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## SECTION 1 - DEFINITION OF TERMS

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff for Communications Service of this Company are defined below.

Advance Payment: Part or all of a payment required before the start of service.

Authorized User: A person, firm or corporation which is authorized by the Customer or Joint User to be connected to the service of the Customer or Joint User, respectively.

Bit: The smallest unit of information in the binary system of notation.

Commission: Missouri Public Service Commission

Company: Level 3 Communications, LLC, the issuer of this tariff.

Customer: The person, firm or corporation who provides inter-exchange services and who purchases service and is responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with the Company's regulations.

Dedicated: A facility or equipment system or subsystem set aside for the sole use of a specific Customer.

End Office: The term "end office" denotes the switching system office or serving wire center where Customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and/or to trunks.

End User: A non-carrier customer of an intrastate telecommunications service. If a carrier uses telecommunications service for administrative purposes, it shall be deemed be an End User. [N]  
| [N]

Individual Case Basis (ICB): A service arrangement in which the regulations, rates and charges are developed based on the specific circumstances of the case.

Interconnect Carrier: Any carrier that connects to Company's network for exchange of communications traffic.

Joint User: A person, firm or corporation which is designated by the Customer as a user of services furnished to the Customer by the Company and to whom a portion of the charges for the service will be billed under a Joint User arrangement as specified in the Company's tariff.

LATA: A Local Access and Transport Area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgement entered by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in Civil Action No. 82-0192; or any other geographic area designated as a LATA in the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4.

Major Service Interruption: An interruption of Customer service due to the Company's negligence or due to its noncompliance with the provisions of this tariff.

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**SECTION 1 - DEFINITION OF TERMS (CONT'D)**

PIU: Percent Interstate Usage

Premises: The space occupied by a Customer, Authorized User or Joint User in a building or buildings or contiguous property (except railroad rights-of-way, etc.) not separated by a highway.

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

Service Commencement Date: The first day following the date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the requested service or facility is available for use, unless extended by the Customer's refusal to accept service which does not conform to standards set forth in the Service Order or the tariffs of the Company, in which case the Service Commencement Date is the date of the Customer's acceptance. The Company and Customer may mutually agree on a substitute Service Commencement Date. In the case of Tandem Connect service ordered under option (2) of Section 12.1.1.2, the Service Commencement Date is the date on which the Customer first sends Switched Access Service traffic to the Company or accepts Switched Access Service traffic from the Company.

Service Order: A written request for Company Services that may be submitted by the Customer in the format devised by the Company. The signing of a Service Order by the Customer and acceptance by the Company will initiate the respective obligations of the parties as set forth herein, but the duration of the service is calculated from the Service Commencement Date.

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

Switched Access Service: Access to the switched network of an Exchange Carrier for the purpose of originating or terminating communications. Switched Access service includes Local Switching, Local Transport, and Carrier Common Line. [N]  
[N]

Toll Free: The terms "Toll Free" or "Toll Free Service" refer to an inbound telecommunications service which permits calls to be completed to the customer's location without charge to the calling party. Access to the service is gained by dialing a ten-digit telephone number which terminates at the customer's location or a location designated by that customer. Toll Free Services typically originate via normal shared use facilities and are terminated via the customer's local exchange service access line. [N]  
[N]

Transmission: The sending of electrical or optical signals over a line to a destination.

User: A Customer, Joint User, or any other person authorized by a Customer to use service provided to the Customer under a Level 3 Communications, LLC tariff.

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**SECTION 3 – OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER (CONT'D)**

