat Dialing	\$5.00
Return Call	\$5.00
Selective Call Ring	\$5.00
Signal Ring Plus	\$5.00
Speed Dial 30→ D	\$6.00
Third Party Block All	\$0.00
Three Way Calling	\$5.00
Toll Blocking International	\$4.00
Touch Tone	\$0.00

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	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Per Use</u>
Call Return	\$0.00	\$1.25
Repeat Dialing	\$0.00	\$1.25
Automatic Callback	\$0.00	\$1.25
Call Trace	\$0.00	\$1.00
Three Way Calling	\$0.00	\$1.25
Deny Pay Per Use 3 Way Calling	\$0.00	\$0.00
Deny Pay Per Use Personal Messenger	\$0.00	\$0.00
Deny Pay Per Use Repeat Dial	\$0.00	\$0.00
Deny Pay Per Use Return Call	\$0.00	\$0.00
Deny PPU Call Trace	\$0.00	\$0.00
Deny PPU ERD Announcement	\$0.00	\$0.00

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4.2.4. Centrex Service

A. Service Charges

Monthly

Business Centrex Access Line

\$25.50

Centrex Analog MTM

\$30.00

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4.2.5. ISDN Services

A. Service Charges

	<u>Monthly</u>
ISDN-BRI Basic Flat Rate - Package S	\$35.00
ISDN-BRI Business 1 Pty Access Charge	\$25.50
XISDN BRI 2ND SBLN FL BMO	\$0.00
XISDN BRI 2ND SBLN FLT	\$0.00
XISDN Loop Extension	\$22.00

B. ISDN Features

	<u>Monthly</u>
BRI ISDN 2B PLUS D PKG-I	\$36.50

4.2.6. Private Line Services

	<u>Monthly</u>
Local Channel 2011	\$17.95
Mileage	\$0.00
Off Premise Extension	\$0.00

4.2.7. Key Services

	<u>Monthly</u>
Business Flat Rate Key Trunk	\$25.50
Key System Trunk with Rotary Service	\$30.00

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4.2.8. Local Usage (Zone 1)

All times and mileage bands	\$0.00 / minute
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4.2.9. Regional Calling

Rate	Mileage
\$0.10/minute	0-15 miles
\$0.15/minute	16-32 miles
\$0.25/minute	33+ miles

4.2.11. Rotary Access Service

	<u>Monthly</u>
For Each Business Line Equipped:	
- B1/Key Rotary	\$4.50
- PBX Rotary	\$4.50

4.2.12. Direct Inward Dialing (DID)

	<u>Monthly</u>
Blocks of Numbers:	
- Individual Numbers, per number	\$1.00
- Block of 20 DID Numbers	\$20.00
- Block of 100 DID Numbers	\$100.00

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4.2.13. Channel Services

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	<u>Monthly</u>
A. Series 1000 Channels	
Same Exchange Service (Local Channel):	
- Type 1005, Half Duplex	\$17.00
- Type 1005, Full Duplex	\$17.00
- Type 1011	\$9.95
Different Exchange Service (Interexchange):	
- Type 1005, First Mile	\$12.50
- Type 1005, Each Additional Mile	\$4.52
- Type 1011, First Mile	\$5.73
- Type 1011, Each Additional Mile	\$4.52
Different Exchange Service (Local Channel):	
- Type 1005, Half Duplex	\$15.60
- Type 1005, Full Duplex	\$15.60
- Type 1011	\$9.95

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	<u>Monthly</u>
B. Series 2000/3000 Channels	
Same Exchange Service (Local Channel):	
- Type 2001	\$12.50
- Type 2002	\$25.00
- Type 2011	\$17.95
- Type 2014	\$18.00
- Type 2021	\$17.19
- Type 2025	\$32.00
- Type 2026	\$9.04
- Type 2040	\$18.00
- Type 2043	\$13.00
- Type 3002, Half Duplex	\$24.81
- Type 3002, Full Duplex	\$39.50
Different Exchange Service (Interexchange):	
- All Types (except 2006A), First Mile	\$11.50
- All Types (except 2006A), Each Additional Mile	\$4.52
- Type 2006A, First Mile	\$10.50
- Type 2006A, Each Additional Mile	\$3.95
Different Exchange Service (Local Channel):	
- Type 2001	\$13.06
- Type 2002	\$29.50
- Type 2006	\$44.13
- Type 2006A	\$3.00
- Type 2011	\$19.95
- Type 2012	\$19.95
- Type 2014	\$19.95
- Type 2021	\$25.00
- Type 2025	\$26.45
- Type 2026	\$3.31
- Type 2040	\$18.63
- Type 2043	\$17.08
- Type 3002, Half Duplex	\$32.50
- Type 3002, Full Duplex	\$32.50

