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Missouri Public Service Commission

RE:

Case No.

Application of Entrix Telecom, Inc. for Interexchange Authority and Initial Interexchange Tariff of Entrix Telecom, Inc.

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission you will find an original and 5 copies of the Application for Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services of Entrix Telecom, Inc., for filing with the Commission. Also enclosed for filing are an original and 5 copies of the initial Interexchange tariff of Entrix Telecom, Inc.

Thank you for assistance in the processing this filing. A copy is being served on the General Counsel and Public Counsel. Please contact me at 634-8109 if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann (Garr) ¥oung

Enclosures

CC:

General Counsel

Office of Public Counsel

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TITLE SHEET

MISSOURI INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TARIFF

OF

ENTRIX TELECOM, INC.

This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of service or facilities for Telecommunications Services furnished by Entrix Telecom, Inc. ("Entrix"), with principal offices at 520 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102-3111. This tariff applies for services furnished within the State of Missouri. This tariff is on file with the Missouri Public Service Commission, and copies may be inspected, during normal business hours, at the company's principal place of business.

Entrix operates as a competitive telecommunications company within the State of Missouri.

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WAIVERS

Entrix Telecom, Inc. is classified as a competitive telecommunications company is Missouri for which the following statutory and regulatory requirements are waived:

Statutes

Section 392.210.2	_	Uniform System of Accounts
Section 392.240.1	-	Just & Reasonable Rates
Section 392.270	-	Property valuation
Section 392,280	-	Depreciation rates
Section 392.290	-	Issuance of stocks and bonds
Section 392.300.2	-	Acquisition of Stock
Section 392.310	-	Issuance of stocks and debt
Section 392.320	-	Stock dividend payments
Section 392.330	-	Issuance of securities, debts and notes
Section 392.340	-	Reorganizations

Regulations

4 CSR 240-10.020	-	Depreciation fund income
4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C)	-	Posting exchange rates at central offices
4 CSR 240-30.040	-	Uniform System of Accounts
4 CSR 240-33.030	-	Inform customers of lowest price

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SYMBOLS

The following are the only symbols used for the purposes indicated below:

- (C) to signify change in regulation
- (D) to signify a deletion or discontinuance
- (I) to signify a rate increase
- (M) to signify material relocated in the tariff
- (N) to signify a new rate or regulation
- (R) to signify a rate reduction
- (T) to signify a change in text, but no change in rate or regulation

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SECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Access Line - An arrangement from a local exchange telephone company or other common carrier, using either dedicated or switched access, which connects a Customer's location to Entrix's location or switching center.

<u>Authorization Code</u> - A numerical code, one or more of which may be assigned to a Customer, to enable Entrix to identify the origin of the Customer so it may rate and bill the call. Automatic number identification (ANI) is used as the authorization code wherever possible.

Commission - Used throughout this tariff to mean the Missouri Public Service Commission.

<u>Customer</u> - The person, firm, corporation or other legal entity which orders the services of Entrix or purchases a Entrix Prepaid Calling Card and/or originates prepaid calls using such cards, and is responsible for the payment of charges and for compliance with the Company's tariff regulations.

<u>Company or Entrix</u> - Used throughout this tariff to mean Entrix Telecom, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

Holiday - New Year's Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Holidays shall be billed at the evening rate from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. After 11 p.m., the lower night rate shall go into effect.

<u>Prepaid Account</u> - An inventory of Telecom Units purchased in advance by the Customer, and associated with one and only one Authorization Code as contained in a specific Prepaid Calling Card.

<u>Prepaid Calling Card</u> - A card issued by the Company, containing an Authorization Code which identifies a specific Prepaid Account of Telecom Units, which enables calls to be processed, account activity to be logged, and balances to be maintained, on a prepayment basis.

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SECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (Cont'd)

<u>Telecom Unit</u> - A measurement of telecommunications service equivalent to one minute of usage between any two points within the State of Missouri.