- 3.4.1 Originating Access: Originating access minutes may be based on traffic originating at the State, LATA or local Switching Center level, provided that the traffic being measured is only traffic originating from the Company Local Switching Center(s). The Customer must provide the Company with a projected PIU factor on a quarterly basis as specified below. Originating access minutes will be measured as follows, based on type of access:
- 3.4.1.1 For Feature group D Switched Access Services, as defined in Section 14.2.1, where the Company can determine jurisdiction by its call detail, the projected PIU will be developed by the Company on a quarterly basis by dividing the measured interstate originating minutes by the total measured originating access minutes. [T]
- 3.4.1.2 For Feature Group D with 950 Access as defined in Section 14.2.1, the Customer must provide the Company with a projected PIU factor by supplying the Company with an interstate percentage of originating access minutes.
- 3.4.1.3 For 500, 700, Toll Free 8YY, calling card and operator service access, the Customer must provide the Company with a projected PIU factor for each type of access. The Customer who provides a PIU factor shall supply the Company with an interstate percentage of originating access minutes. The PIU factor will be used to determine the jurisdiction for billing purposes of 500, 700, Toll Free 8YY, calling card and operator service access. Originating Access charges will not apply to a Toll Free call that utilizes Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service as described in Section 14.2.9(B). [T]  
[N]  
[N]
- 3.4.1.4 If no PIU for originating minutes is submitted as specified herein, then the projected PIU will be set on a default basis of 50 percent interstate traffic and 50 percent intrastate traffic.
- 3.4.2 Terminating Access: For Feature Group D Switched Access Services, the Customer must provide the Company with a projected PIU factor by supplying the Company with an interstate percentage of terminating access minutes on a quarterly basis, as described in Section 3.4.4 below. If no projected PIU factor is submitted by the Customer, then the projected PIU will be set on a default basis at the same percentage as the originating PIU.
- 3.4.3 Except where the Company measured access minutes are used as set forth in 3.4.1 above, the Customer reported projected PIU factor as set forth above will be used until the Customer reports a different projected PIU factor, as set forth below. The revised report will serve as the basis for future billing and will be effective on the next bill date.

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## SECTION 13 – CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE

The Company will provide Carrier Common Line Access Service (Carrier Common Line Access) to customers in conjunction with Switched Access Service provided in Section 14 of this Tariff. Carrier Common Line Access Service will not apply where the Company provides Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service. [N]  
[N]  
[N]

### 13.1 General Description

Carrier Common Line Access provides for the use of end users' Company provided common line by Customers for access to such End Users to furnish Communications Services.

### 13.2 Limitations

#### 13.2.1 Exclusions

Neither a telephone number nor detail billing are provided with Carrier Common Line Access. Additionally, directory listings and intercept arrangements are not included in the rates and charges for Carrier Common Line Access.

#### 13.2.2 Access Groups

All trunk side connections provided in the same access group will be limited to the same features and operating characteristics.

### 13.3 Undertaking of the Company

#### 13.3.1 Provision of Service

Where the Customer is provided Switched Access Service under other sections of this Tariff, the Company will provide the use of Company common lines by a Customer for access to End Users at rates and charges as set forth in 15.1.3 following.

#### 13.3.2 Interstate and Intrastate Use

The Switched Access Service provided by the Company includes the Switched Access Service provided for both interstate and intrastate communications. The Carrier Common Line Access rates and charges as set forth in 15.1.3.4.2 following apply to intrastate Switched Access Service access minutes when the Company provides common line service with other Switched Access Services. [N]  
[N]

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When the 10XXX Access Code is used, FGD switching also provides for dialing the digit 0 for access to the Customer's operator, or the end-of-dialing digit (#) for cut-through access to the Customer's Premises.

In addition, End Users may originate calls by dialing the 950-XXXX Access Code specific to a particular Interexchange Carrier, provided that the Interexchange Carrier has subscribed to the Company's Feature Group D with 950 Access Common Switching Optional Feature. If the End User is presubscribed to that Interexchange Carrier, no Access Code is necessary.

**14.2.2 Manner of Provision**

Trunks used for Switched Access Service may be configured for one-way (either originating only or terminating only) or for two-way directionality. It is the Customer's responsibility to order a sufficient number of trunks of each type in order to meet its desired grade of service objective. At the Customer's request, the Company will assist the Customer in sizing Switched Access Trunk groups.

**14.2.3 Rate Categories**

The following rate categories apply to Switched Access Service:

- A. Direct Connect
- B. Tandem Connect

14.2.3.1 Except as stated as follows, Tandem Connect Service is provided in conjunction with the tandem provider serving the area. Charges are computed in accordance with Section 4.2.8 preceding (Ordering, Rating, and Billing of Access Services Where More Than One Exchange Carrier is Involved). Customer may select either Direct Connect or Tandem Connect. If no selection is made, the Company shall use the Tandem Connect method of traffic delivery,

[N]  
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[N]

