

**COLORADO**  
**LOCAL EXCHANGE**  
**AND**  
**INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF**  
**OF**  
**CLEAR RATE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

This Tariff List contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of service for local exchange and interexchange telecommunication services within the state of Colorado provided by Clear Rate Communications, Inc. These rates are neither regulated nor approved by the Colorado Public Utilities Commission. Copies of this Tariff may be inspected at Clear Rate Communications; Inc.'s principal office located at 555 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham, Michigan 48009, during normal business hours.

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**EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS**

- C To signify changed regulation
- D To signify discontinued rate or regulation
- I To signify increase
- M To signify matter relocated without change
- N To signify new rate or regulation
- R To signify reduction
- S To signify reissued matter
- T To signify a change in text but no change in rate or regulation

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**TARIFF FORMAT**

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- A. Sheet Numbering – Sheet numbers appear in the right corner of the page. Sheets are numbered sequentially. However, new sheets are occasionally added to the Tariff. When a new sheet is added between sheets already in effect, a decimal is added. For example, a new sheet added between sheets 13 and 14 would be 13.1.
- B. Sheet Revision Numbers – Sheet revision numbers also appear in the upper right corner of each sheet. These numbers are used to determine the most current sheet version of this Tariff. Consult the check sheet for the sheet currently in effect.
- C. Paragraph Numbering Sequence – There are nine levels of paragraph coding. Each level of coding is subservient to its next higher level:

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**SECTION 1 – APPLICATION OF TARIFF**

**1. APPLICATION OF TARIFF**

1.1 Applicable Services

This Tariff sets forth the regulations and rates applicable to services provided by Clear Rate Communications, Inc. as follows:

1.1.1. The furnishing of intrastate communications services, including local exchange and long distance service, by virtue of one-way and/or two-way information transmission between points within the State of Colorado.

1.1.2. Service Territory

Clear Rate Communications, Inc. will provide service in the areas in which Qwest d/b/a CenturyLink QC is the incumbent local exchange carrier throughout the State of Colorado. Lists of applicable Exchange Areas and Local Calling Areas is contained in this Tariff at Section 11.

1.2 Availability

Service is available where facilities permit.

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**SECTION 2 – DEFINITIONS****2. DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO TARIFF**

**Access Line** – An arrangement which connects the Customer’s location to a carrier’s switching center or point of presence.

**Account Codes** – Optional, Customer-defined digits that allow the Customer to identify the individual user, department or client associated with a call. Account Codes appear on the Customer bill.

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

**Authorized User** – A person, firm, corporation, or any other entity authorized by the Customer to communicate utilizing the Company’s service.

**Available Usage Balance** – The amount of usage remaining on a Debit Account at any particular point in time. Each Debit Account begins with an initial usage amount which is depleted as services provided by the Company are utilized by the Customer.

**Business** – A class of service provided to individuals engaged in business, firms, partnerships, corporations, agencies, shops, works, tenants of office buildings, and individuals practicing a profession or operating a business who have no offices other than their residences and where the use of the service is primarily or substantially of a business, professional or occupational nature.

**Business Customer** – A Business Customer is a Customer who subscribes to the Company’s Service(s) and whose primary use of the Service is of a business, professional, institutional, or otherwise occupational nature.

**Business Service** – A switched network service that provides for dial station communications that is described as a business or commercial rate.

**Commission** – Colorado Public Utilities Commission.

**Company or Carrier**– Used throughout this Tariff to refer to Clear Rate Communications, Inc., unless otherwise clearly indicated by the context.

**Customer** – The person, firm, corporation or other entity which orders, cancels, amends or uses service and is responsible for payment of charges and compliance with the Company’s Tariff.



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**2. DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO TARIFF, CONT'D.**

**Debit Account** - An account which consists of a pre-paid usage balance depleted on a real time basis during each Debit Service Call.

**Deposit** – Refers to a cash or equivalent of cash security held as a guarantee for payment of the charges.

**Dial Pulse (or “DP”)** – The pulse type employed by rotary dial station sets.

**DID Trunk** – A form of local switched access that provides the ability for an outside party to call an internal extension directly without the intervention of the Company operator.

**Dual Tone Multi-Frequency (or “DTMF”)** – The pulse type employed by tone dial station sets.

**End Office** – With respect to each NPA-NXX code prefix assigned to the Company, the location of the Company’s “end office” for purposes of this Tariff shall be the point of interconnection associated with that NPA-NXX code in the Local Exchange Routing Guide (“LERG”), issued by Telcordia.

**End User** – Any person, firm, corporation, partnership or other entity which uses the services of the Company under the provisions and regulations of this Tariff. The End User is responsible for payment unless the charges for the services utilized are accepted and paid for by another Customer.

**Hearing Impaired** – Those persons with communication impairments, including those hearing impaired, deaf, deaf/blind, and speech impaired persons who have an impairment that prevents them from communicating over the telephone without the aid of a telecommunications device for the deaf.

**Holidays** - Holidays observed by the Company as specified in this Tariff.

**Hunting** – Routes a call to an idle station line in a prearranged group when the called station line is busy.

**In-Only** – A service attribute that restricts outward dial access and routes incoming calls to a designated answer point.

**IXC or Interexchange Carrier** – A long distance telecommunications services provider.

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**2. DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO TARIFF, CONT'D.**

**LATA** – A Local Access and Transport Area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgement entered by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in *United States v American Telephone and Telegraph Co.*, 569 F.Supp. 990 (D.D.C. 1983); or any other geographic area designated as a LATA in the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4.