<u>Telecommunications</u> - The transmission of voice communications or, subject to the transmission capabilities of the services, the transmission of data, facsimile, signaling, metering, or other similar communications.

<u>Underlying Carrier</u> - The telecommunications carrier whose network facilities provide the technical capability and capacity necessary for the transmission and reception of Customer telecommunications traffic.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS

2.1 <u>Undertaking</u> of the Company

This tariff contains the regulations and rates applicable to intrastate resold telecommunications services provided by Entrix for telecommunications between points within the State of Missouri. Resale services are furnished subject to the availability of facilities and subject to the terms and conditions of this tariff in compliance with limitations set forth in the Commission's rules. The Company's services are provided on a statewide basis and are not intended to be limited geographically. The Company offers service to all those who desire to purchase service from the Company consistent with all of the provisions of this tariff. Customers interested in the Company's services shall file a service application with the Company which fully identifies the Customer, the services requested and other information requested by the Company. The Company reserves the right to examine the credit record and check the references of all applicants and Customers. The Company may examine the credit profile/record of any applicant prior to accepting the service order or a Customer's deposit, if required. The service application and the deposit shall not in themselves obligate the Company to provide services or to continue to provide service if a later check of applicant's credit record is, in the opinion of the Company, contrary to the best interest of the Company. If service is denied, Customer deposits, if required, will be returned immediately. The Company may act as the Customer's agent for ordering access connection facilities provided by other carriers or entities when authorized by the Customer, to allow connection of a Customer's location to a service provided by the Company. The Customer shall be responsible for all charges due for such service arrangement. The Company does not own any switching, transmission or other physical facilities in Missouri.

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- 2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 2.1.1 The services provided by Entrix are not part of a joint undertaking with any other entity providing telecommunications channels facilities, or services, but may involve the resale of the Message Toll Services (MTS) and Wide Area Telecommunications Services (WATS) of underlying common carriers subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
 - 2.1.2 The rates and regulations contained in this tariff apply only to the resale services furnished by Entrix and do not apply, unless otherwise specified, to the lines, facilities, or services provided by a local exchange telephone company or other common carriers for use in accessing the services of Entrix.
 - 2.1.3 The Company reserves the right to limit the length of communications, to discontinue furnishing services, or limit the use of service necessitated by conditions beyond its control, including, without limitation: lack of satellite or other transmission medium capacity; the revision, alteration or repricing of the Underlying Carrier's tariffed offerings; or when the use of service becomes or is in violation of the law or the provisions of this tariff.

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2.2 <u>Use of Services</u>

- 2.2.1 Entrix's services may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with the transmission and switching parameters of the telecommunications facilities utilized in the provision of services, subject to any limitations set forth in this Section 2.2.
- 2.2.2 The use of Entrix's services to make calls which might reasonably be expected to frighten, abuse, torment, or harass another or in such a way as to unreasonably interfere with use by others is prohibited.
- 2.2.3 The use of Entrix's services 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.
- 2.2.4 Entrix's services are available for use 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.
- 2.2.5 Entrix does not transmit messages, but the services may be used for that purpose.
- 2.2.6 Entrix's services may be denied for nonpayment of charges or for other violations of this tariff.
- 2.2.7 Customers shall not use the service provided under this tariff for any unlawful purpose.
- 2.2.8 The Customer is responsible for notifying the Company immediately of any unauthorized use of services.

