## **ADOPTION NOTICE**

## IONEX COMMUNICATIONS, INC. dba BIRCH COMMUNICATIONS

Ionex Communications, Inc. ("Ionex") hereby files this "Adoption Notice" in order to inform the Missouri Public Service Commission (MPSC) that it registered the assumed name "Birch Communications" with the Missouri Secretary of State (Certificate No. X00882051) and herewith provides the Missouri P.S.C. Tariff No. 3 Title Page reflecting the changes. This Adoption Notice also reflects the change of address to 2300 Main St. Suite 600 Kansas City, MO 64108 below and as listed on the 3rd Revised Title Page.

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Statutory Provisions	
Section 392.210.2	Reports and Records
Section 392.270	Valuation of Property (rate making)
Section 392.280	Depreciation of Accounts
Section 392.290	Issuance of Securities
Section 392.300.2	Transfer of Property
Section 392.310	Stock and Debt Issuance
Section 392.320	Stock Dividend Payment
Section 392.330	Issuance of Securities, Debts and Notes
Section 392.340	Reorganization(s)

## Missouri Public Service Commission Rules

4 CSR 240-10.020	Depreciation Fund Income
4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C)	Rate Schedules
4 CSR 240-30.040	Uniform System of Accounts
4 CSR 240-32.030(4)(c)	Exchange Boundary Map
4 CSR 240-33.030	Minimum Charge Rule
4 CSR 240-35	Report of Bypass and
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## APPLICATION OF TARIFF

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This Tariff contains the regulations and rates applicable to provide resold and facilities based, intrastate and switched local exchange telecommunications services by Company to Business Customers for telecommunications between points within the State. Company's services are furnished subject to the availability of facilities and subject to the terms and conditions of this Tariff.

The rates and regulations contained in this Tariff apply only to the services furnished by Company and do not apply, unless otherwise specified, to the lines, facilities, or services provided by a local exchange telephone company or other common carrier for use in accessing the services of Company.

Customer is entitled to limit the use of Company's services by end users at the Customer's facilities, and may use other common carriers in addition to or in lieu of Company.

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#### **SECTION 1.0 - DEFINITIONS**

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For the purpose of this tariff, the following definitions apply:

Advance payment is a part or all of a payment required before the start of service.

Alternative Local Exchange Carrier (ALEC) or Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) – means any entity or person providing local exchange services in competition with an ILEC or LEC.

Authorization Code is a numerical code, one or more of which are assigned to a Customer to enable Company to identify use of Service on the Customer's account and to bill the Customer accordingly. Multiple authorization codes may be assigned to a Customer to identify individual users or groups of users. Entitlement to any authorization code shall create no property or other right or interest in the use of any particular authorization code.

Authorized User is a person, firm, corporation or any other entity authorized by the Customer to communicate, utilizing the Carrier's service.

Auto Call Back is when you encounter a busy signal when calling another number, the called number will be automatically notified (called back) when the called Station becomes idle.

Auto Recall is the ability to press \*69 to determine the location the last call was made from.

Automatic number identification ("ANI") is the automatic transmission of a caller's billing account telephone number to a local exchange company, interexchange carrier or a third party customer. The primary purpose of ANI is for billing toll calls.

Call Forward Busy automatically routes incoming calls to a designated answering point when the called line is busy.

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Call Forward No Answer automatically routes incoming calls to a designated answering point when the called line does not answer within a pre-specified number of rings.

Call Forward Remote Access allows a user to forward their incoming calls from a remote location.

Call Forward Variable automatically routes incoming calls to a designated answering point, regardless of whether the user's Station is idle or busy.

Call Pickup allows a group pickup of incoming calls on another phone by dialing a code.

Call Transfer enables the user to transfer or add a third party, using the same line.

Call Waiting provides the User with a burst of tone to indicate that another call is waiting. The second call can either be answered by flashing the switchhook or hanging up the phone.

Call Waiting Cancel allows a User to cancel the Call Waiting feature on a per call basis by dialing a code.

Called Station is the terminating point of a call (i.e., the called number).

Caller ID - Name and Number allows a person to view the name and number calling in advance of picking up the receiver. Must be used with a caller ID box.

Caller ID - Number only allows a person to view the number calling in advance of picking up the receiver. Must be used with a caller ID box.

Caller ID Block allows caller to have name an number appear as "unknown" on recipient's caller ID box.

Calling Station is the originating point of a call (i.e., the calling number).

Calling Area is a specific geographic area so designated for the purpose of applying a specified rate structure.

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Central Office is a Local Exchange Carrier's office where a Customer's lines are terminated for the purpose offering local telephone service and to connect with interexchange carriers.

Commission refers to the Missouri Public Service Commission, unless otherwise indicated.

Company refers to Ionex Communications, Inc. unless otherwise indicated.

Customer or subscriber is the person, firm or corporation that orders service and is responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with the Company's regulations.

Class of Service Restriction is used to prevent a phone from dialing certain codes and numbers or reject unwanted calls from specified numbers.

**DA** is Directory Assistance

**Dial Pulse ("DP")** is the pulse type employed by rotary dial station sets.

Digital Transmission is information transmitted in the form of digitally encoded signals.

Dual Service allows a customer to have a single call forwarded to another number, in a different location.

Dual Tone Multi-Frequency ("DTMF") is the pulse type employed by tone dial station sets.

End User is a customer, joint user or any other person authorized by a customer to use service provided under this tariff.

Exchange Area a geographically defined area wherein the telephone industry through the use of maps or legal description sets down specified area where individual telephone exchange companies hold themselves out to provide communications services.

Facility or Facilities is any item or items of communications plant or equipment used to provide or connect to Ionex Communications, Inc. services.

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Hunting automatically "hunts" for the next available line so that the call can terminate.

Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) or Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) is any local exchange carrier that was as of February 8, 1996 deemed to be a member of the Exchange Carrier Association as set forth in 47 C.F.R. 69.601 (b) of the FCC's regulations.

Individual Case Basis ("ICB") is a service arrangement in which the regulations, rates and charges are developed based on the specific circumstances of the customer.

**IXC** or interexchange carrier is a long distance telecommunications services provider that furnishes services between exchange areas.

Joint User is 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.

Kbps is Kilobits per second, denotes thousands of bits per second.

**LATA** is a local access and transport area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgment entered by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in Civil Action No. 82-0192 for the provision and administration of communications services.

Local Calling a completed call or telephonic communication between a calling Station and any other Station within the local service area of the calling Station.

Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) is any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, governmental entity or corporation engaged in the provision of local exchange telephone service.

Local Exchange Service is an arrangement which connects the End User's location to the LEC's network switching center thereby allowing End User to transmit and receive local calls within the End User's local calling are, or mandatory expanded area service (EAS) area, as defined by State commissions or, if not defined by State Commission, then defined in the LEC's State Tariffs.

Mbps is megabits, denotes millions of bits per second.

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Services are the Company's telecommunications services offered on the Company's network.

Shared refers to a facility or equipment system that can be used simultaneously by several customers.

**Speed Dial - 30 Numbers** gives a user the option to call selected directory numbers by dialing a one or two-digit code.

**Speed Dial - 8 Numbers** gives a user the option to call selected directory numbers by dialing a one or two-digit code.

Station refers to telephone equipment from or to which calls are placed.

Three-Way Calling is when a user can sequentially call two or more parties and add them together to create a three-way conference call.

Trunk is a communications path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end to end communication.

User is a Customer or any other person authorized by the Customer to use service provided under this tariff.

V & H Coordinates are geographic points which define the originating and terminating points of a call in mathematical terms so that the airline mileage of the call may be determined. Call mileage is used for the purpose of rating calls.

**WATS** is the Wide Area Telecommunications Service.

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# SECTION 2.0 - UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY PUBLIC SERVICE CUMIN

#### 2.1 General

- 2.1.1 The Company undertakes to provide resold and facilities based, intrastate and switched local exchange telecommunications services under the terms of this tariff for communications originating from and terminating to points within Missouri.
- 2.1.2 Ionex Communications, Inc. does not undertake to transmit messages, but offers the use of its facilities when available, and will not be liable for errors in transmission nor for failure to establish connections.
- 2.1.3 Customers and Users may use services and facilities provided under the tariffs of the Company to obtain access to services offered by other companies. The Company is responsible for the services and facilities provided under its tariffs, and for its unregulated services provided pursuant to contract, and it assumes no responsibility for any service (whether regulated or not) provided by any other entity that purchases access to the Company network in order to originate or terminate such entity's own services, or to communicate with such entity's own customers.
- 2.1.4 The Customer's charges for services are based upon the total time the Customer actually uses the service subject to billing increments set forth herein and any additional charges which may apply.
- 2.1.5 The Company shall have no responsibility with respect to billings, charges or disputes related to services used by the Customer which are not included in the services herein including, without limitation, any local, regional or long distance services not offered by the Company. The Customer shall be fully responsible for the payment of any bills for such services and for the resolution of any disputes or discrepancies with the service provider.

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## 2.2 Description of Service

Ionex Communications, Inc. Service consists of any of the services offered pursuant to this tariff, either individually or in combination. Each service is offered independent of the others, unless otherwise noted. Service is offered via the Company's facilities or in combination with transmission facilities provided by other certificated carriers.

## 2.3 Application for Service

Customers desiring to obtain Ionex Communications, Inc. service must complete the Company's standard Service Order form(s).

## 2.4 Shortage of Equipment or Facilities

- 2.4.1 The Company reserves the right to limit or to allocate the use of existing facilities, or of additional facilities offered by the Company, when necessary because of lack of facilities, or due to some other cause beyond the Company's control, on a nondiscriminatory basis.
- 2.4.2 The furnishing of service under this tariff is subject to the availability on a continuing basis of all the necessary facilities and equipment and is limited to the capacity of the Company's facilities as well as facilities the Company may obtain from other carriers, from time to time, to furnish service as required at the sole discretion of the Company.

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## SECTION 2.0 – UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

#### 2.5 Terms and Conditions

- 2.5.1 Service is provided for a minimum period of thirty days, 24-hours per day. For the purpose of computing charges in this tariff, a month is considered to have 30 days.
- 2.5.2 Customers may be required to enter into written or oral service orders which shall contain or reference a specific description of the service ordered, the rates to be charged, the duration of the services, and the terms and conditions in this tariff. Customers will also be required to execute any other documents as may be reasonably requested by the Company.
- 2.5.3 Except as otherwise stated in the tariff, at the expiration of the initial term specified in each service order, or in any extension of the service order, service shall continue on a month-to-month basis at the then current rates unless terminated by either party. Any termination shall not relieve the customer of its obligation to pay any charges incurred under the service order and this tariff prior to termination. The rights and obligations which by their nature extend beyond the termination of the term of the service order shall survive such termination.
- 2.5.4 Reserved For Future Use

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2.5.5 Except as provided in Section 2.14 of this tariff, this tariff shall be interpreted and governed by the laws of the State of Missouri.

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- 2.5.4 In any action between the parties to enforce any provision of the tariffs of the Company, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its legal fees and court costs from the nonprevailing party in addition to other relief a court may award.
- 2.5.5 This tariff shall be interpreted and governed by the laws of Missouri without regard to any choice of laws provision.

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## 2.5 Terms and Conditions (continued)

- 2.5.6 To the extent that either the Company or any other carrier exercises control over available cable pairs, conduit, duct space, raceways, or other facilities needed by the other to reach a person or entity, the party exercising such control shall make them available to the other on terms equivalent to those under which the Company makes similar facilities under its control available to its customers. At the reasonable request of either party, the Company and the other carrier shall jointly attempt to obtain from the owner of the property access for the other party to serve a person or entity.
- 2.5.7 The customer has no property right to any authorization code associated with services furnished by the Company. The Company reserves the right to change such codes whenever the Company deems it necessary to do so in the conduct of its business.