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- 14.2.3.2 Direct Connect: As a Customer selected option, the Company will provide Direct connects, between the Customer's Premises and the Company's Local Switching Center switch(es). This transmission path is dedicated to the use of a single Customer. DS3 facilities are available for Direct Connect Service.. A DS3 facility is capable of transmitting electrical signals at a nominal 44.736 Mbps, with the capability to channelize up to 672 voice-frequency transmission paths. For DS3 facilities, if the Company is required to install additional fiber optic equipment for the benefit of the Customer, then the Customer has the option to choose either an optical or electrical interface. This Direct Connect rate category is comprised of a monthly Entrance Facilities charge and a per minute of use Local End Office Switching charge as specified in 15.1.3.4. Customers who select the Direct Connect option will not be billed Switched Transport Usage Rates, Switched Termination, Tandem Transport, or Tandem Termination. [N]
- 14.2.3.3 Tandem Connect: Tandem Connect consists of circuits from the point of interconnection with Customer's tandem provider to the Company's Local Switching Center. This Tandem Connect rate category will be billed based on the Minutes of Use (MOU) measured for the End-Office switching and switched transport charges. [N]  
[T]  
[T]

## 14.2.4 Design Layout Report:

At the request of the Customer, the Company will provide to the Customer the makeup of the facilities and services provided from the Customer's Premises to the first point of switching. This information will be provided in the form of a Design Layout Report. The Design Layout Report will be provided to the Customer at no charge.

## 14.2.5 Acceptance Testing:

At no additional charge, the Company will, at the Customer's request, cooperatively test, at the time of installation, the following parameters: loss, C-notched noise, C-message noise, 3-tons slope, d.c. continuity and operational signaling.

## 14.2.6 Ordering Options and Conditions:

Switched Access Service is ordered under the Access Order provisions set forth in Section 12. Also included in that section are other charges which may be associated with ordering Switched Access Service.

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- 14.2.7 Competitive Pricing Arrangements:  
Competitive pricing arrangements for Local Transport - Entrance Facilities and Local Transport-Direct Trunked Transport can be furnished to meet the communications needs of specific Customers on a case by case basis under individual contracts. [D]
- 14.2.8 Determination of Charges
- (A) Except as set forth in 14.2.8(B) below, the Originating Access, per minute charge(s) apply to: [T] [L]
- (1). all Originating Access minutes of use associated with calls placed to 700 numbers, 900 numbers, and Toll Free 8YY numbers for which the Customer furnishes service,
  - (2). all Originating Access minutes of use where the off-hook supervisory signaling is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers, [T]
- (B) **Exception:** The following are exempted from the application of the originating access charge elements of Carrier Common Line, Local End Office Switching, Switched Transport Usage, and Switched Termination. [N]  
[N]  
[N]
- (1). all Originating Access minutes of use associated with calls placed to 700 numbers, 900 numbers, and Toll Free 8YY numbers where such Toll Free traffic utilizes the Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service in Sections 14.2.9(B). [T]  
[N]  
[N]
  - (2). all Originating Access minutes of use originating from a wireless carrier's Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs) including any MTSO owned by the Company. [T]  
[N] [L]
- 14.2.9 Other Rate Categories [N]
- (A) Toll Free Data Base Access Service  
Toll Free Data Base Access Service is a service offering that utilizes originating trunk side Switched Access Service to deliver Toll Free calls to the Company's Interexchange Carrier Customers. The service provides for the forwarding of end user dialed Toll Free calls to a Company Service Switching Point which will initiate a query to the database to perform the Customer identification and delivery function. The call is forwarded to the appropriate Interexchange Carrier Customer based on the dialed Toll-Free number. Records exchange, rating and billing for Toll Free Data Base Access Service is subject to the provisions of the Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing Guidelines (MECAB).
- (1) Customer Identification Charge  
The Toll Free Data Base Access Service Customer Identification Charge applies for the identification of the appropriate Interexchange Carrier Customer. The charge is assessed to the Customer on a per query basis and may include an area of service which may range from a single NPA/NXX to an area consisting of all LATAs and NPAs in the State of Missouri. The per query Customer Identification Charge is set forth in Section 15.1.3.6.
  - (2) Customer Delivery Charge  
The Toll Free Data Base Access Service Delivery Charge applies for the delivery of the dialed Toll-Free ten-digit number. The charge is assessed to the Interexchange Carrier Customer on a per query basis and may include an area of service which may range from a single NPA/NXX to an area consisting of all LATAs and NPAs in the State of Missouri. The per query Customer Delivery Charge is set forth in Section 15.1.3.6. [N]