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2.3 <u>Liability of the Company</u>

- 2.3.1 The Company shall not be liable for any claim, loss, expense or damage for any interruption, delay, error, omission, or defect in any service, facility or transmission provided under this tariff, if caused by the Underlying Carrier, an act of God, fire, war, civil disturbance, act of government, or due to any other causes beyond the Company's control.
- 2.3.2 The Company shall not be liable for, and shall be fully indemnified and held harmless by the Customer against any claim, loss, expense, or damage for defamation, libel, slander, invasion, infringement of copyright or patent, unauthorized use of any trademark, trade name or service mark, proprietary or creative right, or any other injury to any person, property or entity arising out of the material, data or information transmitted.
- 2.3.3 No agent or employee of any other carrier or entity shall be deemed to be an agent or employee of the Company.
- 2.3.4 The Company's liability for damages, resulting in whole or in part from or arising in connection with the furnishing of service under this tariff, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or other defects or misrepresentations shall not exceed an amount equal to the charges provided for under this tariff for the long distance call for the period during which the call was affected. No other liability in any event shall attach to the Company.
- 2.3.5 The Company shall not be liable for and shall be indemnified and saved harmless by any Customer or by any other entity from any and all loss, claims, demands, suits, or other action or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted, or asserted by any Customer or any other entity for any personal injury to, or death of, any person or persons, and for any loss, damage, defacement or destruction of the premises of any Customer or any other entity or any other property whether owned or controlled by the Customer or others.

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- 2.3 <u>Liability of the Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 2.3.6 The Company shall not be liable for any indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages under this tariff including, but not limited to, loss of revenue or profits, for any reason whatsoever, including the breakdown of facilities associated with the service, or for any mistakes, omissions, delays, errors, or defects in transmission occurring during the course of furnishing service.
 - 2.3.7 The remedies set forth herein are exclusive and in lieu of all other warranties and remedies, whether express, implied, or statutory, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

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2.4 Responsibilities of the Customer

- 2.4.1 The Customer is responsible for placing any necessary orders and complying with tariff regulations. The Customer is also responsible for the payment of charges for services provided under this tariff.
- 2.4.2 The Customer is responsible for charges incurred for special construction and/or special facilities which the Customer requests and which are ordered by Entrix on the Customer's behalf.
- 2.4.3 If required for the provision of Entrix's services, the Customer must provide any equipment space, supporting structure, conduit and electrical power without charge to Entrix.
- 2.4. The Customer is responsible for arranging access to its premises at times mutually agreeable to Entrix and the Customer when required for Entrix personnel to install, repair, maintain, program, inspect or remove equipment associated with the provision of Entrix's services.
- 2.4.5 The Customer shall cause the temperature and relative humidity in the equipment space provided by Customer for the installation of Entrix's equipment to be maintained within the range normally provided for the operation of microcomputers.

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- 2.4 Responsibilities of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.6 The Customer shall ensure that the equipment and/or system is properly interfaced with Entrix's facilities or services, that the signals emitted into Entrix's network are of the proper mode, bandwidth, power and signal level for the intended use of the subscriber and in compliance with criteria set forth in this tariff, and that the signals do not damage equipment, injure personnel, or degrade service to other Customers. If the Federal Communications Commission or some other appropriate certifying body certifies terminal equipment as being technically acceptable for direct electrical connection with interstate communications service, Entrix will permit such equipment to be connected with its channels without the use of protective interface devices. If the Customer fails to maintain the equipment and/or the system properly, with resulting imminent harm to Entrix equipment, personnel or the quality of service to other Customers, Entrix may, upon written notice, require the use of protective equipment at the Customer's expense. If this fails to produce satisfactory quality and safety, Entrix may, upon written notice, terminate the Customer's service.
 - 2.4.7 The Customer must pay Entrix for replacement or repair of damage to the equipment or facilities of Entrix caused by negligence or willful act of the Customer or others, by improper use of the services, or by use of equipment provided by Customer or others.
 - 2.4.8 The Customer must pay for the loss through theft of any Entrix equipment installed at Customer's premises.
 - 2.4.9 If Entrix installs equipment at Customer's premises, the Customer shall be responsible for payment of any applicable installation charge.
 - 2.4.10 The Customer must use the services offered in this tariff in a manner consistent with the terms of this tariff and the policies and regulations of all state, federal and local authorities having jurisdiction over the service.