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## 2.6 Liability of the Company

- 2.6.1 The liability of the Company for damages arising out of the furnishing of its Services, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, or errors, or other defects, representations, or use of these services or arising out of the failure to furnish the service, whether caused by acts or omissions, shall be limited to the extension of allowances for interruption as set forth in Section 7 following. The extension of such allowances for interruption shall be the sole remedy of the Customer and the sole liability of the Company. The Company will not be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental, special, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages to Customer or User as a result of any Company service, equipment or facilities, or the acts or omissions or negligence of the Company, Company's employees or agents.
- 2.6.2 The Company shall not be liable for any delay or failure of performance or equipment due to causes beyond its 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 the Company, or of any department, agency, commission, 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, insurrections, riots, wars, unavailability of rights-of-way or materials, or strikes, lockouts, work stoppages, or other labor difficulties.
- 2.6.3 The Company shall not be liable for any act or omission of any entity furnishing to the Company or to the Company's Customers or Users facilities or equipment used for or with the services the Company offers.
- 2.6.4 The Company shall not be liable for any damages or losses due to the fault or negligence of the Customer or User or due to the failure or malfunction of Customer or Userprovided equipment or facilities.

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## 2.6 Liability of the Company (continued)

- 2.6.5 The Company does not guarantee nor make any warranty with respect to installations it provides for use in an explosive atmosphere. The Customer shall indemnify and hold the 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 other party 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.
- 2.6.6 The Company reserves the right to require each Customer to sign an agreement acknowledging acceptance of the provisions of this paragraph as a condition precedent to such installations.
- 2.6.7 The Company is not liable for any defacement of or damage to Customer or User premises resulting from the furnishing of services or equipment on such premises or the installation or removal thereof, unless such defacement or damage is caused by negligence or willful misconduct of the Company's agents or employees.
- 2.6.8 The entire liability for any claim, loss, damage or expense from any cause whatsoever shall in no event exceed sums actually paid the Company by Customer for the specific services giving rise to the claim. No action or proceeding against the Company shall be commenced more than one year after the service is rendered, or as required by Missouri Law.

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## 2.6 Liability of the Company (continued)

- 2.6.9 The Company shall not be liable for any damages resulting from delays in meeting any service dates due to delays resulting from normal construction procedures. Such delays shall include, but not be limited to, delays in obtaining necessary regulatory approvals for construction, delays in obtaining right-of-way approvals and delays in actual construction work.
- 2.6.10 The Company shall not be liable for any damages whatsoever to property resulting from the installation, maintenance, repair or removal of equipment and associated wiring unless the damage is caused by the Company's willful misconduct or negligence.
- 2.6.11 THE COMPANY MAKES NO WARRANTIES OR REPRESENTATIONS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED EITHER IN FACT OR BY OPERATION OF LAW, STATUTORY OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR USE, EXCEPT THOSE EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN ITS TARIFFS.
- 2.6.12 The Company shall not be liable for any damages whatsoever associated with service, facilities, or equipment which the Company does not furnish or for any act or omission of Customer or any other entity furnishing services, facilities or equipment used for or in conjunction with Ionex Communications, Inc.

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## 2.7 Notification of Service-Affecting Activities

To the extent possible, the Company will provide the Customer reasonable notification of service-affecting activities that may occur in normal operation of its business. Such activities may include, but are not limited to, equipment or facilities additions, removals or rearrangements and routine preventative maintenance. Generally, such activities are not specific to an individual Customer but affect many Customers' services. No specific advance notification period is applicable to all service activities. The Company will work cooperatively with the Customer to determine the reasonable notification requirements. With some emergency or unplanned service-affecting conditions, such as an outage resulting from cable damage, notification to the Customer may not be possible.

## 2.8 Provision of Equipment and Facilities

- 2.8.1 All services along the facilities between the point identified as the Company's origination point and the point identified as the Company's termination point will be furnished by the Company, its agents or contractors.
- 2.8.2 The Company may undertake to use reasonable efforts to make available services to a Customer on or before a particular date, subject to the provisions of and compliance by the Customer with, the regulations contained in this tariff.
- 2.8.3 The Company undertakes to use reasonable efforts to maintain only the facilities and equipment that it furnishes to the Customer. The Customer, Joint User, or Authorized User may not, nor may they permit others to, rearrange, disconnect, remove, attempt to repair, or otherwise tamper with any of the facilities or equipment installed by the Company, except upon the written consent of the Company.
- 2.8.4 Equipment the Company provides or installs at the Customer's premises for use in connection with the services the Company offers shall not be used for any purpose other than that for which the Company provided the equipment.
- 2.8.5 The Customer shall be responsible for the payment of service charges as set forth herein for visits by the Company's agents or employees to the premises of the Customer, Joint User, or Authorized User when the service difficulty or trouble report results from the use of equipment or facilities the Customer, Joint User, or Authorized User provided.

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- 2.8.6 The Company shall not be responsible for the installation, operation, or maintenance of any Customer provided communications equipment. Where such equipment is connected to the facilities furnished pursuant to this tariff, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of facilities offered under this tariff and to the maintenance and operation of such facilities; subject to this responsibility the Company shall not be responsible for:
  - i.) The transmission of signals by Customer provided equipment or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission; or
  - ii.) The reception of signals by Customer provided equipment. The Customer, Authorized User, or Joint User is responsible for ensuring that Customer provided equipment connected to Company equipment and facilities is compatible with such Company 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 shall be such as not to cause damage to the Company provided equipment and wiring or injury to the Company's employees or to other persons. Customer will submit to Company a complete manufacturer's specification sheet for each item of equipment that is not provided by the Company and which shall be attached to the Company's facilities. The Company shall approve the use of such item(s) of equipment unless such item is technically incompatible with Company's facilities. Any additional protective, equipment required to prevent such damage or injury shall be provided by the Company at the Customer's expense.
- 2.8.7 Any special interface equipment necessary to achieve compatibility between the facilities and equipment of the Company used for furnishing Ionex Communications, Inc. services and the channels, facilities, or equipment of others shall be provided at the Customer's expense.
- 2.8.8 Other carriers may not interfere with the right of any person or entity to obtain service directly from the Company. No person or entity shall be required to make any payment, incur any penalty, monetary or otherwise, or purchase any services in order to have the right to obtain service directly form the company.

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- 2.8 Provision of Equipment and Facilities (continued)
  - Ionex Communications, Inc. may be connected to the services or facilities of other 2.8.9 communications carriers only when authorized by, and in accordance with, the terms and conditions of the tariffs of the other communications carrier which are applicable to such connections.

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### 2.9 Non-routine Installation

At the customer's request, installation or maintenance may be performed outside the 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 to the Company will apply. If installation 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 or night hours, additional charges may apply.

# 2.10 Ownership of Facilities

Title to all facilities provided in accordance with the tariffs of the Company remains with the Company, its agents or contractors. The Customer shall not have, nor shall it assert, any right, title or interest in all the fiber optic or other facilities and associated equipment provided by the Company hereunder.

# 2.11 Optional Rates and Information Provided to the Public

The Company will promptly advise Customers who may be affected of new, revised or optional rates applicable to their service. Pertinent information regarding the Company's services, rates and charges shall be provided directly to Customers, or shall be available for inspection at the Company's local business.

# 2.12 Continuity of Service

In the event of prior knowledge of an interruption of service for a period exceeding one day, the Customers will, if feasible, be notified in writing, by mail, at least one week in advance.

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#### 2.13 **Changed Number Intercept Service**

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-32-050 (5), when a customer changes telephone numbers, and when the customer so desires. CLEC will intercept all calls to the customer's former telephone number and give out the new number, at no charge to the customer, for a 30-day period after the number is changed, provided existing central office equipment will permit and the customer so requests.

#### 2.14 **Governmental Authorizations**

The provision of services is subject to and contingent upon the Company obtaining and retaining such approvals, consents, governmental authorizations, licenses and permits, as may be required or be deemed necessary by the Company. The Company shall use reasonable efforts to obtain and keep in effect all such approvals, consents, authorizations, licenses and permits that may be required to be obtained by it. The Company shall be entitled to take, and shall have no liability whatsoever for, any action necessary to bring the Services into conformance with any rules, regulations, orders, decisions, or directives imposed by the Federal Communications Commission or other applicable agency, and the Customer shall fully cooperate in and take such action as may be requested by the Company to comply with any such rules, regulations, orders, decisions, or directives.

#### 2.15 **Dispute Resolution**

This Section applies to any dispute, controversy, or claim, whether based in contract, tort, equity, statute or any other legal theory, between the Customer and the Company arising out of, or relating to, any Service, product, facilities, charge, advertising, representation, Act or Omission of the Company, or any other dispute, controversy, or claim arising from the relationship between the Parties that either the Customer or the Company has against the other, regardless of the date of accrual and even if the dispute, controversy, or claim arises after Service has terminated (hereinafter collectively referred to herein as "Dispute" or "Disputes"). All Disputes must be resolved as described in this Section. BY ORDERING AND/OR CONTINUING SERVICES PROVIDED IN THIS TARIFF, THE CUSTOMER AGREES THAT ANY DISPUTE WILL BE RESOLVED BY THE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS DESCRIBED HEREIN AND NOT BY A JUDGE OR JURY IN COURT.

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# SECTION 2.0 – UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

# 2.15 Dispute Resolution (Continued)

If the Customer has a Dispute with the Company, the Customer must first call the Company's Customer Service Department, at the number listed on the Customer's invoice, to attempt to resolve the Dispute. The Customer must describe the Dispute and provide the Company with any supporting documentation reasonably requested by the Company. Likewise, if the Company has a Dispute with the Customer it will notify the Customer by letter sent to the Customer's billing address and attempt to resolve it before pursuing arbitration.

If the Parties are unable to resolve the Dispute within 60 days of the initial notice, either Party may request arbitration as described below.

MANDATORY ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES: ANY DISPUTE OF ANY KIND BETWEEN THE CUSTOMER AND THE COMPANY, OR ANY EMPLOYEE, AGENT, PRIVY OR AFFILIATED ENTITY OF EITHER PARTY, WILL BE RESOLVED BY FINAL AND BINDING ARBITRATION AS PRESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION. THE FEDERAL ARBITRATION ACT, NOT STATE LAW, GOVERNS THIS PROCESS, INCLUDING THE ARBITRABILITY OF ANY DISPUTE UNDER THIS TARIFF AND THE REVIEW OF ANY AWARD.

The arbitration will be conducted by and under the then-applicable Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") at the nearest AAA Case Management Center or other location as agreed upon by Customer and Company. A single neutral arbitrator engaged in the practice of law will conduct the arbitration. The arbitrator will be selected according to the rules of the American Arbitration Association or, alternatively, may be selected by agreement of the Parties, who will cooperate in good faith to select the arbitrator. All expedited procedures prescribed by the applicable Rules will apply. All required fees and costs will be paid equally by the Parties as set forth in the AAA Commercial Arbitration Rules. The arbitrator's decision and award will be final and binding, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court with jurisdiction.

No Dispute may be joined with another lawsuit, claim, dispute, or arbitration brought by any other person, or resolved on a class-wide basis. The arbitrator may not award damages that are barred by this tariff and may not award punitive damages.

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# SECTION 2.0 – UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

# 2.15 Dispute Resolution (Continued)

If any Party files a judicial or administrative action to resolve a Dispute without first complying with the provisions of this Section and another Party successfully stays such action and/or compels arbitration, the Party filing that judicial or administrative action must pay the other Party's costs and expenses incurred in seeking such stay and/or compelling arbitration, including attorney's fees.

