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1.1.2 General Regulations

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2.1 Community Optional Service (COS)

2.1.1 Service Description

A. Community Optional Service (COS) is a plan approved by the Missouri Public Service Commission (PSC) that allows customers in a qualifying petitioning exchange to purchase intraLATA interexchange calling to customers in designated exchanges, known collectively as their COS Calling Scope, under terms, conditions and rates that differ from those applicable to Local Exchange Service and Extended Area Service (EAS) as found in tariff P.S.C. MO. No. 1 of Missouri Telephone Company and from Intrastate IntraLATA long distance message telecommunications service as found in the Long Distance Message Telecommunications Tariff of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. The COS Calling Scope consists of the Target Exchange to which Petitioning Exchange customers have qualified for COS calling, plus all other exchanges with which customers in the Target Exchange have mandatory Extended Area Service (EAS). Calling Scopes may also include other expanded calling areas but only through the application of COS rates deemed appropriate by the PSC.

B. COS is provided on a route specific basis via three call direction/usage payment options. Rates are specified in 2.1.4 below.

1. One-Way Optional Flat Rate COS allows customers to make unlimited calls to their COS Calling Scope for a constant monthly charge.
2. Two-Way Optional Flat Rate COS allows customers to make unlimited calls to and receive unlimited calls from their COS Calling Scope for a constant monthly charge. In addition, this option provides a listing in and a copy of the white pages directory of the Target Exchange, if a separate Target Exchange number is used to implement the service. If the Target Exchange white page listings are already included in the Petitioning Exchange's directory, the provisioning of a copy of the Target Exchange's directory is not required.
3. One-Way Optional Usage Sensitive COS allows customers in exchanges who have qualified for COS to either the St. Louis Metropolitan Area (Principal Zone, Tiers 1 and 2, 3rd Tier Optional Metropolitan and 4th Tier Special Optional Metropolitan) or Kansas City Metropolitan Area (Principal Zone, Tiers 1 and 2, 3rd Tier Optional Metropolitan and 4th Tier Special Optional Metropolitan) to make calls to their COS Calling Scope that are rated on occurrence, duration, distance and time of day.

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In order to qualify for COS, customers in one exchange, known as the Petitioning Exchange, must demonstrate that a community of interest exists with customers in the exchange with which they desire COS calling, known as the Target Exchange.

- A. Consideration of eligibility for COS calling is initiated by a petition filed with the PSC by any or all of the following parties:
1. By 25 or more customers in the Petitioning Exchange;
 2. By the presiding official(s) of the appropriate city, town, village or county, served by the Petitioning Exchange;
 3. By Missouri Office of the Public Counsel on behalf of the customers in the Petitioning Exchange;
 4. By the Telephone Company serving the customers in the Petitioning Exchange.
- B. Petitions requesting COS must specify the Target Exchange with which COS calling is requested. The Target Exchange may be served by another telephone company.
- C. Upon issuance of a Missouri Public Service Commission Order Directing a Calling Study, the Telephone Company will conduct a study covering a one month billing period of Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service traffic from the Petitioning Exchange to the Target Exchange. These traffic studies will be filed with the PSC as required by the PSC order directing such study.
- D. The PSC has ruled that a community of interest is found to exist when the traffic studies show that both of the following criteria are met:
1. Customers in the Petitioning Exchange make an average of six calls per access line per month to the Target Exchange;
 2. Two-thirds of the customers in the Petitioning Exchange make two or more calls per month to the Target Exchange.

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2.1.2 Qualification Process (Continued)

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- E. If the criteria shown above are found to have been satisfied, the Petitioning Exchange and Target Exchange will be certified as a COS Route and the service will be implemented within 120 days of the date of the PSC order authorizing such certification, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

2.1.3 Regulations

- A. COS Routes are specified in paragraph 2.1.5 below. COS Routes with the Kansas City Metropolitan Exchange and the St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange as Target Exchanges have been designated to be "Metropolitan". All other COS Routes have been designated "Rural".
- B. Unless otherwise specified in these regulations, COS is offered to all classes and grades of residence and business customers located in a COS Qualifying Exchange.
- C. COS is not offered in conjunction with Public, Semi-Public or Customer-Owned Pay Telephone services.
- D. COS is offered to Hotel/Motel customers for administrative trunks only.
- E. COS is designed and intended for the exclusive use of the end user customers of the Telephone Company. COS is not to be shared or resold. Upon discovery of COS being utilized in a reselling arrangement, the service will be immediately disconnected.
- F. Access to the Local Calling Scope of the Target Exchange
1. When a Target Exchange has Extended Area Service (EAS) or a Metropolitan Service Plan with one or more exchanges, as defined in the General Exchange Tariffs applicable to the Target Exchange, COS customers with service to the Target Exchange will be able to access the total extra exchange local calling scope.