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- 2.5 <u>Cancellation or Interruption of Services (Cont'd)</u>
 - 2.5.1 Without incurring liability, upon five (5) working days' (defined as any day on which the company's business office is open and the U.S. Mail is delivered) written notice to the Customer, Entrix may immediately discontinue services to a Customer or may withhold the provision of ordered or contracted services:
 - 2.5.1.AFor nonpayment of any sum due Entrix for more than thirty (30) days after issuance of the bill for the amount due,
 - 2.5.1.BFor violation of any of the provisions of this tariff,
 - 2.5.1.CFor violation of any law, rule, regulation, policy of any governing authority having jurisdiction over Entrix's services, or
 - 2.5.1.DBy reason of any order or decision of a court, public service commission or federal regulatory body or other governing authority prohibiting Entrix from furnishing its services.
 - 2.5.2 Without incurring liability, Entrix may interrupt the provision of services at any time in order to perform tests and inspections to assure compliance with tariff regulations and the proper installation and operation of Customer and Entrix's equipment and facilities and may continue such interruption until any items of noncompliance or improper equipment operation so identified are rectified.
 - 2.5.3 Service may be discontinued by Entrix without notice to the Customer, by blocking traffic to certain countries, cities or NXX exchanges, or by blocking calls using certain Customer authorization codes, when Entrix deems it necessary to take such action to prevent unlawful use of its service. Entrix will restore service as soon as it can be provided without undue risk, and will, upon request by the Customer affected, assign a new authorization code to replace the one that has been deactivated.

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- 2.5 <u>Cancellation or Interruption of Services</u> (Cont'd)
 - 2.5.4 The Customer may terminate service upon thirty (30) days' written notice for the Company's standard month-to-month contract. Customer will be liable for all usage on any of the Company's service offerings until the Customer actually leaves the service. Customers will continue to have Company usage until the Customer notifies its local exchange carrier and changes its long distance carrier. Until the Customer so notifies its local exchange carrier, it shall continue to generate and be responsible for long distance usage.

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2.6 Credit Allowance

- 2.6.1 Credit allowance for the interruption of service which is not due to the Company's testing or adjusting, negligence of the Customer, or to the failure of channels or equipment provided by the Customer, are subject to the general liability provisions set forth in 2.3 herein. It shall be the obligation of the Customer to notify the Company immediately of any interruption in service for which a credit allowance is desired. Before giving such notice, the Customer shall ascertain that the trouble is not being caused by any action or omission by the Customer within his control, or is not in wiring or equipment, if any, furnished by the Customer and connected to the Company's facilities.
- 2.6.2 No credit is allowed in the event that service must be interrupted in order to provide routine service quality or related investigations.
- 2.6.3 Credit for failure of service shall be allowed only when such failure is caused by or occurs due to causes within the control of the Company or in the event that the Company is entitled to a credit for the failure of the facilities of the Company's Underlying Carrier used to furnish service.
- 2.6.4 Credit for interruption shall commence after the Customer notifies the Company of the interruption or when the Company becomes aware thereof, and ceases when service has been restored.
- 2.6.5 For purposes of credit computation, every month shall be considered to have 720 hours.
- 2.6.6 No credit shall be allowed for an interruption of a continuous duration of less than two hours

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2.6 <u>Credit Allowance</u> (Cont'd)

2.6.7 The Customer shall be credited for an interruption of two hours or more at the rate of 1/720th of the monthly charge for the facilities affected for each hour or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

Credit Formula:

Credit =
$$\frac{A}{720} \times B$$

"A" - outage time in hours

"B" - monthly charge for affected activity

2.7 Restoration of Service

The use and restoration of service shall be in accordance with the priority system specified in part 64, Subpart D of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Communications Commission.

2.8 Deposit

Pursuant to the Commission's rules, the Company reserves the right to examine the credit record of all service applicants and may require a deposit when determined to be necessary to assure future payment. When a deposit is collected, the Company will accrue interest of 9% annually upon the deposit.