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Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section, the Customer may file a complaint with the Commission as described in Section 5.11.

If any portion of this Section is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Section and this tariff shall remain in full force and effect.

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# SECTION 3.0 - OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER MAR 27 2000

### 3.1 General

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The customer shall be responsible for:

- (a) the payment of all applicable charges pursuant to the tariffs of the Company;
- (b) damage to or loss of the Company's facilities or equipment caused by the acts or omissions of the Customer or of any User; or by the noncompliance by the Customer or any User with these regulations; or by fire or theft or other casualty on the Customer's or any User's Premises, unless caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the employees or agents of the Company;
- (c) providing at no charge, as specified from time to time by the Company, any needed personnel, equipment space and power to operate the Company facilities and equipment installed on the premises of the Customer or any User; and the level of heating and air conditioning necessary to maintain the proper operating environment on such premises;
- (d) any and all costs associated with obtaining and maintaining of the rights-of-way from the point of entry at the Customer's location to the termination point where service is finally delivered to the Customer, including, but not limited to, the costs of installing conduit or of altering the structure to permit installation of Company provided facilities. The Customer's use of such rights-of-way shall in all respects be subject to the terms, conditions and restrictions of such rights-of-way and of agreements between the Company and such third parties relating thereto, including without limitation, the duration applicable to and the condemnation of such rights-of-way, and shall not be in violation of any applicable governmental ordinance, law, rule, regulation or restriction. Where applicable, the Customer agrees that it shall assist the Company in the procurement and maintenance of such right-of-way. The Company may require the Customer to demonstrate its compliance with this section prior to accepting an order for service.

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# 3.1 General (continued)

- (e) providing a safe place to work and complying with all laws and regulations regarding the working conditions on the premises at which the Company's employees and agents shall be installing or maintaining the Company's facilities and equipment. The Customer may be required to install and maintain the Company's facilities and equipment within a hazardous area if, in the Company's opinion, injury or damage to the Company's employees or property might result from installation or maintenance by the Company. The Customer shall be responsible for identifying, monitoring, removing and disposing of any hazardous material (e.g. friable asbestos) prior to any construction or installation work:
- (f) complying with all laws and regulations applicable to, and obtaining all consents, approvals, licenses and permits as may be required with respect to, the location of the Company's facilities and equipment in any Customer or User premises or the rights-of-way for which Customer is responsible under Section 3.1(d); and granting or obtaining permission for the Company's agents or employees to enter the premises of the Customer or any User at any time for the purpose of installing, inspecting, maintaining, repairing, or upon termination of service as stated herein, removing the facilities or equipment of the Company;
- (g) not creating or allowing to be placed any liens or other encumbrances on the Company's equipment or facilities; and
- (h) making the Company's facilities and equipment available periodically for maintenance purposes at a time agreeable to both the Company and the Customer. No allowance will be made for the period during which service is interrupted for such purposes.

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# SECTION 3.0 - OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER (continued)

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### 3.2 Prohibited Uses

- 3.2.1 The services the Company offers shall 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 the Customer with respect thereto.
- 3.2.2 The Company may require applicants for service who intend to use the Company's offerings for resale and/or for shared use to file a letter with the Company confirming that their use of the Company's offerings complies with relevant laws and Public Service Commission of Missouri regulations, policies, orders, and decisions.
- 3.2.3 The Company may, without obtaining any further consent from the Customer, assign any rights, privileges, or obligations under this tariff. The Customer shall not, without prior written consent of the Company, 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 such consent shall be null and void.
- 3.2.4 The Company may require a Customer to immediately shut down its transmission of signals if said transmission is causing interference to others.
- 3.2.5 A Customer may not use the services so as to interfere with or impair service over any facilities and associated equipment, or so as to impair the privacy of any communications over such facilities and associated equipment.
- 3.2.6 Customer use of any resold service obtained from other service providers shall also be subject to any applicable restrictions imposed by the underlying providers.
- 3.2.7 A Customer, Joint User, or Authorized User shall not represent that its services are provided by the Company, or otherwise indicate to its customers that its provision of services is jointly with the Company, without the written consent of the Company. The relationship between the Company and Customer shall not be that of partners or agents for one or the other, and shall not be deemed to constitute a partnership or agency agreement.

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# 3.2 Prohibited Uses (continued)

3.2.8 A Customer shall not use any service mark, trade mark or trade name of Company or refer to Company in connection with any product, equipment, promotion or publication of the Customer without the approval of Company.

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### 3.3 Claims

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With respect to any service or facility provided by the Company, Customer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Company from and against all claims, actions, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees for:

- (a) any loss, destruction or damage to property of the Company or any third party, or the death or injury to persons, including, but not limited to, employees or invitees of either party, to the extent caused by or resulting from the negligent or intentional act or omission of the Customer or User or their employees, agents, representatives or invitees;
- (b) any claim, loss, damage, expense or liability for infringement of any copyright, patent, trade secret, or any proprietary or intellectual property right of any third party, arising from any act or omission by the Customer or User, including, without limitation, use of the Company's services and facilities in a manner not contemplated by the agreement between Customer and the Company; or
- (c) any claim of any nature whatsoever brought by a User with respect to any matter for which the Company would not be directly liable to the Customer under the terms of the applicable Company tariff.

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# SECTION 4.0 – CUSTOMER AND EQUIPMENT AND CHANNELS 27 2000

# 4.1 General

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A User may transmit or receive information or signals via the facilities of the Company. The Company's services are designed primarily for the transmission of voice-grade telephonic signals, except as otherwise stated in the tariffs of the Company. A User may transmit any form of signal that is compatible with the Company's equipment, but except as otherwise specifically stated in its tariffs, the Company does not guarantee that its services will be suitable for purposes other than voice-grade telephonic communication.

# 4.2 Station Equipment

- 4.2.1 Terminal equipment on the User's Premises and the electric power consumed by such equipment shall be provided by and maintained at the expense of the User. The User is responsible for the provision of wiring or cable to connect its terminal equipment to the Company's Point of Connection.
- 4.2.2 The Customer is responsible for ensuring that Customer-provided equipment connected to the 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 shall be such as not to cause damage to Company-provided equipment and wiring or injury to the Company's employees or to other persons. Any additional protective equipment required to prevent such damage or injury shall be provided by the Company at the Customer's expense.

Customer provided station equipment may be attached to services provided under the tariffs of the Company subject to Part 68 of the FCC Rules and to any applicable provisions of the tariffs of the Company and is the sole responsibility of the Customer.

4.2.3 The Company is not responsible for malfunctions of Customer-owned telephone sets or other Customer-provided equipment, or for misdirected calls, disconnects or other service problems caused by the use of Customer-owned equipment.

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## 4.3 Interconnection of Facilities

- 4.3.1 Any special interface equipment necessary to achieve compatibility between the facilities and equipment of the Company used for furnishing Communications Services (local exchange service) and the channels, facilities, or equipment of others shall be provided at the Customer's expense.
- 4.3.2 Communications Services (local exchange service) may be connected to the services or facilities of other communications carriers only when authorized by, and in accordance with, the terms and conditions of the tariffs of the other communications carriers which are applicable to such connections.
- 4.3.3 Facilities furnished under the tariffs of the Company may be connected to customer provided terminal equipment in accordance with the provisions of the tariffs of the Company. All such terminal equipment shall be registered by the Federal Communications Commission pursuant to Part 68 of Title 47, Code of Federal Regulations; and all User provided wiring shall be installed and maintained in compliance with those regulations.

# 4.4 Tests and Adjustments

Upon suitable notice, the Company may make such tests, adjustments, and inspections as may be necessary to maintain the Company's facilities in satisfactory operating condition. No interruption allowance will be credited to the Customer for the period during which the Company makes such tests, adjustments, or inspections.

# 4.5 Inspections

4.5.1 Upon suitable notification to the customer, and at a reasonable time, the Company may make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine that the customer is complying with the requirements under Section 2.8 for the installation, operation, and maintenance of customer-provided facilities, equipment, and wiring in the connection of customer-provided facilities and equipment to Company-owned facilities and equipment.

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# 4.5 Inspections (continued)

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4.5.2 If the protective requirements for customer-provided equipment are not being complied with, the Company may take such action as it deems necessary to protect its facilities, equipment, and personnel. The Company will notify the customer promptly if there is any need for further corrective action. Within ten days of receiving this notice, the customer must take this corrective action and notify the Company of the action taken. If the customer fails to do this, the Company may take whatever additional action is deemed necessary, including the suspension of service, to protect its facilities, equipment and personnel from harm.

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# SECTION 5.0 - PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS MO. PUBLIC SERVICE CUMIN

# 5.1 Payment for Service

The Customer is responsible for the payment of all charges for facilities and services furnished by the Company to the Customer and to all Users authorized by the Customer, regardless of whether those services are used by the Customer itself or are resold or shared with other persons.

# 5.2 Billing and Collection of Charges

- 5.2.1 Nonrecurring charges are due and payable within 30 days after the date an invoice is mailed to the Customer by the Company.
- 5.2.2 The Company shall present invoices for Recurring Charges monthly to the Customer, in advance of the month in which service is provided, and Recurring Charges shall be due and payable within 30 days after the invoice is mailed.
- 5.2.3 Charges based on measured usage will be included on the next invoice rendered following the end of the month in which the usage occurs, and will be due and payable within 30 days after the invoice is mailed.
- 5.2.4 When service does not begin on the first day of the month, or end on the last day of the month, the charge for the fraction of the month in which service was furnished will be calculated on a pro rata basis. For this purpose, every month is considered to have 30 days.
- 5.2.5 Billing of the Customer by the Company will begin on the Service Commencement Date, which is the first day following the date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the service or facility is available for use, except that the Service Commencement Date may be postponed by mutual agreement of the parties, or if the service or facility does not conform to standards set forth in the tariffs of the Company or the Service Order. Billing accrues through and includes the day that the service, circuit, arrangement or component is discontinued.

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The Company may apply a late payment charge if any portion of the Customer's payment is received by the Company after the payment due date, or if any portion of the payment is received by the Company in funds which are not immediately available upon presentment. The late payment charge shall be applied to the portion of the payment not received by the date due. On all unpaid business bills an \$8.00 charge or 1.5% of the unpaid balance, whichever is higher, will be applied if unpaid charges are greater than \$5.00. A charge of \$5.50 plus 1% of the unpaid balance will be applicable on all residential bills if unpaid charges are greater than \$5.00. A Finance Charge of 1.5% shall apply to the outstanding balance of charges, as at the end of the "Due Before Date", with the effect from the second month after the charges are first applied, and every month thereafter.

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Collection procedures are unaffected by the application of the late payment charge. The late payment charge does not apply to final amounts.

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Collection procedures are unaffected by the application of the late payment charge. The late payment charge does not apply to final amounts.

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- 5.2 Billing and Collection of Charges (continued)
  - 5.2.6 With respect to Customers, if any portion of the payment is received by the Company after the date due, or if any portion of the payment is received by the Company in funds which are not immediately available, then a late payment penalty shall be due to the Company. The late payment penalty shall be the portion of the payment not received by the date due, net of taxes, not compounded, multiplied by a monthly late factor of 1.5% or at the highest rate allowed by law, whichever is less.

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# 5.3 Advance Payments

To safeguard its interests, the Company may require a Customer to make an advance payment before Services and facilities are furnished. The advance payment will not exceed an amount equal to the nonrecurring charge(s) and the first month's estimated recurring charges for the service or facility. 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 (if any) for a period to be set between the Company and the Customer. The advance payment will be credited to the Customer's initial bill.

A Customer whose Service has been discontinued for nonpayment of bills will be required to pay the unpaid balance due to Company and Reconnect Charges of \$25.00.

