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1. Access Line
 - 1.1 A circuit between a switching center and a customer's premises which includes a standard network interface (SNI).
2. Air Line Mileage
 - 2.1 The shortest distance between the points involved.
3. Building
 - 3.1 A structure under one roof, or two or more structures under separate roofs but connected by enclosed passageways, not crossing a public thoroughfare other than an alley, in which telephone wires or cables may be safely run. Pipes and conduits are not considered enclosed passageways.
4. Channel
 - 4.1 A path for communication or signaling between two or more locations which provide service to the general public, having the necessary equipment and operating arrangements for terminating and interconnecting customer lines and trunks.
5. Communications System
 - 5.1 A combination of equipment and facilities which fulfills the communication requirements of a customer.
6. Connecting Arrangement
 - 6.1 The equipment provided by the Company to accomplish the direct electrical connection of customer-provided facilities with the facilities of the Company.

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7. Contiguous Exchanges

7.1. Two exchanges whose boundaries adjoin.

8. Contiguous Property

8.1. Property owned or leased and occupied by a customer, which is not separated by public thoroughfare or by property occupied by others.

9. Contract

9.1. The service application-agreement between a customer and the Company under which service and/or facilities are furnished in accordance with the provisions of applicable tariffs and under special conditions.

10. Cost

10.1. The words "Cost" or "Actual Cost" as used in this tariff, are intended to cover the actual cost of material, labor, vehicles, and incidentals, plus a charge for administration.

11. Directory Listings

11.1. Essential information in the telephone directory or information records of the Company whereby telephone users may ascertain the telephone number of a listed customer.

12. Drop Wire

12.1. Wires between an open wire lead, aerial, or buried cable terminal and the point of entrance to the building in which the customer's telephone service is located.

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13. Extended Area Service (EAS)

13.1. Interexchange telephone service furnished at flat or specified rates between one or more exchanges.

14. Facilities

14.1. Instrumentalities, supplemental equipment, apparatus, wiring, poles, cables, and other materials and mechanisms necessary to, or furnished in connection with, telephone service.

15. Flat Rate Service

15.1. Service furnished at a fixed monthly rate.

16. Foreign Exchange (FX)

16.1. Any exchange other than that in which the customer is located.

17. Foreign Exchange Directory Listing

17.1. An alphabetical listing in the directory of an exchange other than the exchange in which a customer is furnished local service.

18. Foreign Exchange Service

18.1. Exchange service furnished to a customer from a central office located in an exchange other than that in which the customer's primary station is located, or off-premises station service furnished a customer in an exchange other than that in which the customer's primary station is located.

19. Grandfathered Equipment

19.1. Equipment classified by the FCC as having been directly connected to the network by a telephone company. Its use may be continued as long as the

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equipment remains serviceable and the circuitry is not revised.

20. Grandfathered Service

20.1. Existing service not available to new customers.

21. Instrumentalities

21.1. The telephone instruments, switching devices, and associated equipment, located on a customer's premises. In the case of private branch exchange service, the instrumentalities include the switchboard.

22. Joint User

22.1. An individual or concern authorized by the Company and the customer to share in the use of the customer's business telephone service. All arrangements regarding service must be made by the customer.

23. Line Connection

23.1. Installation of facilities provided by the Company for a circuit from the central office to the standard network interface, inclusive.

24. Local Private Line

24.1. A non-switched line located wholly within an exchange, furnished for the customer's own use for communication or signaling between points on that line.

25. Local Service

25.1. Telephone service furnished between customers' stations located within the same local service area.

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26. Local Service Area

26.1. The area within which telephone service is furnished under a specific schedule of rates. This area may include one or more exchanges without the application of toll charges.

27. Measured Service

27.1. A local service for which charges may be based upon: frequency, time-of-day, duration and distance.

28. Message

28.1. A completed customer telephone call.

29. Minimum Contract Period

29.1. The minimum length of time for which a customer is obligated to pay for service, facilities, and equipment, whether or not retained by the customer for such minimum length of time.

30. Network Interface

30.1. The points of common termination of company-provided and customer-provided facilities. Sometimes referred to as the standard network interface (SNI).

31. Non-listed Service

31.1. An arrangement whereby a customer's number is omitted from the telephone directory but not from the information records, at the customer's request.

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32. Non-published Service

32.1. An arrangement whereby a customer's listing is omitted from both the telephone directory and information records at the customer's request.

33. Nonrecurring Charge, (NRC)

33.1. A one-time charge covering installation, move or change of facilities accomplished at a customer's request.

(RT,
CT) 34. Premises

34.1. In multiple occupancy buildings a customer's premises are restricted to the portion of the building owned or leased by the customer. In single occupancy buildings or where more than one building is occupied by one firm or individual, the customer's premises includes the buildings occupied by the customer which are on contiguous property or are not separated by property occupied by others.

(CT) 35. Private Line

35.1. A line consisting of dedicated communication channels connecting two or more locations.

(CT) 36. Protector

36.1. (See Standard Network Interface).

(CT) 37. Public Telephone Service

37.1. A non-listed, non-customer exchange station installed for the convenience of the public at a location chosen or accepted by the Company. A coin collecting device may be provided for immediate collection of charges for each outgoing local and toll message.

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- (CT) 38. Rate
- 38.1. A recurring monthly assessment made in conjunction with the provision of a service.
- (CT) 39. Route Mileage
- 39.1. The distance measured along the route of the circuit between any two or more given points on that circuit.
- (RT,
CT) 40. Standard Network Interface
- 40.1. The points of common termination of company-provided and customer-provided facilities, sometimes referred to as the standard network interface (SNI) or demarcation point.
- (CT) 41. Tie Line
- 41.1. A circuit connecting two private branch exchange systems for the purpose of interconnecting the stations of one system with the stations of the other without the use of trunk lines to a central office of the Company.
- (CT) 42. Toll Message
- 42.1. A completed call between two exchange stations located in different local service areas, between the two toll stations, or between a toll station and an exchange station, for which charges are made on a per-unit basis.
- (CT) 43. Toll Rate
- 43.1. The rate prescribed for toll messages based upon the duration of the message, time of day, number of calls, and distance between exchanges (may be intrastate or interstate).

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(CT) 44. Toll Service

44.1. Telecommunications service between exchanges carried on the public switched network for which charges are made on a per-unit basis.

(CT) 45. Touch Calling (Tone Dialing, Touchtone, U-Touch, Dual Tone Multiple Frequency)

45.1. Where central office facilities are available, a type of high-speed address signaling (dialing) in which buttons in a bank of twelve can be depressed to give one of a group of audio tone pairs for signaling directly over the circuit.

(CT) 46. Trunk Line

46.1. A telephone circuit between two central offices or between a private branch exchange and a company central office.

(CT) 47. Utility Facilities

47.1. Includes all lines, right-of-way, installed equipment and buildings directly used in providing service to customers.

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