2.9 Advance Payments

Entrix reserves the right to collect an advance payment from Customers in an amount not to exceed one (1) month's estimated charges as an advance payment for service. This will be applied against the next month's charges, and if necessary, a new advance payment will be collected for the next month.

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2.10 Payment and Billing

- 2.10.1 Service is provided and billed on a billing cycle basis, beginning on the date that service becomes effective. Billing is payable upon receipt. Except as specified in Section 2.13 below, interest at the rate of 1.5% per billing cycle, or the amount otherwise authorized by law, whichever is lower, will accrue upon unpaid amounts commencing thirty (30) days after rendition of bills.
- 2.10.2 The customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services furnished to the Customer, as well as to all persons using the Customer's codes, exchange lines, facilities, or equipment, with or without the knowledge or consent of the Customer. The security of the Customer's Authorization Codes, subscribed exchange lines, and direct connect facilities is the responsibility of the Customer. All calls placed using direct connect facilities, subscribed exchange lines, or Authorization Codes will be billed to and must be paid by the Customer. Recurring charges and non-recurring charges are billed in advance. The initial billing may, at Company's option, also include one-month's estimated usage billed in advance. Thereafter, charges based on actual usage during a month and any accrued interest will be billed monthly in arrears.
- 2.10.3 All bills are presumed accurate, and shall be binding on the customer unless objection is received by the Company in writing within 30 days after such bills are rendered. No credits, refunds, or adjustments shall be granted if demand therefore is not received by the Company in writing within such 30 day period.

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2.11 Collection Costs

In the event Company is required to initiate legal proceedings to collect any amounts due to Company for regulated or non-regulated services, equipment or facilities, or to enforce any judgment obtained against a Customer, or for the enforcement of any other provision of this tariff or applicable law, Customer shall, in addition to all amounts due, be liable to Company for all reasonable costs incurred by Company in such proceedings and enforcement actions, including reasonable attorneys' fees, collection agency fees or payments, and court costs. In any such proceeding, the amount of collection costs, including attorneys' fees, due to the Company, will be determined by the court.

2.12 Taxes

All federal, state and local taxes, assessments, surcharges, or fees, including sales taxes, use taxes, gross receipts taxes, and municipal utilities taxes, are included within a 20% tax which shall be deducted from prepaid calling card for services provided.

2.13 <u>Late Charge</u>

A late fee of 1.5% monthly or the amount otherwise authorized by law, whichever is lower, will be charged on any past due balances.

2.14 Returned Check Charge

A fee of \$10.00 will be charged whenever a check or draft presented for payment for service is not accepted by the institution on which it is written.

2.15 Location of Service

The Company will provide services to Customers and their end users within the State of Missouri.

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SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE

3.1 <u>Computation of Charges</u>

- 3.1.1 The total charge for each completed call may be a variable measured charge dependent on the duration, distance and time of day of the call. The total charge for each completed call may also be dependent only on the duration of the call, i.e. a statewide flat rate per minute charge. The variable measured charge is specified as a rate per minute which is applied to each minute. Calls are measured in initial three-minute increments with the final minute rounded up to a five-minute increment.
- 3.1.2 Where mileage bands appear in a rate table, rates for all calls are based upon the airline distance between the originating and terminating points of the call, as determined by the vertical and horizontal coordinates associated with the exchange (the area code and three-digit central office code) associated with the originating and terminating telephone numbers. If the Customer obtains access to the Company's network by a dedicated access circuit, that circuit will be assigned an exchange for rating purposes based upon the Customer's main telephone number at the location where the dedicated access circuit terminates. The vertical and horizontal (V & H) coordinates for each exchange and the airline distance between them will be determined according to industry standards.
- 3.1.3 Timing begins when the called station is answered and two-way communication is possible, as determined by standard industry methods generally in use for ascertaining answer, including hardware answer supervision in which the local telephone company sends a signal to the switch or the software utilizing audio tone detection. Recognition of answer supervision is the responsibility of the Underlying Carrier. Timing for each call ends when either party hangs up. Entrix will not bill for uncompleted calls.