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A customer whose service has been discontinued for nonpayment of bills will be required to pay the unpaid balance due to Company and may be required to pay reconnect charges.

# 5.4 Deposits

- 5.4.1 The Company may, in order to safeguard its interests, require an applicant to make a suitable deposit to be held by the Company as a guarantee of the payment of charges.
- **5.4.2** A deposit will be required under the following conditions:
  - A. Applicant does not have verifiable credit with any Ionex Communications, Inc. affiliate anywhere within the region in the same or similar business; or
  - B. Applicant has had previous service with any Ionex Communications, Inc. affiliate anywhere within the region but has an outstanding and unpaid bill for service; or has not established satisfactory credit. Satisfactory credit for a customer is defined as twelve consecutive months of service without a suspension of service for nonpayment or with no more than one notification of intent to suspend service for nonpayment.
  - C. Applicant for nonresidential service will be given credit for previous nonresidential service only if the applicant is same business entity to which such service was previously provided.

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- An initial deposit or an additional deposit will be required of an existing customer when 5.4.3 high risk is indicated and existing security is insufficient. Such requirement will be imposed when a payment history includes a suspension of service for nonpayment during the previous twelve month period.
- The Company shall provide for two equal installment payments of the deposit if the 5.4.4 circumstances warrant.
- 5.4.5 Any deposit required of an existing Customer is due and payable within ten days after the requirement is imposed. This requirement shall be in writing and the payment date shall be on or after the due and payable date for the current bill. If said deposit or installment thereof, as appropriate, is not paid within the aforementioned time frame, the Company may suspend service of the Customer without further notice. The following are exceptions to this provision:
  - In the event service is suspended for a Customer for nonpayment, an initial or A. additional deposit shall be required prior to the restoration of service if existing security is insufficient.
  - B. In the event prior indebtedness or prior unsatisfactory credit has been determined subsequent to the initial establishment of service due to misrepresentation of the facts by the Customer, a deposit shall be due and payable within five days upon verbal notification and written confirmation or within ten days when notification can only be provided in writing. The ten day period shall be measured from the mailed date of the written notice. If said deposit is not paid within the aforementioned time frame, the Company may suspend service to the Customer without further notice.
- 5.4.6 The amount of the deposit shall be the estimated charges for the service which will accrue for a 2-month period. All applicants and existing Customers shall be treated uniformly for the determination and application of deposits.

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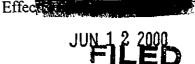
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# 5.4 Deposits (continued)

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- 5.4.7 When it is determined that a deposit is required under the conditions specified above, the applicant or Customer may, in lieu of or in addition to making the deposit, arrange for an acceptable third party to guarantee payment of his charges by executing on his behalf a Guarantee of Payment Agreement with the Company. An acceptable third party guarantor for service is a current non residential customer with at least two years continuous service, whose payment history for the most recent twelve month period is satisfactory.
- 5.4.8 The fact that a deposit has been made in no way relieves the Customer from complying with the Company's regulations as to advance payments, or the prompt payment of bills on presentation.
- 5.4.9 The deposit will bear simple interest computed from the date of its receipt by the Company to the date the deposit is refunded, or service is terminated, or annually upon request of the Customer. In the event that a deposit is retained during time periods having different rates of interest, the interest accrued on the deposit will be calculated using the interest rate applicable to each time period.
- **5.4.10** The rate of interest shall be the nine percent (9%) per annum.
- 5.4.11 When the Customer is a candidate for political office or is a person or organization acting on behalf of a candidate for political office the deposit requirement will be adjusted monthly to reflect twice the current month's actual billing. Under these circumstances, a security, i.e., surety bond or bank letter of credit equal to the Company's deposit requirement will be the only acceptable substitutes for a cash deposit.
- 5.4.12 When service is terminated, the amount of the initial or additional deposit, with any interest due, will be credited to the Customer's account and any credit balance which may remain will be refunded. After an existing customer has established satisfactory credit, the amount of the deposit, with any interest due, will be either credited to the account or at the option of the Customer, refunded. Satisfactory credit for a Customer is defined as twelve consecutive months of service without suspension for nonpayment and with no more than one notification of intent to suspend service for nonpayment.

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# 5.5 Discontinuance of Service for Cause

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- 5.5.1 Upon nonpayment of any amounts owing to the Company, the Company may, by giving ten (10) days prior written notice to the Customer, discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability. Failure to pay charges in dispute or charges not subject to the Commission's jurisdiction does not constitute grounds for disconnection.
- 5.5.2 Upon violation of any of the other material terms or conditions for furnishing service the Company may, by giving ten (10) days prior notice in writing to the Customer, discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability if such violation continues during that period.
- 5.5.3 Upon condemnation of any material portion of the facilities used by the Company to provide service to a Customer, or if a condition immediately dangerous or hazardous to life, physical safety or property exists, or if a casualty renders all or any material portion of such facilities inoperable beyond feasible repair, the Company, by notice to the Customer, may discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability.
- 5.5.4 Upon the Customer's insolvency, assignment for the benefit of creditors, filing for bankruptcy or reorganization, or failing to discharge an involuntary petition within the time permitted by law, the Company may immediately discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability.
- 5.5.5 Upon any governmental prohibition or required alteration of the services to be provided or any violation of an applicable law or regulation, the Company may immediately discontinue service without incurring any liability.
- 5.5.6 Upon the Company's discontinuance of service to the Customer under Section 5.5.1 and Section 5.5.2 above, the Company, in addition to all other remedies that may be available to the Company at law or in equity or under any other provision of the tariffs of the Company, may declare all future monthly and other charges which would have been payable by the Customer during, the remainder of the minimum term for which such services would have otherwise been provided to the Customer to be immediately due and payable (discounted to present value at six percent (6%)).
- 5.5.7 There is no assurance that a Customer will retain a phone number after disconnection.

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### 5.8 Taxes and Fees

The Customer is responsible for the payment of all sales, use, gross receipts, excise, access, bypass, franchise, or other local, state, and Federal taxes, fees, or charges, however designated, imposed on or based upon the provision, sales or use of the services delivered by the company, other than taxes imposed generally on corporations. All such taxes, fees, and charges shall be separately designated on the Company's invoices, and are not included in the tariffed rates.

- 5.8.1 Missouri Universal Service Fund
- A. The Company will place on each retail end-user customer's bill a surcharge equal to the Missouri Universal Service Fund percentage assessment ordered by the Commission.
- B. The surcharge will appear as a separate line item detailed as "Missouri Universal Service Fund."
- C. The surcharge percentage will be applied to the total of each customer's charges for intrastate regulated telecommunications services that meet the definition of net jurisdictional revenues at 4 CSR 240-31.010(12).

Surcharges or billing line items other than taxes and jurisdictional franchise fees must be authorized in tariffs approved by the Commission.

5.8.2 Facilities Charge

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The Facilities Charge provides for delivery of high quality services, including connecting customers to the network, customer service and network monitoring, updating operational systems, and the construction of a facilities-based network. The Facilities Charge is applied to each line. A Supplementary Facilities Charge is also applied to each line where Birch Long Distance service is used.

Charge Facilities Charge

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# 5.9 Bad Check Charge

A service charge equal to \$25.00 will be assessed for all checks returned by a bank or other financial institution for: insufficient or uncollected funds, closed account, apparent tampering, missing signature or endorsement, or any other insufficiency or discrepancy necessitating return of the instrument at the discretion of the drawee bank or other financial institution.

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### 5.10 Reconnection Fee

If service is disconnected or suspended by the Company and later reconnected or restored, Customer shall be subject to a reconnection fee of \$25.00 which must be paid prior to restoration of service.

# 5.11 Disputed Bills

The Customer may dispute a bill by written or oral notice to the Company. For oral notice, the Customer may contact the Company by calling 1-800-479-4824. Unless such notice is received in a timely fashion, the bill statement shall be deemed to be correct and payable in full by Customer. Any Customer who has a dispute, which has not been resolved to the Customer's satisfaction, shall be advised by the Company that the Customer may file a formal or informal complaint with the Commission.

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#### 5.10 Reconnection Fee

If service is disconnected or suspended by the Company and later reconnected or restored, Customer shall be subject to a reconnection fee of \$20.00 which must be paid prior to restoration of service.

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### SECTION 6.0 - CANCELLATION OF SERVICE

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# 6.1 Cancellation of Application for Service

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- 6.1.1 Applications for service under this tariff may be cancelled upon notice to the Company by the Customer. Where the Company permits the Customer to cancel an application for service prior to the start of service or prior to any special construction, no charges will be imposed except for those specified below.
- 6.1.2 Where, prior to cancellation by the Customer, the Company incurs any expenses in installing the service or in preparing to install the service that it otherwise would not have incurred, a charge equal to the costs the Company incurred, less net salvage, shall apply, but in no case shall this charge exceed the sum of the charge for the minimum period of services ordered, including installation charges, and all charges others levy against the Company that would have been chargeable to the Customer had service begun (all discounted to present value at six percent (6%)).
- 6.1.3 Where the Company incurs any expense in connection with special construction, or where special arrangements of facilities or equipment have begun, before the Company receives a cancellation notice, a charge equal to the costs incurred, less net salvage, applies. In such cases, the charge will be based on such elements as the cost of the equipment, facilities, and material, the cost of installation, engineering, labor, and supervision, general and administrative expense, other disbursements, depreciation, maintenance, taxes, provision for return on investment, and any other costs associated with the special construction or arrangements.
- 6.1.4 The charges described above will be calculated and applied on a case-by-case basis.

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# 6.2 Cancellation of Service by Customer

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If a Customer cancels a Service Order or terminates services before the completion of the term for any reason whatsoever other than a Major Service Interruption, Customer agrees to pay to the Company the following sums, within 21 days of the effective date of the cancellation or termination and be payable under the terms set forth in Section 5, preceding: all costs, fees and expenses reasonably incurred in connection with:

- 1) All Nonrecurring charges as specified in the Company's tariffs, plus
- 2) Any disconnection, early cancellation or termination charges reasonably incurred and paid to third parties by the Company on behalf of Customer, plus
- 3) All Recurring Charges specified in the applicable Company tariff for the balance of the then current term.

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# SECTION 7.0 - ALLOWANCE FOR INTERRUPTION IN SERVICEAR 27 2000

#### 7.1 General

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A credit allowance will be given when service is interrupted, except as specified in Section 7.2 following. A service is interrupted when it becomes inoperative to the customer, e.g., the customer is unable to transmit or receive, because of a failure of a component furnished by the Company under this tariff.

An interruption period begins when the customer reports a service, facility or circuit to be inoperative and, if necessary, releases it for testing and repair. An interruption period ends when the service, facility or circuit is operative.

If the customer reports a service, facility or circuit to be interrupted but declines to release it for testing and repair, or refuses access to its premises for test and repair by the Company, the service, facility or circuit is considered to be impaired but not interrupted. No credit allowances will be made for a service, facility or circuit considered by the Company to be impaired.

The customer shall be responsible for the payment of service charges as set forth herein for visits by the Company's agents or employees to the premises of the customer when the service difficulty or trouble report results from the use of equipment or facilities provided by any party other than the Company, including but not limited to the customer.