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**SECTION 14 – SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE (CONT'D)****14.2.9 Other Rate Categories (cont'd)****(B) Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service**

Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service is an access service in which the Company transports Toll Free traffic originated by a third party who is not an end user or other user of the Company's local exchange or exchange access service through its wire center to an Interexchange Carrier Customer. It provides for the use of the Tandem Switching, Tandem Termination, and Tandem Transport facilities of the Company. In a Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service call, the Company will not charge Carrier Common Line, Local End Office Switching, or End Office Port charges. The rates for Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service set forth in Section 15.1.3.7 are usage sensitive. Records exchange, rating, and billing for Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service is subject to the provisions of the Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing Guidelines (MECAB).

[N]

**(C) Pay Telephone Compensation**

When a Toll-Free number is dialed from a payphone and carried over the Company's facilities to an Interexchange Carrier Customer, the Interexchange Carrier Customer, or a successive carrier, may be responsible for compensating the Pay Telephone Service Provider ("PSP") in accordance with the rules prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"). If the Interexchange Carrier Customer is not capable of reporting and/or remitting Pay Telephone Compensation as prescribed by the FCC, it may contract with the Company to provide that service for an additional fee. Unless the Interexchange Carrier requests such service, no Pay Telephone Compensation charge will be assessed by the Company to the Interexchange Carrier.

[N]

**14.3 Obligations of Company**

[L]

In addition to the obligations of the Company set forth in other sections of this tariff. The Company has certain other obligations concerning the provision of Switched Access Service. These obligations are as follows:

**14.3.1 Network Management**

The Company will administer its Network to ensure the provision of acceptable service levels to all telecommunications users of the Company's Network Services.

Service levels are considered acceptable only when both End Users and Customers are able to establish connections with little or no delay encountered within the Company Network. Company reserves the right to apply protective controls, (i.e., those actions, such as call gapping, which selectively cancel the completion of traffic), over any traffic carried over its Network, including that associated with a Customer's Switched Access Service. Generally, such protective measures would only be taken as a result of occurrences such as failure or overload of Company or Customer facilities, natural disasters, mass calling or national security demands. Customer will notify Company of anticipated peaked services as stated below. Based on the information provided Company will work cooperatively with Customer to determine the appropriate level of control. In the event that the protective controls applied by Company result in the complete loss of service by Customer, Customer will be granted a credit allowance for service interruption as set forth in Section 9.

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**SECTION 15 – RATES AND CHARGES****15.1 Rates for Switched Access Services**

There are three types of rates and charges that apply to Switched Access Service. These are Monthly Recurring Charges, Usage Rates and Non-Recurring Charges.

**Monthly Recurring Charges:** Monthly Recurring Charges are flat rates for facilities that apply each month or fraction thereof that a specific rate element is provided.

**Usage Rates:** Usage Rates are rates that are applied on a per access minute or per query basis. Usage rates are accumulated over a monthly period.

**Non-Recurring Charges:** Non-Recurring Charges are one time charges that apply for a specific work activity (i.e., installation of new service or change to an existing service).

- (a) **Installation of Service:** Non-Recurring Charges apply to each Switched Access Service installed. The charge is applied per line or trunk.

**15.1.1 Application of Rates****15.1.1.1 Direct Connect:**

The Direct Connect rate is assessed based on the total of the monthly Entrance Facilities charge and per minute of use End-Office switching charge. The monthly Entrance Facilities charge consists of a fixed rate based on the type of the facilities, i.e., DS3, and may include a per mile rate. Entrance Facilities charges are contained in Section 12 of Company's Missouri P.S.C. Tariff No. 2. The Switched Transport Usage Rate does not apply in the Direct Connect application. [N]  
[N]

**15.1.1.2 Tandem Connect:**

The Tandem Connect rate is assessed based on the monthly usage charges for Local End-Office Switching, Carrier Common Line, and Switched Transport usage and may include a per mile rate. [T]  
[T]

- 15.1.2 Billing of Access Minutes:** When recording originating calls over FGD with multifrequency address signaling, usage measurement begins when the first wink supervisory signal is forwarded from the Customer's facilities. The measurement of originating call usage over FGD ends when the originating FGD entry switch receives disconnect supervision from either the originating End User's Local Switching Center (indicating that the originating End User has disconnected), or the Customer's facilities, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

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## 15.1.3.2 Change Charges (Per Order)