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3.2 <u>Customer Complaints and/or Billing Disputes</u>

Customer inquiries or complaints regarding service or accounting may be made in writing or by telephone to the Company at:

520 Broad Street Newark, New Jersey 07102-3111 (800) 889-9126

Any objection to billed charges should be reported promptly to Entrix. Adjustments to Customers' bills shall be made to the extent that records are available and/or circumstances exist which reasonably indicate that such charges are not in accordance with approved rates or that an adjustment may otherwise be appropriate. Where overbilling of a subscriber occurs, due either to Company or subscriber error, no liability exists which will require the Company to pay any interest, dividend or other compensation on the amount overbilled.

If notice of a dispute as to charges is not received in writing, by telephone, or in person by the Company, within thirty (30) days after an invoice is rendered, such invoice shall be deemed to be correct and binding upon the Customer.

3.3 Level of Service

A Customer can expect end to end network availability of not less than 99% at all times for all services.

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3.4 <u>Billing Entity Conditions</u>

When billing functions on behalf of Entrix or its intermediary are performed by local exchange telephone companies or others, the payment of charge conditions and regulations of such companies and any regulations imposed upon these companies by regulatory bodies having jurisdiction apply. Entrix's name and toll-free telephone number will appear on the Customer's bill.

3.5 Service Offerings

3.5.1 Prepaid Toll Free Calling Cards

This service permits the use of prepaid calling cards for placing calls within the State. Customers may purchase Prepaid Toll Free Calling Cards at a variety of retail outlets or through other distribution channels. These cards are available in face values of \$5.00, \$10.00, and \$20.00 and are non-refundable.

Prepaid Toll Free Calling Cards are accessed using a toll free number telephone number printed on the card. The caller is prompted by an automated voice response system to enter his/her Authorization Code and then to enter the terminating telephone number. The Company's processor tracks the call duration on a real time basis to determine the cost consumed. The total consumed cost for each call is deducted from the remaining balance on the card.

All calls must be charged against a card that has a sufficient balance. These cards are not rechargeable, and all calls will be interrupted when the balance on the cards reaches zero. Cardholders may dial another telephone number while using the card by depressing the pound (#) button and entering in the new telephone number.

A credit allowance for Prepaid Toll Free Calling Cards is applicable to calls that are interrupted due to poor transmission, one-way transmission, or involuntary disconnection of a call. To receive proper credit, the Customer must notify the Company at the designated toll-free customer service number printed on the card and furnish the called number, the trouble experienced (e.g. cut off, noisy circuit, reached wrong number, etc.) and the approximate time the call was placed.

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3.5 Service Offerings (Cont'd)

3.5.1 <u>Prepaid Toll Free Calling Cards</u> (Cont'd)

When a call charged to a Prepaid Toll Free Calling Card is interrupted due to cut-off, one-way transmission, or poor transmission conditions, the Customer will receive a credit equivalent of one minute. Credit allowances for do not apply for interruptions not reported promptly to the Company or interruptions that are due to failure of power, equipment or systems not provided by the Company.

Certain calls may not be completed using the Prepaid Toll Free Calling Card. These include operator services, busy line verification service, interruption service, calls requiring time and charges, air-to-ground calls, marine/satellite calls, and calls placed via dialing a 700 or 900 number.

Prepaid Toll Free Calling Cards expire ninety (90) days after initial use.

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3.5 Service Offerings (Cont'd)

3.5.2 Prepaid Local Access Calling Cards

This service permits the use of prepaid calling cards for placing calls within the State. Customers may purchase Prepaid Local Access Calling Cards at a variety of retail outlets or through other distribution channels. These cards are available in face values of \$5.00, \$10.00, and \$20.00 and are non-refundable.

Prepaid Local Access Calling Cards are accessed using a local access number telephone number printed on the card. The caller is prompted by an automated voice response system to enter his/her Authorization Code and then to enter the terminating telephone number. The Company's processor tracks the call duration on a real time basis to determine the cost consumed. The total consumed cost for each call is deducted from the remaining balance on the card.