#### 7.2 Limitations of Allowances

No credit allowance will be made for any interruption in service:

- A. due to the negligence of or noncompliance with the provisions of this tariff by any person or entity other than the Company, including but not limited to the customer or other common carriers connected to the service of the Company;
- **B.** due to the failure of power, equipment, systems, connections or services not provided by the Company;
- C. due to circumstances or causes beyond the reasonable control of the Company;
- **D.** during any period in which the Company is not given full and free access to its facilities and equipment for the purposes of investigating and correcting interruptions;

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#### 7.2 Limitations of Allowances (continued)

- E. during any period when the customer has released service to the Company for maintenance purposes or for implementation of a customer order for a change in service arrangements;
- F. that occurs or continues due to the customer's failure to authorize replacement of any element of special construction; and
- G. that was not reported to the Company within 30 days of the date that service was affected.
- H. A service will not be deemed to be interrupted if a customer continues to voluntarily make use of the such service. If the service is interrupted, the customer can get a service credit, use another means of communications provided by the Company (under Section 7.3), or utilize another service provider;

#### 7.3 Use of Another Means of Communications

If the customer elects to use another means of communications during the period of interruption, the customer must pay the charges for the alternative service used.

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#### 7.4 Application of Credits for Interruptions in Service

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- 7.4.1 If a customer's service is interrupted other than by the negligence or willful act of the customer, and it remains out of order for eight normal working hours or longer after access to the premises is made available and after being reported to be out of order, appropriate adjustments or refunds shall be made to the customer. The amount of adjustment or refund shall be determined on the basis of the known period of interruption, generally beginning from the time the service interruption is first reported. The refund to the customer shall be a pro rata part of the month's flat rate charges for the period of days and that portion of the service facilities rendered useless or inoperative. The refund may be accomplished by a credit on a subsequent bill for the service.
- 7.4.2 For calculating credit allowances, every month is considered to have 30 days.

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# SECTION 8.0 – USE OF CUSTOMER'S SERVICE BY OTHERS Service Commission

#### 8.1 Resale and Sharing

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Any service provided by Ionex, excluding service(s) provided by Ionex through resale of SWBT's services, under the Company tariffs may be resold to or shared with other persons at the option of Customer, except as provided in 8.3, following. Customer remains solely responsible for all use of services ordered by it or billed to its telephone number(s) pursuant to the tariffs of the Company, for determining who is authorized to use its services, and for notifying the Company of any unauthorized use. Rates apply to all service that is resold or shared.

#### 8.2 Joint Use Arrangements

Joint use arrangements will be permitted for all services available for resale and sharing pursuant to the Company tariffs. From each joint use arrangement, one member will be designated as the Customer responsible for the manner in which the joint use of the service will be allocated. Ionex Communications, Inc. will accept orders to start, rearrange, relocate, or discontinue service only from the Customer. Without affecting the Customer's ultimate responsibility for payment of all charges for the service, each Joint User shall be responsible for the payment of the charges billed to it.

#### 8.3 Transfers and Assignments

Neither the Company nor the Customer may assign or transfer its rights or duties in connection with the services and facilities provided by the Company without the written consent of the other party and any appropriate authorizations, if necessary, except that the Company may assign its rights and duties (a) to any subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of the Company, (b) pursuant to any sale or transfer of substantially all the assets of the Company; or (c) pursuant to any financing, merger or reorganization of the Company.

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#### SECTION 9.0 - NOTICE AND COMMUNICATIONS

- A. The Customer shall designate on the Service Order an address to which the Company shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that Customer may also designate a separate address to which the Company's bills for service shall be mailed.
- B. The Company shall designate on the Service Order an address to which the Customer shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that the Company may designate a separate address on each bill for service to which the Customer shall mail payment on that bill.
- C. All notices or other communications required to be given pursuant to the tariffs of the Company will be in writing. Notices and other communications of either party, and all bills mailed by the Company, shall be presumed to have been delivered to the other party on the third business day following placement of the notice, communication or bill with the U.S. Mail or a private delivery service, prepaid and properly addressed, or when actually received or refused by the addressee, whichever occurs first.
- D. The Company or the Customer shall advise the other party of any changes to the addresses designated for notices, other communications or billing, by following the procedures for giving notice set forth herein.

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## SECTION 10.0 - SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION AND SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT 2000

#### 10.1 Special Construction

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Subject to the agreement of the Company and to all of the regulations contained in the tariffs of the Company, special construction and special arrangements may be undertaken on a reasonable efforts basis at the request of the Customer. Special arrangements include any facility relating to a regulated telecommunications not otherwise specified under tariff, or for the provision of service on an expedited basis or in some other manner different from the normal tariff conditions. Special construction is that construction undertaken:

- (a) where facilities are not presently available, and there is no other requirement for the facilities so constructed;
- (b) of a type other than that which the Company would normally utilize in the furnishing of its services;
- (c) over a route other than that which the Company would normally utilize in the furnishing of its services;
- (d) in a quantity greater than that which the Company would normally construct;
- (e) on an expedited basis;
- (f) on a temporary basis until permanent facilities are available;
- (g) involving abnormal costs; or
- (h) in advance of its normal construction.

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#### 10.2 Basis for Charges

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Where the Company furnishes a facility on a special construction basis, for which a rate or charge is not specified in the Company's tariffs, charges will be based on the costs incurred by the Company and may include, (1) nonrecurring type charges; (2) recurring type charges, (3) termination liabilities; or (4) combinations thereof. The agreement for special construction will ordinarily include a minimum service commitment based upon the estimated service life of the facilities provided.

#### 10.3 Basis for Cost Computation

The costs referred to in 10.2 preceding may include one or more of the following items to the extent they are applicable:

- (A) installed costs of the facilities to be provided including estimated costs for the rearrangements of existing facilities. Installed costs include the cost of:
  - (1) equipment and materials provided or used,
  - (2) engineering, labor and supervision,
  - (3) transportation,
  - (4) rights of way, and
  - (5) any other item chargeable to the capital account;

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#### 10.3 Basis for Cost Computation (continued)

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(B) annual charges including the following:

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- (2) depreciation on the estimated installed cost of any facilities provided, based on the anticipated useful service life of the facilities with an appropriate allowance for the estimated net salvage;
- administration, taxes and uncollectible revenue on the basis of reasonable average costs for these items;
- (4) any other identifiable costs related to the facilities provided; and
- (5) an amount for return and contingencies.

#### 10.4 Termination Liability

To the extent that there is no other requirement for use by the Company, the Customer may have a termination liability for facilities specially constructed at the request of the customer, if and only if such liability is clearly stated in a written agreement between the Company and the Customer.

- 1. The maximum termination liability is equal to the total cost of the special facility as determined under 10.3, preceding, adjusted to reflect the redetermined estimate net salvage, including any reuse of the facilities provided.
- 2. The maximum termination liability as determined in paragraph (1) shall be divided by the original term of service contracted for by the Customer (rounded up to the next whole number of months) to determine the monthly liability. The Customer's termination liability shall be equal to this monthly amount multiplied by the remaining unexpired term of service (rounded up to the next whole number of months), discounted to present value at six percent (6%), plus applicable taxes.

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#### MAR 27 2000 SECTION 11.0 – LIABILITY FOR UNAUTHORIZED USE OF THE NETWORK

# 11.1 Customer Liability for Unauthorized Use of the Network

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Unauthorized use of the network occurs when a person or entity that does not have actual, apparent, or implied authority to use the network, obtains the Company's services provided under this tariff.

#### 11.1.1 Customer Liability for Fraud and Unauthorized Use of the Network

- A. The customer is liable for the unauthorized use of the network obtained through the fraudulent use of a Company calling card, if such a card is offered by the Company, or an accepted credit card, provided that the unauthorized use occurs before the Company has been notified.
- B. A Company calling card is a telephone calling card issued by the Company at the customer's request, which enables the customer or authorized user to place calls over the network and to have the charges for such calls billed to the customer's account.

An accepted credit card is any credit card that a cardholder has requested or applied for and received, or has signed, used, or authorized another person to use to obtain credit. Any credit card issued as an renewal or substitute in accordance with this paragraph is an accepted credit card when received by the cardholder.

C. The customer must give the Company written or oral notice that an unauthorized use of a Company calling card or an accepted credit card has occurred or may occur as a result of loss or theft.

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#### **SECTION 12 - E-911**

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#### 12.1 E-911

- 12.1.1 The Company is obligated to supply the E-911 service provider in the Company's service area with accurate information necessary to update the E-911 database at the time the Company submits customer orders to the local exchange telecommunications company whose service is being resold pursuant to these tariffs.
- 12.1.2 At the time the Company provides basic local service to a customer by means of the Telephone company's own cable pair, or over any other exclusively owned facility, the Company will be obligated to make the necessary equipment or facility additions in the 911 service provider's equipment in order to properly update the database for 911.
- 12.1.3 The Company will be obligated to provide facilities to route calls from the end users to the proper PSAP. The company recognizes the authority of the E-911 customer to establish service specifications and grant final approval or denial of service configurations offered by the Company.
- 12.1.4 The Company will collect 911 surcharges and remit all surcharge revenue to the appropriate governmental entity pursuant to Section 190.310, RSMo.

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#### **SECTION 13.0 - EXCHANGE SERVICES**



#### 13.1 General Exchange Services

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The Company concurs in the rules and regulations, including all footnotes thereto, of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's tariffs on file with and approved by the Public Service Commission of the State of Missouri, and in any amendments thereto as authorized by the Missouri Public Service Commission or applicable law, including but not limited to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's General Exchange Tariff. The Company reserves the right to cancel and make void the above concurrence statement, subject to requirements as may be ordered by the Missouri Public Service Commission, at any and such time as it appears that such cancellation is in the best interest of the Company and/or its customers.

#### Applicability:

This tariff applies to the Company's resale of telecommunications services within Southwestern Bell Telephone exchanges which are located with the Telephone Company's authorized territories with the State of Missouri.

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#### Applicability:

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#### 13.2 List of Exchanges by Rate Group

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#### Rate Group A:

Lamar Adrian Climax Springs Portageville Advance Deering La Monte Puxico DeKalb Oulin Agency Delta Lancaster Richmond Altenburg-Frohna Leadwood Downing Richwoods Antonia East Prairie Archie Lilbourn Risco Argyle Edina Linn Rushville Elsberry Lockwood Ste. Genevieve Armstrong Louisiana Ash Grove Essex St. Marys Beaufort San Antonio **Bell City** Macks Creek Scott City Malden Benton Farley Senath **Billings** Favette Marble Hill Slater Fisk Marceline Bismarck Smithville Bloomfield Frankford Marionville Stanberry Bloomsdale Freeburg Marston Meta Gideon Trenton Glasgow Montgomery City Tuscumbia Grain Valley **Bowling Green** Morehouse Versailles Brookfield **Gray Summit** Vienna Greenwood New Franklin Campbell Cardwell Havti New Madrid Walnut Grove Carl Junction Herculaneum-Pevely Oak Ridge Wardell Old Appleton Carrolton Higbee Ware Caruthersville Hillsboro Oran Wellsville Center Holcomb Patton Westphalia Chaffee Hornersville Paynesville Charleston Jasper Pierce City Wyatt Clarksville

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Rate Group B:

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Boone Terre Boonville Camdenton Joplin Kennett Kirksville

Cape Giradeau

Lake Ozark-Osage Beach

Carthage Cedar Hill Chesterfield Chillicothe Desoto Dexter

Manchester Marshall Maxville Mexico Monett Moberly Neosho Nevada

Eldon
Eureka
Excelsior Springs
Farmington
Fenton

Neosho Nevada Pacific Perryville Pond Poplar Bluff St. Charles

Fenton
Festus-Crystal City
Flat River
Fredericktown
Fulton
Gravios Mills
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#### Rate Group C:

Springfield Metropolitan Exchanges

Metropolitan Calling Area 1

Principal Zone Base Rate Area

Fair Grove Nixa

Rogersville Strafford

Republic

Willard

#### Rate Group D:

Kansas City Metropolitan Exchanges

Principle Zone 2

Metro Calling Area 1

Metro Calling Area 2

Gladstone

Belton Blue Springs

Independence Parkville

East Independence

Raytown

Lee's Summit

South Kansas City

Liberty

Nashua

**Tiffany Springs** 

#### St. Louis Metropolitan Exchanges

Metro Calling Area 1

Metro Calling Area 2

Ferguson

Bridgeton

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Creve Coeur

Mehlville Overland Florissant

Riverview

Kirkwood Oakville

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13.3.1 OPTIONAL 2-WAY EXPANDED SERVICE AVAILABILITY

Springfield Optional 2-Way Expanded Service A: Walnut Grove (417/788), Ash Grove (417/751), Billings (417/744), Clever (417/743), Marionville (417/258)

St. Louis Optional 2-Way Expanded Service A: Portage Des Sioux (636/899), St.