	<u>Per Occurrence</u>
A. Service Date	\$10.00
B. Design Changes	\$25.00
C. Expedite Charge	\$100.00

## 15.1.3.3 Cancellation Charges (Per Order)

\$25.00

## 15.1.3.4 Terminating Switched Access [T]

	<u>Per Access Minute of Use</u>	
15.1.3.4.1 Local End Office Switching	\$0.0080420	[I]
15.1.3.4.2 Carrier Common Line	\$0.0171978	[I]

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		<u>Per Access Minute of Use</u>	[N]
15.1.3.5	Originating Switched Access		
15.1.3.5.1	Carrier Common Line	\$0.0094842	
15.1.3.5.2	End Office Switching	\$0.0080420	
15.1.3.5.3	8XX Query ID	\$0.0031000	
15.1.3.6	Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service		
15.1.3.6.1	Tandem Switching	\$0.0080420	
15.1.3.6.2	Tandem Termination	\$0.0000000	
15.1.3.6.3	Tandem Transport (0 – 1 Miles)	\$0.0048110	
15.1.3.6.4	Tandem Transport (1 – 25 Miles)	\$0.0073170	
15.1.3.6.5	Tandem Transport (25 – 50 Miles)	\$0.0154350	
15.1.3.6.6	Tandem Transport (50 + Miles)	\$0.0259590	
15.1.3.6.7	8XX Query ID	\$0.0031000	[N]
15.1.3.7	Switched Transport Usage Rates		[T]
		<u>Access Rate Per Minute</u>	
	Switched Transport (0 – 1 Mile)		[C]
	Originating	\$0.0048110	
	Terminating	\$0.0048110	
	Switched Transport (1 – 25 Miles)		[N]
	Originating	\$0.0073170	
	Terminating	\$0.0073170	
	Switched Transport (25 – 50 Miles)		
	Originating	\$0.0154350	
	Terminating	\$0.0154350	
	Switched Transport (50 + Miles)		
	Originating	\$0.0259590	
	Terminating	\$0.0259590	[N]

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15.1.3.8	Switched Termination	<u>Access Rate Per Minute</u>		[N]
		Originating	\$0.0000000	
	Terminating	\$0.0000000		[N]
15.1.3.9	Direct-Trunked Transport			[T] [L]
	Monthly Recurring Rate			
	<u>Fixed</u>	<u>Per Mile</u>		
	-DS0			
	N/A	N/A		
	-DS1			
	\$40	\$6.04		
	-DS3			
	\$650	\$60		[L]

**15.2 Non-routine Installation/Maintenance Charges**

As stated in 2.9, at the Customer's request, installation and/or maintenance may be performed outside the Company's regular business hours or in hazardous locations. In that case, the following rates apply:

Basic Time - per quarter hour:	\$21.44
Overtime - per quarter hour:	\$28.01
Premium Time - per quarter hour:	\$34.59

**15.3 Individual Case Basis Arrangements**

Rates for Dedicated Access, Private Lines and Centrex services will be determined on an Individual Case Basis (ICB). ICB rates will be structured to recover the Company's cost of providing the services and will be made available to customers in a non-discriminatory manner. Terms of specific ICB contracts will be made available to the Missouri Public Service Commission Staff upon request on a proprietary basis.