All calls must be charged against a card that has a sufficient balance. These cards are not rechargeable, and all calls will be interrupted when the balance on the cards reaches zero. Cardholders may dial another telephone number while using the card by depressing the pound (#) button and entering in the new telephone number.

A credit allowance for Prepaid Local Access Calling Cards is applicable to calls that are interrupted due to poor transmission, one-way transmission, or involuntary disconnection of a call. To receive proper credit, the Customer must notify the Company at the designated toll-free customer service number printed on the card and furnish the called number, the trouble experienced (e.g. cut off, noisy circuit, reached wrong number, etc.) and the approximate time the call was placed.

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3.5 Service Offerings (Cont'd)

3.5.2 Prepaid Local Access Calling Cards (Cont'd)

When a call charged to a Prepaid Local Access Calling Card is interrupted due to cutoff, one-way transmission, or poor transmission conditions, the Customer will receive a credit equivalent of one minute. Credit allowances for do not apply for interruptions not reported promptly to the Company or interruptions that are due to failure of power, equipment or systems not provided by the Company.

Certain calls may not be completed using the Prepaid Local Access Calling Card. These include operator services, busy line verification service, interruption service, calls requiring time and charges, air-to-ground calls, marine/satellite calls, and calls placed via dialing a 700 or 900 number.

Prepaid Local Access Calling Cards expire ninety (90) days after initial use.

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3.5 <u>Service Offerings</u> (Cont'd)

3.5.3 Directory Assistance

Entrix does not provide local directory assistance. Access to long distance directory assistance is obtained by dialing 1 + 555-1212 for listings within the originating area code and 1 + (area code) + 555-1212 for other listings. When more than one number is requested in a single call, a charge may apply for each number requested. A charge will be applicable for each number requested, whether or not the number is listed or published.

3.5.4 Specialized Pricing Arrangements

Customized service packages and competitive pricing packages at negotiated rates may be furnished on a case-by-case basis in response to requests by Customers to the Company for proposals or for competitive bids. Service offered under this tariff provision will be provided to Customers pursuant to contract. Unless otherwise specified, the regulations for such arrangements are in addition to the applicable regulations and prices in other sections of the tariff. Specialized rates or charges will be made available to similarly situated Customers on a non-discriminatory basis.

3.5.5 <u>Emergency Call Handling Procedures</u>

Emergency "911" calls are not routed to company, but are completed through the local network at no charge.

3.5.6 Promotional Offerings

The Company may, from time to time, make promotional offerings to enhance the marketing of its services. These offerings may be limited to certain dates, times and locations. The Company will notify the Commission of such offerings as required by Commission rules and regulations.

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SECTION 4 - RATES

4.1 <u>Prepaid Toll Free Calling Cards</u>

Prepaid Toll Free Calling Cards may be used as listed below, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, three hundred and sixty-five days a year.

The Intrastate Usage Rates for Prepaid Toll Free Calling Cards are:

\$0.50 per minute rate.

\$1.00 per-call connection rate.

A bi-weekly service charge of \$0.79 shall be applied after its first use and every fourteen (14) days thereafter.

A surcharge of \$0.65 shall be applied to each completed call made from a payphone using a Prepaid Toll Free Calling Card.

4.2 <u>Prepaid Local Access Calling Cards</u>

Prepaid Local Access Calling Cards may be used as listed below, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, three hundred and sixty-five days a year.

The Intrastate Usage Rates for Prepaid Local Access Calling Cards are:

\$0.50 per minute rate.

\$1.00 per-call connection rate.

A bi-weekly service charge of \$0.79 shall be applied after its first use and every fourteen (14) days thereafter.

4.3 Directory Assistance

A surcharge per call of \$1.00 shall apply to all Directory Assistance calls made using a Prepaid Toll Free Calling Card.

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