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- H. The minimum service period for subscription to these calling plans is one month.
- I. Timing of messages will be in whole minutes with fractions counted as whole minutes.
- J. COS calling is provided on a Dial Station-to-Station basis only. For all other types of calls, the appropriate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service rates and Service Charges as specified in the Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service Tariff of Southwestern Bell Telephone will apply.
- K. Non-recurring Service Order Charges, as specified in 2.1.4.A.1 below, are applicable when a customer adds or deletes COS or changes plan options. (1) (N)

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1) These charges will be waived for the first 90 days from the date COS becomes available in an exchange.

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A. Flat Rate COS

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1. Rates for One-Way and Two-Way Optional Flat Rate COS are applied on a Rural or Metropolitan route specific basis. Service Order Charges, per line, are applicable as described in P.S.C. MO. No. 1, Section 6, Sheet 4, C.1. (1)

2. Multi-line customers must subscribe to COS for all of their access lines; however they can combine One-Way or Two-Way COS Service to meet this requirement.

3. One-Way Optional Flat Rate COS Monthly Rates, per access line:

	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Business</u>
Rural	\$5.75 (2)	\$12.10 (2)
Metropolitan	\$11.05 (2)	\$23.55 (2)

4. Two-Way Optional Flat Rate COS

a. Monthly Rates, per access line (3):

	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Business</u>
Rural	\$10.10 (2)	\$21.25 (2)
Metropolitan	\$19.35 (2)	\$41.35 (2)

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b. Depending on the Target Exchange's Local Exchange Telephone Company, the following non-recurring charges will apply;

<u>Telephone Company</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Missouri Telephone Company	See 2.1.4.A.1 above

	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Business</u>
Southwestern Bell Telephone	\$4.00	\$5.00 (C)

(1) Additional service charges may apply from the Target Exchange Company's tariffs.

(2) Plus any EAS charges applicable to the Target Exchange.

(3) Two-Way service includes a listing in and a copy of the white page directory for the Target Exchange, if such listings are not presently provided.

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<u>Telephone Company</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Missouri Telephone Company	See 2.1.4.A.1 above
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company	\$14.50 (N)

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Rural	\$10.10 (1)	\$21.25 (1)
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4. Two-Way Optional Flat Rate COS (Continued)

- c. Recurring charges associated with the provision of non-listed and non-published listings for two-way COS numbers allows some two-way COS customers a non-listed or non-published service for the directory listing of the RCF number in the Target Exchange directory. In those cases, the non-listed or non-published tariff rate of the Target Exchange Company will apply. (N)

<u>Telephone Company</u>	<u>Non-Published</u>	<u>Non-Listed</u>	
Southwestern Bell	\$1.60	\$1.20	(N)

B. One-Way Optional Usage Sensitive COS

1. This COS option is offered only when the Target Exchange is defined to be "Metropolitan" (see paragraph 2.1.3.A). Usage Sensitive COS consists of a monthly rate and Usage Sensitive Charges.

2. Monthly Rate, per access line:

	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Business</u>
Metropolitan	\$4.00 (1)	\$4.00 (1)

3. The Usage Sensitive Charges are fifty (50) percent of the current Two-Point Service rates in the Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service Tariff of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in Missouri.

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2.1.5 Service Availability - COS Routes

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A. Rural COS Routes

Qualifying Exchange 1	Target Exchange 2	Class of Service 3	Existing EAS or Metropolitan Service Plan Exchanges (COS Calling Scope) 4
1. Morrisville	Springfield	Residence and Business	Fair Grove, Republic, Nixa, Strafford, Rogersville, and Willard (1) Plus Local Metropolitan Service Subscribers in Billings and Clever (1)

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(1) The calling scope is available to all COS subscribers.

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