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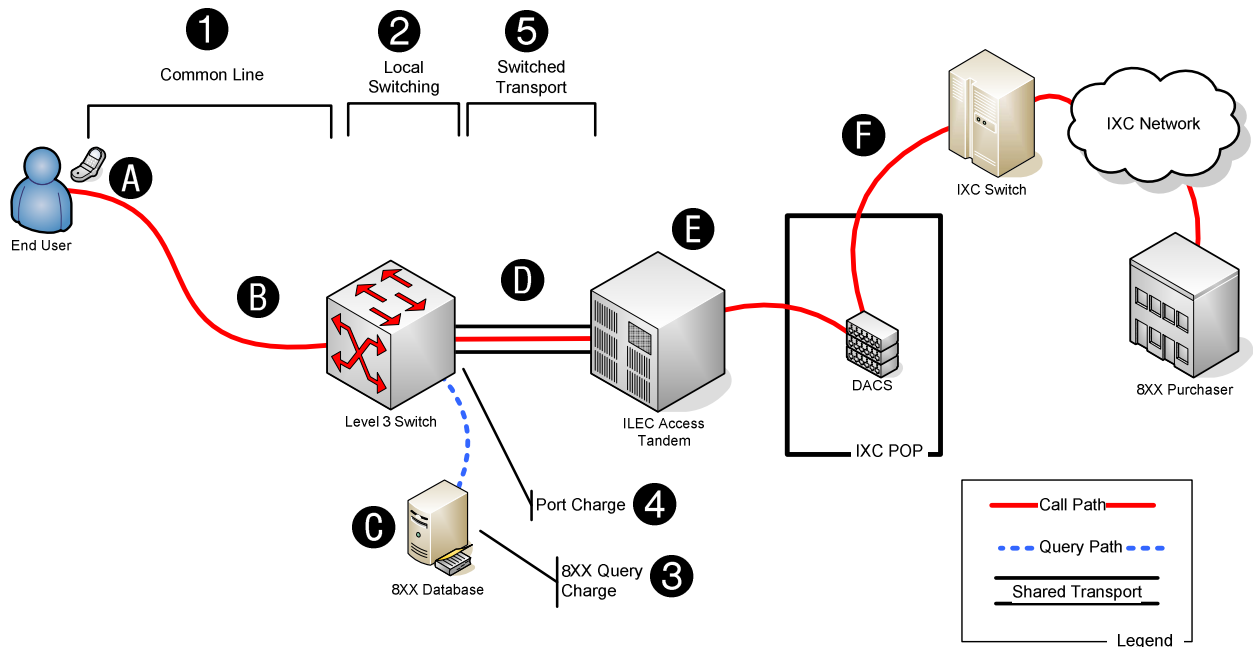
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**SECTION 16 – CALL FLOW DIAGRAMS****Originating Access Service**

Calls completed indirectly to the IXC via the Incumbent LEC Access Tandem



- A. End User dials 8XX number
  - B. Call Routes to Level 3 Switch
  - C. Level 3 Switch looks up IXC that should receive the call
  - D. Call is routed across Shared Transport to Incumbent LEC's Access Tandem
  - E. ILEC routes call to IXC Feature Group D Trunk
  - F. Call is routed to IXC Switch which routes call across IXC network to customer that purchased the 8XX service
- Level 3 charges Carrier Common Line (1), Local Switching (2), 8XX Query Charge (3), Port Charge (4), and Switched Transport (5) per its tariff
  - The Tandem Carrier may bill the IXC for services that they perform on the call path

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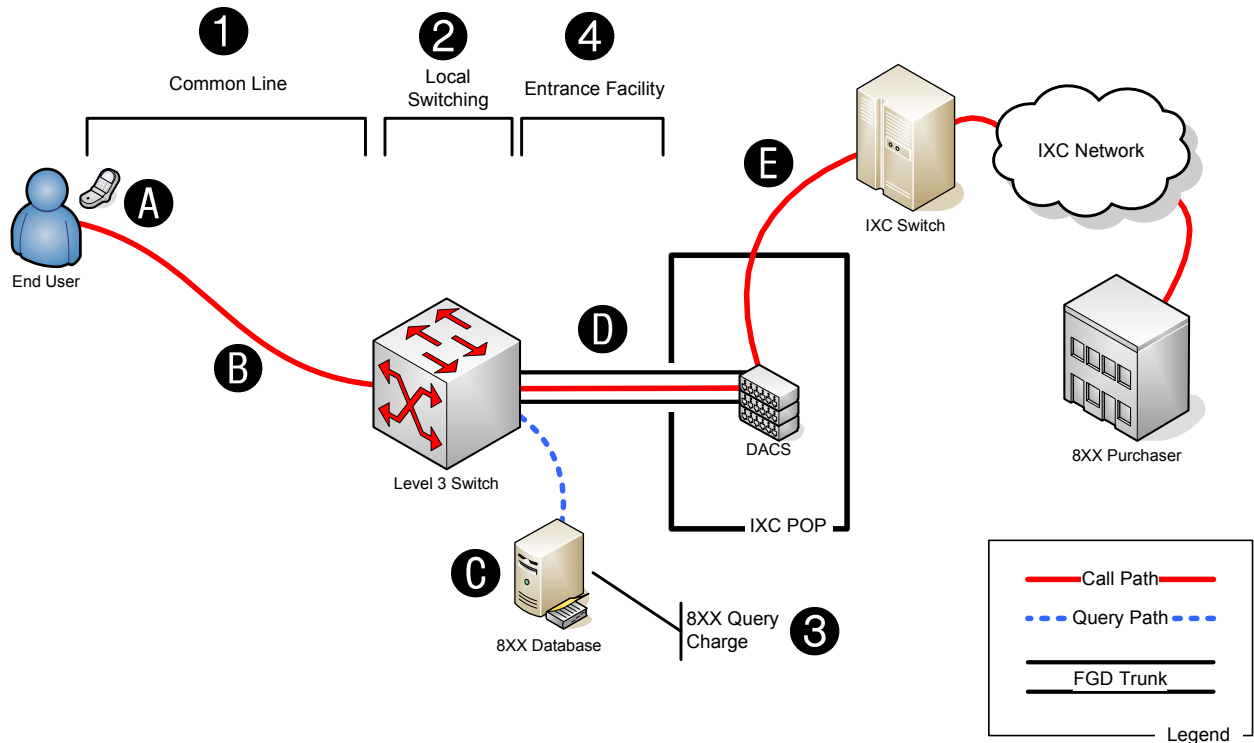
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**SECTION 16 – CALL FLOW DIAGRAMS (CONT'D)****Originating Access Service**