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4.2.14. Signaling Arrangements

Monthly

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A. Off Premises Station Line Channels

Signaling Arrangements, Each:

- Type A	\$0.44
- Type B	\$0.22
- Type C	\$0.11

E&M Signaling Arrangements, Each \$0.66

4.2.15. Primary Rate Interface (PRI)

Monthly

ISDN-PRI Primary Rate Access Line:

- Intraexchange, 1.544 Mbps	\$191.00
- PRI One-Way, per ISDN-PRI Access Line	\$83.00
- PRI Two-Way, per ISDN-PRI Access Line	\$108.00

B-Channel, Each Channel \$11.50

Initial D-Channel, Each Channel \$11.50

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SECTION 5 – SERVICE AREA EXCHANGES/RATE GROUPS**5.1. VERIZON LOCAL CALLING AREAS BY RATE GROUP**

5.1.1. Verizon – New Jersey, Inc.

<u>RATE GROUP</u>	<u>EXCHANGES</u>
A	Egg Harbor, Hopewell, Lambertville, Milford, Neshanic, New Egypt, New York, Newfoundland, Salem, Stroudsburg, Washington, West Milford.
B	Allentown, Asbury Park, Atlantic City, Atlantic Highlands, Avalon, Barnegat, Beach Haven, Bedminster, Berlin, Bernardsville, Boonton, Bridgeton, Brigantine, Burlington, Cape May, Cedarville, Dennisville, Dover, Elmer, Englishtown, Erskine Lake, Farmingdale, Florence, Fort Dix, Freehold, Glassboro, Hammonton, Hightstown, Holmdel, Hopatcong, Jamesburg, Keansburg, Keyport, Lakehurst, Manasquan, Marlton, Mays Landing, Medford, Mendham, Middletown, Millville, Monmouth, Mount Holly, Mullica Hills, Netcong, Oakland, Paulsboro, Pemberton, Pennington, Penns Grove, Penns Neck, Phillipsburg, Port Norris, Princeton, Ramsey, Red Bank, Riverdale, Riverside, Riverton, Sea Isle City, Somers Point, Succasunna, Swedesboro, Tuckahoe, Tuckerton, Ventnor, Vincentown, Vineland, Wenonah, Wildwood, Williamstown, Woodbury, Woodstown, Wyckoff
C	Beaver Brook, Blackwood, Bordentown, Bound Brook, Browntown, Caldwell, Camden, Carteret, Cherry Hill, Cliffside, Closter, Collingswood, Cranford, Dumont, Dunellen, Eatontown, Edison, Englewood, Ewing, Fords, Franklin Park, Gloucester, Haddonfield, Hillsdale, Lakewood, Laurel Springs, Leonia, Linden, Long Branch, Madison, Mercerville, Merchantville, Metuchen, Millington, Moorestown, Morristown, Mountain View, New Brunswick, Ocean City, Oradell, Palermo, Perth Amboy, Piscataway, Plainfield, Pleasantville, Point Pleasant, Rahway, Ridgewood, Rockaway, Roselle, Somerville, South Amboy, South River, Spring Lake, Summit, Toms River, Trenton, Warren, Westfield, Whippany, White Horse, Woodbridge

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SECTION 5 – SERVICE AREA EXCHANGES/RATE GROUPS**5.1. VERIZON LOCAL CALLING AREAS BY RATE GROUP**

5.1.1. Verizon – New Jersey, Inc., Continued

<u>RATE GROUP</u>	<u>EXCHANGES</u>
D	Bayonne, Belleville, Bloomfield, Elizabeth, Fair Lawn, Hackensack, Hackettstown, Haledon, Jersey City, Kearny, Little Falls, Little Ferry, Livingston, Millburn, Montclair, Newark, Nutley, Orange, Passaic, Paterson, Rochelle Park, Rutherford, Secaucus, South Orange, Union City, Unionville, West Orange,

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5.2. CENTURYLINK LOCAL CALLING AREAS BY RATE GROUP (T)

5.2.1. Centurylink Calling Areas (T)

RATE GROUP	EXCHANGES
1	Andover, Belle Mead, Belvidere, Blairstown, Bloomsbury, Branchville, Califon, Chester, Clinton, Columbia, Flemington, Franklin, Frenchtown, Grate Mead, Hampton, High Bridge, Hope, Lake Mohawk, Lebanon, Long Valley, Montague, Newton, Oldwick, Oxford, Sussex, Whitehouse.