Charles (636/255, 636/443, 636/896, 636/916, 636/940, 636/946, 636/947, 636/949), Chesterfield (636/519, 636/530, 636/532, 636/537, 636/728, 636/730, 636/735, 636/736, 636/737), Manchester (636/207, 636/227, 636/230, 636/256, 636/386, 636/392, 636/394, 636/891), Valley Park (636/225, 636/226, 636/529, 636/827, 636/861), Fenton (636/305. 636/343, 636/349, 636/717), Maxville(636/282, 636/296), Imperial (636/461, 636/464)

Kansas City Optional 2-Way Expanded Service A: Farley (816/330), Smithville (816/532), Grain Valley (816/847), Greenwood (816/537)

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13.3.1 OPTIONAL 2-WAY EXPANDED SERVICE AVAILABILITY (continued)

St. Louis Optional 2-Way Expanded Service B: Harvester (636/300, 636/441,

636/442, 636/477, 636/722, 636/793,

636/926, 636/928, 636/936,

636/939), Pond (636/405, 636/458),

Eureka (636/938), House Spg (636/671), High Ridge (636/677),

Antonia (636/942),

Herculaneum/Pevely (636/475)

Kansas City Optional 2-Way Expanded Service B: Excelsior Springs (816/629, 816/630)

St. Louis Optional 2-Way Expanded Service C: Gray Summit (636/451), Pacific

(636/271), Cedar Hill (636/274), Ware (636/452), Hillsboro (636/797), Festus/Crystal City (636/931), Desoto (636/337)

Kansas City Optional 2-Way Expanded Service C: Richmond (816/470), Archie (816/430)

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Springfield Optional 2-Way Expanded Service A: All customers in the SWBT

Springfield Metropolitan Exchange and SWBT MCA subscribers in MCA-2 exchanges.

St. Louis Optional 2-Way Expanded Service A:

All customers in the SWBT St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, all customers the SWBT MCA-3 exchange and SWBT MCA subscribers in MCA-4 and MCA-5.

Kansas City Optional 2-Way Expanded Service A: All customers in the SWBT

Kansas City Metropolitan Exchange, all SWBT customers in the MCA-3 exchange and SWBT MCA subscribers in MCA-4 and MCA-5 exchanges.

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St. Louis Optional 2-Way Expanded Service B:

All customers in the SWBT St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, all SWBT customers in the MCA-3 and MCA-4 exchanges, and SWBT MCA subscribers in the MCA-5 exchange.

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13.3.2 OPTIONAL 2-WAY EXPANDED DIALING SCOPES (continued)

Kansas City Optional 2-Way Expanded Service B: All customers in the SWBT Kansas
City Metropolitan Exchange, all
customers in the SWBT MCA-3 and
SWBT MCA-4 exchanges, and
SWBT MCA subscribers in the
MCA-5 exchange.

St. Louis Optional 2-Way Expanded Service C:

All customers in the SWBT St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, all SWBT customers in the MCA-3 and MCA-4 exchanges, and SWBT MCA subscribers in the MCA-5 exchange.

Kansas City Optional 2-Way Expanded Service C: All customers in the Kansas City

Metropolitan Exchange, all

customers in the MCA-3 and MCA-4

exchanges, and SWBT MCA

subscribers in the MCA-5 exchange.

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#### 13.4 OPTIONAL 1-WAY TOLL SAVER

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#### KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN EXCHANGE

**EXCHANGE (CALL FROM)** Principal Kansas City Zone & MCA-1 Zones Gladstone, Independence, Parkville, Raytown

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES:

All subscribers in the Kansas City Metropolitan Exchange; Sprint Missouri exchange of Ferrelyiew; Optional Metropolitan Calling service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Farley, Smithville, Grain Valley, Greenwood, Excelsior Springs, Richmond and Archie; The Missouri portion of the SWB's exchanges of Leavenworth; Sprint Missouri Inc.'s exchanges of Platte City, Kearney, Missouri City, Buckner, Lake Lotawana, Weston, South Kansas City Camden Point, Edgerton, Holt, Orrick, Oak Grove, Lone Jack, Pleasant Hill, Harrisonville, Dearborn, Henrietta, Wellington, Odessa, Holden, Kingsville and Strasburg; Spectra Communications Group LLC.'s exchanges of Trimble, Plattsburg and Lawson; Cass County Telephone Company's exchanges of Peculiar, Cleveland, East Lynne, Garden City and Drexel; Lathrop Telephone Company's exchange of Lathrop; MOKAN Dial Inc.'s exchange of Freeman; and Basehor, Kansas optional service customers.

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#### KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN EXCHANGE (continued)

EXCHANGE (CALL FROM) MCA-2 Zones East Independence, Tiffany Springs

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES:

All subscribers in the Kansas City Metropolitan Exchange; Sprint Missouri exchange of Ferrelview; Optional Metropolitan Calling service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Farley, Smithville, Grain Valley, Greenwood, Excelsior Springs, Richmond and Archie; The Missouri portion of the SWB's exchange of Leavenworth; Sprint Missouri Inc.'s exchanges of Platte City, Kearney, Missouri City, Buckner, Lake Lotawana, Weston, Camden Point, Edgerton, Holt, Orrick, Oak Grove, Lone Jack, Pleasant Hill, Harrisonville, Dearborn, Henrietta, Wellington, Odessa, Holden, Kingsville and Strasburg; Spectra Communications Group LLC.'s exchanges of Trimble, Plattsburg and Lawson; Cass County Telephone Company's exchanges of Peculiar, Cleveland, East Lynne, Garden City and Drexel; Lathrop Telephone Company's exchange of Lathrop; MOKAN Dial Inc.'s exchange of Freeman; and Basehor, Kansas optional service customers.

#### **EXCHANGE (CALL FROM)** MCA-2 Zone Beiton

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES:

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KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN EXCHANGE (continued)

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EXCHANGE (CALL FROM) MCA-2 Zone Lee's Summit

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES:

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**EXCHANGE (CALL FROM)** MCA-2 Zones Liberty, Nashua

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES:

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KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN EXCHANGE (continued)

**EXCHANGE (CALL FROM):** MCA-2 ZoneBlue Springs

(CALL TO) EXCHANGES:

All subscribers in the Kansas City Metropolitan Exchange and Grain Valley; Sprint Missouri exchange of Lake Lotawana, and Ferrelview; Optional Metropolitan Calling service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Farley, Greenwood, Excelsior Springs, Richmond and Archie; The Missouri portion of the SWB's exchange of Leavenworth; Sprint Missouri Inc.'s exchanges of Platte City, Kearney, Missouri City, Buckner, Weston, Camden Point, Edgerton, Holt, Orrick, Oak Grove, Lone Jack, Pleasant Hill, Harrisonville, Dearborn, Henrietta, Wellington, Odessa, Holden, Kingsville and Strasburg; Spectra Communications Group LLC.'s exchanges of Trimble, Plattsburg and Lawson; Cass County Telephone Company's exchanges of Peculiar. Cleveland, East Lynne, Garden City and Drexel; Lathrop Telephone Company's exchange of Lathrop; MOKAN Dial Inc.'s exchange of Freeman; and Basehor, Kansas optional service customers.

#### ST. LOUIS METROPOLITAN EXCHANGE

**EXCHANGE (CALL FROM)** Principal St. Louis Zone

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES

All subscribers in the St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, and Optional Metropolitan Calling Area service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Portage Des Sioux, St. Charles, Chesterfield, Manchester, Valley Park, Fenton, Maxville, Imperial, Harvester, Pond, Eureka, High Ridge, Antonia, Herculaneum-Pevely, Gray Summit, Pacific, Cedar Hill, Ware, Hillsboro, Festus-Crystal City and DeSoto; Verizon Midwest's exchanges of St. Peters, O'Fallon, Dardenne, Winfield, Troy, Old Monroe, Moscow Mills, Wentzville, Foristell, New Melle, Defiance and Augusta; Orchard Farm Telephone Company's exchange of Orchard Farm; Ameritech customers in East St. Louis and Granite City, Illinois who subscribe to Extended Local Area Service.

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EXCHANGE (CALL FROM) MCA-1 Zones Ferguson, Ladue, Overland, Riverview, Webster Groves

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES

All subscribers in the St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, and Optional Metropolitan Calling Area service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Portage Des Sioux, St. Charles, Chesterfield, Manchester, Valley Park, Fenton, Maxville, Imperial, Harvester, Pond, Eureka, High Ridge, Antonia, Herculaneum-Pevely, Gray Summit, Pacific, Cedar Hill, Ware, Hillsboro, Festus-Crystal City and DeSoto; Verizon Midwest's exchanges of St. Peters, O'Fallon, Dardenne, Winfield, Troy, Old Monroe, Moscow Mills, Wentzville, Foristell, New Melle, Defiance and Augusta; Orchard Farm Telephone Company's exchange of Orchard Farm.

EXCHANGE (CALL FROM) MCA-1 Zone Mehlville

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES

All subscribers in the St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, Maxville; and Optional Metropolitan Calling Area service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Portage Des Sioux, St. Charles, Chesterfield, Manchester, Valley Park, Fenton, Imperial, Harvester, Pond, Eureka, High Ridge, Antonia, Herculaneum-Pevely, Gray Summit, Pacific, Cedar Hill, Ware, Hillsboro, Festus-Crystal City and DeSoto; Verizon Midwest's exchanges of St. Peters, O'Fallon, Dardenne, Winfield, Troy, Old Monroe, Moscow Mills, Wentzville, Foristell, New Melle, Defiance and Augusta; Orchard Farm Telephone Company's exchange of Orchard Farm.

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**EXCHANGE (CALL FROM)** MCA-1 Zone Sappington

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES

All subscribers in the St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, Fenton, Maxville, and Optional Metropolitan Calling Area service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Portage Des Sioux, St. Charles, Chesterfield, Manchester, Valley Park, Imperial, Harvester, Pond, Eureka, High Ridge, Antonia, Herculaneum-Pevely, Gray Summit, Pacific, Cedar Hill, Ware, Hillsboro, Festus-Crystal City and DeSoto; Verizon Midwest's exchanges of St. Peters, O'Fallon, Dardenne, Winfield, Troy, Old Monroe, Moscow Mills, Wentzville, Foristell, New Melle, Defiance and Augusta; Orchard Farm Telephone Company's exchange of Orchard Farm

EXCHANGE (CALL FROM) MCA-2 Zones Bridgeton, Florissant, Spanish Lake

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES

All subscribers in the St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, and Optional Metropolitan Calling Area service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Portage Des Sioux, St. Charles, Chesterfield, Manchester, Valley Park, Fenton, Maxville, Imperial, Harvester, Pond, Eureka, High Ridge, Antonia, Herculaneum-Pevely, Gray Summit, Pacific, Cedar Hill, Ware, Hillsboro, Festus-Crystal City and DeSoto; Verizon Midwest's exchanges of St. Peters, O'Fallon, Dardenne, Winfield, Troy, Old Monroe, Moscow Mills, Wentzville, Foristell, New Melle, Defiance and Augusta; Orchard Farm Telephone Company's exchange of Orchard Farm.