Calls completed directly to the IXC



- A. End User dials 8XX number
  - B. Call Routes to Level 3 End Office
  - C. Level 3 Switch looks up IXC that should receive the call
  - D. Call is routed across FGD Trunks to Digital Cross Connect System in IXC POP
  - E. Call is routed to IXC Switch which routes call across IXC network to customer that purchased the 8XX service
- Level 3 charges Carrier Common Line (①), Local Switching (②), 8XX Query Charge (③), and Entrance Facility (④) per its tariff

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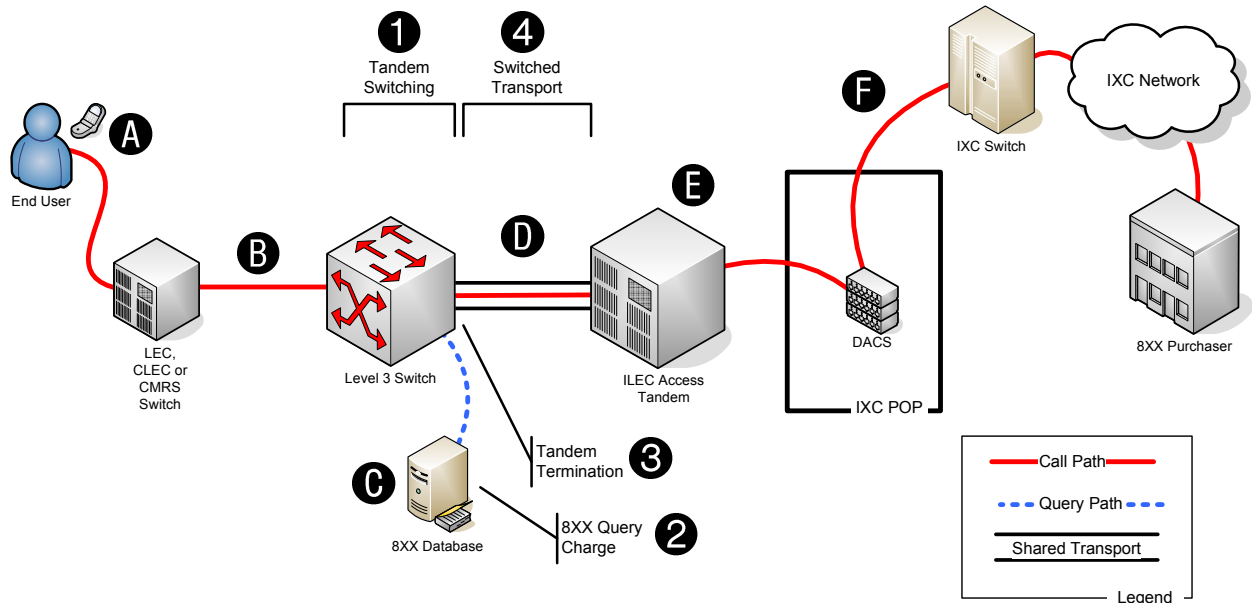
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**SECTION 16 – CALL FLOW DIAGRAMS (CONT'D)****Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service**

Calls completed indirectly to the IXC via the Incumbent LEC's Access Tandem



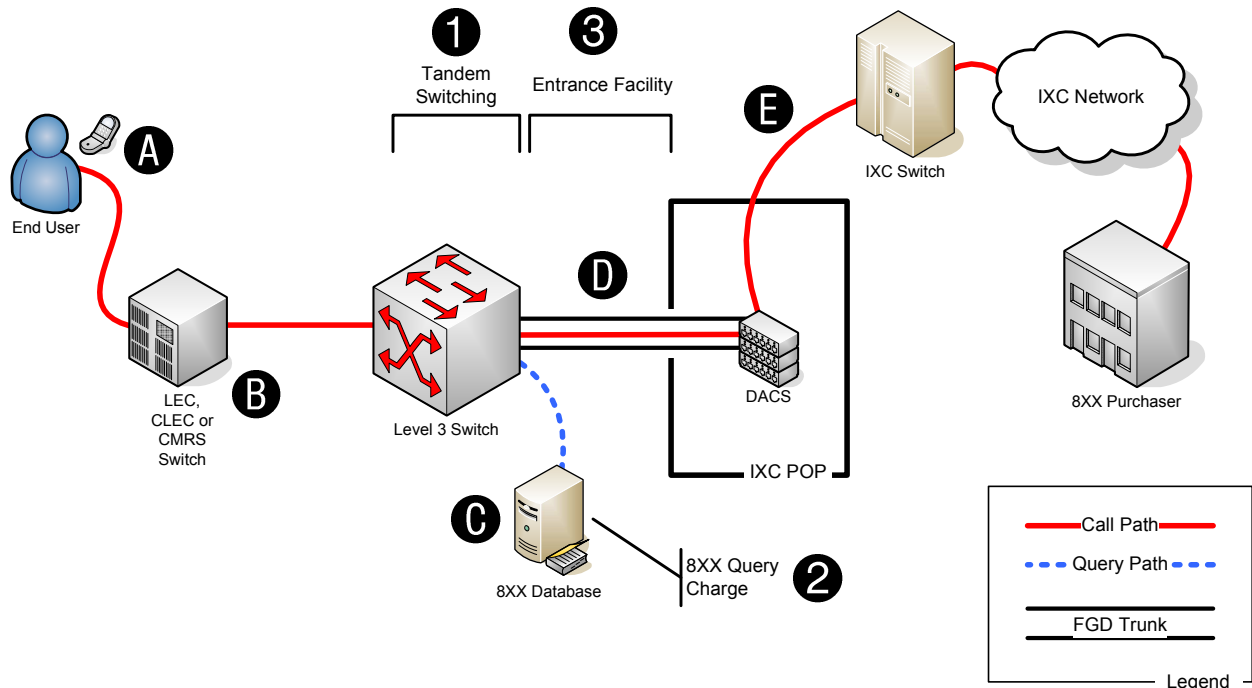
- A. End User dials 8XX number
  - B. LEC, CLEC, or CRMS carrier has agreement with Level 3 and the Incumbent LEC to deliver 8XX Traffic to IXCs
  - C. Level 3 Switch looks up IXC that should receive the call
  - D. Call is routed across Shared Transport to Incumbent LEC's Access Tandem
  - E. Incumbent LEC routes call to IXC Feature Group D Trunk
  - F. Call is routed to IXC Switch which routes call across IXC network to customer that purchased the 8XX service
- Level 3 charges IXC Tandem Switching (1), 8XX Query Charge (2), Tandem Termination (3) and Switched Transport (4) per its tariff
  - The Originating and Incumbent Tandem Carriers may bill the IXC for services that they perform on the call path

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Calls completed directly to the IXC**

- A. End User dials 8XX number
  - B. LEC, CLEC, or CRMS carrier has agreement with Level 3 to deliver 8XX Traffic to IXCs
  - C. Level 3 Switch looks up IXC that should receive the call
  - D. Call is routed across FGD Trunks to Digital Cross Connect System in IXC POP
  - E. Call is routed to IXC Switch which routes call across IXC network to customer that purchased the 8XX service
- Level 3 charges IXC Tandem Switching (①), 8XX Query Charge (②) and Entrance Facility (③) per its tariff
  - The Originating Carrier may bill the IXC for services that they perform on the call path

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