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ST. LOUIS METROPOLITAN EXCHANGE (continued)

EXCHANGE (CALL FROM) MCA-2 Zone Kirkwood

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES

All subscribers in the St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, Manchester, Fenton and Valley Park; Optional Metropolitan Calling Area service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Portage Des Sioux, St. Charles, Chesterfield, Maxville, Imperial, Harvester, Pond, Eureka, High Ridge, Antonia, Herculaneum-Pevely, Gray Summit, Pacific, Cedar Hill, Ware, Hillsboro, Festus-Crystal City and DeSoto; Verizon Midwest's exchanges of St. Peters, O'Fallon, Dardenne, Winfield, Troy, Old Monroe, Moscow Mills, Wentzville, Foristell, New Melle, Defiance and Augusta; Orchard Farm Telephone Company's exchange of Orchard Farm.

**EXCHANGE (CALL FROM)** MCA-2 Zone Oakville

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES

All subscribers in the St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, Maxville and Imperial; Optional Metropolitan Calling Area service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Portage Des Sioux, St. Charles, Chesterfield, Manchester, Valley Park, Fenton, Harvester, Pond, Eureka, High Ridge, Antonia, Herculaneum-Pevely, Gray Summit, Pacific, Cedar Hill, Ware, Hillsboro, Festus-Crystal City and DeSoto; Verizon Midwest's exchanges of St. Peters, O'Fallon, Dardenne, Winfield, Troy, Old Monroe, Moscow Mills, Wentzville, Foristell, New Melle, Defiance and Augusta; Orchard Farm Telephone Company's exchange of Orchard Farm.

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All subscribers in the St. Louis Metropolitan Exchange, Chesterfield and Manchester; Optional Metropolitan Calling Area service subscribers in SWB's exchanges of Portage Des Sioux, St. Charles, Valley Park, Fenton, Maxville, Imperial, Harvester, Pond, Eureka, High Ridge, Antonia, Herculaneum-Pevely, Gray Summit, Pacific, Cedar Hill, Ware, Hillsboro, Festus-Crystal City and DeSoto; Verizon Midwest's exchanges of St. Peters, O'Fallon, Dardenne, Winfield, Troy, Old Monroe, Moscow Mills, Wentzville, Foristell, New Melle, Defiance and Augusta; Orchard Farm Telephone Company's exchange of Orchard Farm.

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**EXCHANGE (CALL FROM)** Principal Springfield Zone

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES

All subscribers in the Springfield Metropolitan Exchange; Optional MCA-2 subscribers in the SWB exchanges of Ash Grove, Billings, Clever, Marionville, and Walnut Grove; Verizon Midwest exchanges of Elkland, Fordland, Highlandville, Hurley, Marshfield, Ozark and Sparta; ALLTEL Communications, Inc.'s exchanges of Morrisville and Pleasant Hope; and Choctaw Telephone Company's exchange of Halltown.

**EXCHANGE** (CALL FROM) MCA-1 Zones Fair Grove, Nixa, Republic, Rogersville, Strafford, Willard

#### (CALL TO) EXCHANGES

All subscribers in the Springfield Metropolitan Exchange; Optional MCA-2 subscribers in the SWB exchanges of Ash Grove, Billings, Clever, Marionville, and Walnut Grove; Verizon Midwest exchanges of Elkland, Fordland, Highlandville, Hurley, Marshfield, Ozark and Sparta; ALLTEL Communications, Inc.'s exchanges of Morrisville and Pleasant Hope; and Choctaw Telephone Company's exchange of Halltown.

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Basic Local Telecommunications Services consist of the services offered pursuant to this tariff, either individually or in combination. Each service is offered independently of the other and offered via the Company's facilities, conventional network elements purchased from other local exchange carriers, or via resale of facilities of other local exchange carriers for the transmission of one-way or two-way communications, unless otherwise noted.

Services Offered

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The following network services are available to all Customers.

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Standard Local Service
Digital T-1 Loop Service
PBX Trunk Service
Direct Inward Dial (DID) Service
Optional Calling Features
ISDN Service - Basic Rate and Primary Rate
Centrex Service

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Centrex Service
Directory Assistance and Listing Services (including Non-published and Non-list Services)
Operator Services

Pre-subscription Charges Miscellaneous Services

#### Restrictions

Local service is offered for originating and terminating local calls. Service may not be used for the originating or the terminating of non-local calls without paying applicable access charges and/or toll charges.

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Standard Local Service

Digital T-1 Loop Service

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Direct Inward Dial (DID) Service

Optional Calling Features

ISDN Service - Basic Rate and Primary Rate

Centrex Service

Directory Assistance and Listing Services (including Non-published and Non-list Services)

**Operator Services** 

Pre-subscription Charges

Miscellaneous Services

#### Restrictions

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All local services are restricted from originating or terminating pay per call services including 900/976.

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#### Services Offered

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Standard Local Service
PBX Trunk Service
Direct Inward Dial (DID) Service
Optional Calling Features
ISDN Service - Basic Rate and Primary Rate
Centrex Service
Directory Assistance and Listing Services (including Nonpublished and Non-list Services)
Operator Services
Presubscription Charges
Miscellaneous Services

#### Restrictions

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Basic Local Telecommunications Services consist of the services offered pursuant to this tariff either individually or in combination. Each service is offered independently of the other and offered via the Company's facilities, conventional network elements purchased from other local exchange carriers, or via resale of facilities of other local exchange carriers for the transmission of one-way or two-way communications, unless otherwise noted.

#### Services Offered

The following network services are available to all Customers.

Standard Local Service
PBX Trunk Service
Direct Inward Dial (DID) Service
Optional Calling Features
ISDN Service - Basic Rate and Primary Rate
Centrex/Plexar Service
Directory Assistance and Listing Services (including Nonpublished and Non-list Services)
Operator Services
Presubscription Charges
Miscellaneous Services

#### Restrictions

Local service is offered for originating and terminating local calls. Service may not be used for the originating or the terminating of non-local calls without paying applicable access charges and /or toll charges.

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An optional per line hunting feature is available for multi-line customers which routes a call to an idle station line in a prearranged group when the called station line is busy. Where facilities permit, more than one type of optional hunting arrangement may be provided.

Local exchange service lines and trunks are provided on a single party (individual) basis only. No multi-party lines are provided. Local calling service is available on a flat rated basis.

Standard Local Service provides a Customer with the ability to connect to the Company switching network which enables the Customer to:

- (a) place or receive calls to any calling station in the local calling area;
- (b) access 911 and/or Enhanced 911 Emergency Service;
- (c) access the interexchange carrier selected by the Customer for interLATA, intraLATA, interstate or international calling;
- (d) access Operator Services;
- (e) access Directory Assistance for the local calling area;
- (f) place or receive calls to 800 telephone numbers;
- (g) access Telephone Relay Service;
- (h) a directory listing of the main telephone number.

#### 14.1.0 Ionex Elite Bundled Group D Service (1)

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Ionex Business Elite Service (Flat or Hunt Lines) and Priority Calling are included in this package for a monthly recurring charge available to new and existing Customers. Ionex Long Distance is required for this package.

Offer available only with Elite Business Price Plan: 1 Year Contract Required.

Ionex Elite Bundled Group D Service is not available with Centrex, Plexar, Off-Premise Locations, Digital Circuits, Digital Trunks, Telebranches, ISDN, Message Party Lines and Payphones.

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Offer available only with Elite Business Price Plan: 1 Year Contract Required.

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- (h) a directory listing of the main telephone number.

14.1.1 Digital T-1 Loop Service\*

Digital T-1 Loop Service provides for a 1.544 Mbps transmission facility from a T-1 termination unit at the Customer premise to the Serving Central Office. Digital T-1 Loops support 24 digital 64 kbps channels. The Digital T-1 Loop can access the Public Telephone Switching Network either through individual line terminations or a single 24 channel digital T-1 trunk. The Digital T-1 Loop Service is not available for use in conjunction with internet service provider (ISP) modems or with auto-dialer equipment

\*Digital T-1 Loop Service is available where facilities exist.

Existing Customers of Digital T-1 Loop Service will be grandfathered as of the Effective Date of this 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Page 62.

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- (f) place or receive calls to 800 telephone numbers:
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- (d) access Operator Services;
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- (d) access Operator Services;
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- (f) place or receive calls to 800 telephone numbers;
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- (a) place or receive calls to any calling station in the local calling area;
- (b) access 911 and/or Enhanced 911 Emergency Service;
- (c) access the interexchange carrier selected by the Customer for interLATA, intraLATA, interstate or international calling;
- (d) access Operator Services;
- (e) access Directory Assistance for the local calling area;
- (f) place or receive calls to 800 telephone numbers;
- (g) access Telephone Relay Service;
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\*Digital T-1 Loop Service is available where facilities exist.

Existing Customers of Digital T-1 Loop Service will be grandfathered as of the Effective Date of this 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Page 62.

# 14.1.1.A Ionex MegaTrunk UNE-P (formerly known as Off-Net Digital T-1 Trunks)

Ionex MegaTrunk UNE-P Service provides for a 1.544 Mbps transmission facility from a 4-wire T-1 interface termination unit at the Customer premise to the Serving Central Office. Digital T-1 loops support 24 digital 64 kbps channels. The Digital T-1 Loop can access the Public Switched Telephone Network either through individual line terminations or single 24 channel digital T-1 trunks. 24 Trunk minimum per T-1 required with this product. Standard features include hunting, 24 trunks (2-way, inward/outward) and DID signaling. Ionex MegaTrunk UNE-P Service is not available in conjunction with the following features: Night Number Terminals, Toll Circuits, Off- Premise Extension, Centrex, Measured Usage or Channelized T-1 Terminations. Available where facilities exist only. Ionex MegaTrunk UNE-P Service is not available for use in conjunction with internet service provider (ISP) modems or with auto-dialer equipment.

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#### **SECTION 14.0 - DESCRIPTION OF LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES (Continued)**

#### 14.1.1 Digital T-1 Loop Service\*

Digital T-1 Loop Service provides for a 1.544 Mbps transmission facility from a T-1 termination unit at the Customer premise to the Serving Central Office. Digital T-1 Loops support 24 digital 64 kbps channels. The Digital T-1 Loop can access the Public Telephone Switching Network either through individual line terminations or a single 24 channel digital T-1 trunk. The Digital T-1 Loop Service is not available for use in conjunction with internet service provider (ISP) modems or with auto-dialer equipment

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#### 14.1.1.A Ionex MegaTrunk UNE-P (formerly known as Off-Net Digital T-1 Trunks)

Ionex MegaTrunk UNE-P Service provides for a 1.544 Mbps transmission facility from a 4-wire T-1 interface termination unit at the Customer premise to the Serving Central Office. Digital T-1 loops support 24 digital 64 kbps channels. The Digital T-1 Loop can access the Public Switched Telephone Network either through individual line terminations or single 24 channel digital T-1 trunks. 24 Trunk minimum per T-1 required with this product. Standard features include hunting, 24 trunks (2-way, inward/outward) and DID signaling. Ionex MegaTrunk UNE-P Service is not available in conjunction with the following features: Night Number Terminals, Toll Circuits, Off- Premise Extension, Centrex, Measured Usage or Channelized T-1 Terminations. Available where facilities exist only. Ionex MegaTrunk UNE-P Service is not available for use in conjunction with internet service provider (ISP) modems or with auto-dialer equipment.

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## 14.1.1 Digital T-1 Loop Service\*

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Digital T-1 Loop Service provides for a 1.544 Mbps transmission facility from a T-1 termination unit at the Customer premise to the Serving Central Office. Digital T-1 Loops support 24 digital 64 kbps channels. The Digital T-1 Loop can access the Public Telephone Switching Network either through individual line terminations or a single 24 channel digital T-1 trunk. The Digital T-1 Loop Service is not available for use in conjunction with internet service provider (ISP) modems or with auto-dialer equipment

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#### 14.1.1.A Off-Net Digital T-1 Trunks

Off-Net Digital T-1 Trunk Service provides for a 1.544 Mbps transmission facility from a 4-wire T-1 interface termination unit at the Customer premise to the Serving Central Office. Digital T-1 loops support 24 digital 64 kbps channels. The Digital T-1 Loop can access the Public Switched Telephone Network either through individual line terminations or single 24 channel digital T-1 trunks. 24 Trunk minimum per T-1 required with this product. Standard features include hunting, 24 trunks (2-way, inward/outward) and DID signaling. Off-Net Digital T-1 Trunk Service is not available in conjunction with the following features: Night Number Terminals, Toll Circuits, Off- Premise Extension, Centrex, Measured Usage or Channelized T-1 Trunk Service is not available where facilities exist only. Off-Net Digital T-1 Trunk Service is not available for use in conjunction with internet service provider (ISP) modems or with auto-dialer equipment.

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### 14.2 PBX Trunk Service\*(1)

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PBX Trunk Service provides a Customer with a single voice-grade telephonic communications channel which can be used to place or receive one call a time. Trunks are provided for connection of Customer provided PBXs or other station equipment to the public switched telecommunications network.

PBX Trunks are available to Customers as inward, outward or two-way combination trunks where services and facilities permit.

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#### 14.2.0 Off-Net Basic Two-Way Outbound Trunk Service

Off-Net Basic Two-Way Outbound Trunk Service is a Service that provides a Customer with a single voice-grade telephonic communications channel which can be used to place or receive one call at a time. Basic trunks are provided for connection of the Customer-provided 2 wire analog loop start or ground start interface (Private Branch Exchanges) to the Public Switched Telecommunications Network. Each Off-Net Basic Two-Way Outbound Trunk is provided with touch-tone signaling, Caller ID and may be configured into a hunt group with other Company-provided basic trunks, two-way or outbound. (For Two-Way trunks with DID see DID description and rates.) The signal is an analog signal at the voice grade level. Off-Net Basic Two-Way Outbound Service is not available in conjunction with the following features: Night Number Terminals, Toll Circuits, Off-Premise Extension, Centrex, Measured Usage or Channelized T-1 Terminations. Minimum of 6 trunks required per Customer location.

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PBX Trunks are available to Customers as inward, outward or two-way combination trunks where services and facilities permit.

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#### 14.2 PBX Trunk Service\*

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Basic PBX Trunk Service provides a Customer with a single voice-grade telephonic communications channel which can be used to place or receive one call at a time. Basic trunks are provided for connection of the Customer-provided private branch exchanges to the public switched telecommunications network. Each basic PBX trunk is provided with touch-tone signaling and may be configured into a hunt group with other Company-provided basic PBX trunks. The signal is an analog signal at the voice grade level.

PBX Trunk Service provides a Customer with a single voice-grade telephonic communications channel which can be used to place or receive one call a time. Trunks are provided for connection of Customer provided PBXs or other station equipment to the public switched telecommunications network.

PBX Trunks are available to Customers as inward, outward or two-way combination trunks where services and facilities permit.

## 14.3 Direct Inward Dialing (DID) Service\*

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Direct inward dialing (DID) permits calls incoming to a PBX system or other Customer premises equipment to be routed to a specific station without the assistance of an attendant. DID calls are routed directly to the station associated with the called number. DID service as offered by the Company provides the necessary trunks, telephone numbers and out-pulsing of digits to enable DID service at a Customer's location. DID service requires special PBX software and hardware not provided by the Company. Such hardware and software is the Customer's responsibility.

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### 14.3.1 Off-Net Basic DID (Direct Inward Dialing) Service

Off-Net Basic Direct Inward Dialing (DID) Service permits calls incoming to a PBX system or other Customer premises equipment to be routed to a specific station without the assistance of an attendant. DID calls are routed directly to the station associated with the Called Number. DID Service as offered by the Company provides the necessary trunks, telephone numbers and out-pulsing of digits to enable DID Service at a Customer's location via a 2-wire analog loop start or ground start interface. DID Service requires special PBX software and hardware not provided by the Company. Such hardware and software is the Customer's responsibility. Standard features include hunting, inward only or 2-way trunks and DID signaling. Off-Net Basic DID Service is not available in conjunction with the following features: Night Number Terminals, Toll Circuits, Off- Premise Extension, Centrex, Measured Usage or Channelized T-1 Terminations. Minimum 6 trunks per Customer location required for this Service.

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#### 14.4 Optional Calling Features

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The features listed in this section are offered to Customers either under the Standard Local Service, Enhanced Local Service or as options. For the option service rates see Section 16.4.

#### 14.4.1 Feature Descriptions

- A. Call Block allows the end-user to automatically block incoming calls from up to twelve end user pre-selected telephone numbers programmed into the feature's screening list. Callers whose numbers have been blocked will hear a recorded message stating that their call has been blocked. The end-user controls when the feature is active, and can add or remove calling numbers from the feature's screening list.
- B. Call Forwarding Busy Line Basic permits the forwarding of incoming calls when the end-user's line is busy. The forwarded number is fixed by the end-user service order.
- C. Call Forwarding Don't Answer Basic permits the forwarding of incoming calls when the end-user's line remains unanswered after a pre-designated ringing interval. The ringing interval before forwarding and the forward-to number are fixed by the service order.
- Call Forwarding permits the end-user to automatically forward (transfer) all incoming calls to another telephone number, and to restore it to normal operation. The end-user must dial an activation code from his/her exchange line along with the forward-to number, and the forwardto-number must answer the call in order to turn the feature on. A separate code is dialed by the end-user to deactivate the feature.

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#### 14.4.1 Feature Descriptions (continued)

- E. Call Forwarding Remote Access permits the end-user to automatically forward (transfer) all incoming calls to another telephone number, and to restore it to normal operation at their discretion. The end-user must dial an activation code along with the forward-to number to turn the feature on. A separate code is dialed by the end-user to deactivate the feature. Feature activation may be performed from the end-user's exchange line or remotely from some other line. Remote access requires the end-user to 1) dial a special access number 2) enter their seven-digit telephone number and 3) enter a personal identification number prior to forwarding their calls.
- F. Call Return allows the Customer to return a call to the last incoming call whether answered or not. Upon activation, it will re-dial the number automatically and continue to check the number every 45 seconds for up to 30 minutes if the number is busy. The Customer is alerted with a distinctive ringing pattern when the busy number is free. When the Customer answers the ring, the call is then completed.

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14.4.1 Feature Descriptions (continued)

G. Call Tracing

Customers receiving annoying anonymous calls may request:

A telephone number change, which will be provided at no charge by the Company or the ability to utilize Call Trace on a per activation basis, as needed. Call Trace allows the customer to dial a code (\*57) to automatically request that the following information be recorded:

The originating telephone number.

The date and time of the call.

The date and time Call Trace was activated.

When Call trace successfully identifies a calling number, a recording instructs the customer to call a toll free number, which will activate a Voice Response Script and assist the customer in establishing an open file. Should the Customer decide to prosecute the call originating party, the customer should contact Ionex Communications, Inc. by calling 1-800-479-4824 for further instructions. Activation of Call Trace never authorizes Ionex Communications, Inc. to provide the called party with the name or telephone number of the calling party. In the event that Call Trace is not available or is unable to resolve the case, it may necessary to place a manual trap on the Customer's telephone line.

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## 14.4.1 Feature Descriptions (continued)

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- H. Call Waiting Basic provides a tone signal to indicate to a Customer already engaged in a telephone call that a second caller is attempting to dial in. It permits the Customer to place the first call on hold, answer the second call and then alternate between both callers. Cancel Call Waiting is provided with the feature and allows a Call Waiting end-user to disable the Call Waiting feature for the duration of a single outgoing telephone call. Cancel Call Waiting is activated by dialing a special code prior to placing a call, and is automatically deactivated when the Customer disconnects from the call.
- I. Call Waiting Deluxe allows the end-user to control the treatment applied to incoming calls while the Customer is off-hook on an existing call. This feature includes the capabilities of Call Waiting Basic plus additional call treatment options. Treatment options offered with Call Waiting Deluxe include:

Answer the waiting call and placing the first party on hold; Answer the waiting call and disconnecting from the first party; Forward the waiting caller to another location (e.g., voice mailbox or telephone answering service); and, Call Name Delivery

Full use of Call Waiting Deluxe requires specialized CPE not provided by the Company. It is the responsibility of the Customer to provide the necessary CPE. The end-user must have Caller ID Basic or Deluxe for display of calling party identification information for waiting calls. The end-user must have a Call Forwarding Don't Answer feature active in order to forward a waiting call to another location.

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#### 14.4 Optional Calling Features (continued)

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#### J. Caller ID

This feature enables the customer to view on a display unit the Calling Party Directory Name and/or Number (CPN) on incoming telephone calls

When the Caller ID is activated on a Customer's line, the CPN of incoming calls are displayed on the called CPE during the first long silent interval of ringing cycle.

Per Line Blocking for the blocking of CPN will be available upon request, at no charge, only to the following entities for lines over which the official business of the agency is conducted, including those at the residencies of employees/volunteers, where an executive officer of the agency registers a need for blocking and provides the required certification to Ionex Communications, Inc.

- 1. Private, nonprofit, tax exempt, domestic violence intervention agencies and
- 2. Federal, State and local law enforcement agencies.

The CPN will not be transmitted from a line equipped with this capability. Per Line Blocking is operational on a continuous basis but can be deactivated by the Customer by dialing an access code immediately prior to placing a call.

Line blocking Customers can unblock their CPN information on a per call basis, at no charge, by dialing an access code (#82 on their Touch-Tone pad or 1182 from a rotary phone) immediately prior to placing a call.

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### J. Caller ID (continued)

A Customer may prevent the delivery of their calling name and/or number to the called party by dialing an access code (#67 on their Touch-Tone pad or 1167 from a rotary phone) immediately prior to placing a call. The Access code will activate per call blocking, which is available at no charge. If the calling party activates blocking, the CPN will not be transmitted across the line to the called party. Instead, Calling Line Identification customers will receive an anonymous indicator. This anonymous indicator notifies the Caller ID customer that the calling party has elected to block the delivery of their name and telephone number. The blocking of CPN will not be provided on calls originating from Customer-Owned pay Telephone Services. If the Caller ID customer also subscribes to Anonymous Call Rejection, the calling party will be routed to a telephone company recording advising the caller that the called party will not accept calls whose CPN has been blocked.

Any Customer subscribing to Caller ID will be responsible for the provision of a display device, which will be located on the Customer's premises. The installation, repair and technical capability of that equipment to function in conjunction with the feature specified herein will be the responsibility of the Customer. The Company assumes no liability and will be held harmless for any incompatibility of this equipment to perform satisfactorily with the network features described herein.

Telephone CPN information transmitted via Caller ID is intended solely for the use of the Caller ID subscriber. Resale of this information is prohibited by this tariff. CPN will not be displayed if the called party is off-hook or if the called party answers during the first ring interval. CPN will be displayed for calls made from another central office only if it is linked by appropriate facilities. Caller ID is not available on operator handled calls.

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- K. Caller ID Deluxe permits the end-user to view a directory name and directory number of the calling party on incoming telephone calls.

  Information is displayed on a specialized CPE not provided by the Company. The feature also provides the date and time of each incoming call. It is the responsibility of the Customer to provide the necessary CPE. In some situations, the calling party's city and state may be displayed rather than a directory name, depending on available call data.
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