**LEC** – Local Exchange Company

**Minimum Point of Presence (“MPOP”)** – The main telephone closet in the Customer’s building.

**Monthly Recurring Charges** – The monthly charges to the Customer for services, facilities and equipment, which continue for the agreed upon duration of the service.

**Multi-Frequency or (“MF”)** – An inter-machine pulse type used for signaling between telephone switches or between telephone switches and PBX/key systems.

**Non-Recurring Charge (“NRC”)** – The initial charge, usually assessed on a one-time basis, to initiate and establish service.

**Other Telephone Company** – An Exchange Telephone Company, other than the Company.

**PBX** – Private Branch Exchange

**Personal Account Code** - A pre-defined series of numbers to be dialed by the Customer or Authorized User upon access to the Carrier’s network which identifies the Debit Account from which charges for service shall be debited and which validates the caller’s authorization to use the services provided.

**Premises** – A building or buildings on contiguous property.

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

**Residential Customer** – A Residential Customer is a person to whom telecommunications services are furnished by the Company predominantly for personal or domestic purposes at the person’s dwelling.

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**2. DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO TARIFF, CONT'D.**

**Service Commencement Date** – The first day following the date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the requested service is available for use, unless extended by the Customer's refusal to accept service which does not conform to standards set forth in the Service Order and this Tariff, in which case the Service Commencement Date is the date of the Customer's acceptance. The Company and Customer may mutually agree on a substitute Service Commencement Date.

**Service Order** – The written request for services executed by the Customer and the Company in the format devised by the Company. The signing of an Order by the Customer and acceptance by the Company initiates the respective obligations of the parties as set forth therein and pursuant to this Tariff, but the duration of the service is calculated from the Service Commencement Date.

**Switched Access** - A method for reaching the Company through the local switched network whereby the End User uses standard business or residential local lines.

**TBD** - To Be Determined.

**Telecommunications Company or Provider** - Used throughout this Tariff to mean Clear Rate Communications, Inc. unless clearly indicated otherwise by the text.

**Two Way** – A service attribute that includes outward dial capabilities for outbound calls and can also be used to carry inbound calls to a central point for further processing.

**Usage Based Charges** – Charges for minutes or messages traversing over local exchange facilities.

**User or End User** – A Customer, Joint User, or any other person authorized by a Customer to use service provider under this Tariff.

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**SECTION 3 – GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS****3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

## 3.1 Use of Facilities and Services

## 3.1.1. Obligation of the Company

In furnishing facilities and service, the Company does not undertake to transmit messages, but furnishes the use of its facilities to its customers for communications.

The Company's obligation to furnish facilities and service is dependent upon its ability (a) to secure and retain, without unreasonable expense, suitable facilities and rights for the construction and maintenance of the necessary circuits and equipment; (b) to secure and retain, without unreasonable expense, suitable space for its plant and facilities in the building where service is or will be provided to the customer; or (c) to secure reimbursement of all costs where the owner or operator of a building demands relocation or rearrangement of plant and facilities used in providing service therein.

The Company shall not be required to furnish, or continue to furnish, facilities or service where the circumstances are such that the proposed use of the facilities or service would tend to adversely affect the Company's plant, property or service.

The Company reserves the right to refuse an application for service made by a present or former customer who is indebted to the Company for service previously rendered pursuant to this Tariff until the indebtedness is satisfied.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D****3.1 Use of Facilities and Services, Cont'd.****3.1.2. Limitations on Liability**

3.1.2.A. Except where the Commission, for good cause shown, determines otherwise, the Customer and any authorized or joint users, jointly and severally, shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Company and the Company shall not be liable for any claims, loss, damage or expenses (including attorneys' fees and court costs) involving:

1. Any act or omission of: (a) the Customer; (b) any other entity furnishing service, equipment or facilities for use in conjunction with the Service or facilities provided by the Company; or (c) common carriers, warehousemen or middle men;
2. Any delay or failure of performance or equipment due to causes beyond the Company's control, including, but not limited to, acts of God, fires, floods, earthquakes, hurricanes, storms, or other natural catastrophes; pole hits; explosions; national emergencies, insurrections, riots, wars or other civil commotions; strikes, lockouts, work stoppages or other labor difficulties; criminal actions taken against the Company; unavailability, failure or malfunction of equipment or facilities provided by the Customer or third parties, including rights-of-way and materials; and any law, order, regulation, direct, request, or other action of any governing authority or agency thereof;
3. Any unlawful or unauthorized use of the Company's facilities and Service or the use of the Company's facilities and/or Service in violation of this Tariff;
4. Libel, slander, invasion of privacy or infringement of patents, trade secrets, or copyrights arising from or in connection with the transmission of communications or information by means of Company-provided facilities or Service, or by means of the combination of Company-provided facilities or Service with Customer-provided facilities or services;

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.1 Use of Facilities and Services, Cont'd.****3.1.2 Limitations on Liability Cont'd.**

5. Any infringement, breach or invasion of the right of privacy of any person or persons, caused or claimed to have been caused, directly or indirectly, by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, occasion or use of emergency 911 service features and the equipment associated therewith, or by any services furnished by the Company, including but not limited to, the identification of the telephone number, address or name associated with the telephone used by the party or parties accessing emergency 911 service, and which arise out of the negligence or other wrongful act of the Company, the Customer, its users, agencies or municipalities, other employees or agents of any one of them;
6. Changes in any of the facilities, operations or procedures of the Company that render any equipment, facilities or services provided by the Customer obsolete, or require modification or alteration of such equipment, facilities or services, or otherwise affect their use or performance, except where reasonable notice is required by the Company and is not provided to the Customer, in which event the Company's liability is limited as set forth in this Section 3.1;
7. Defacement of or damage to Customer premises resulting from the furnishing of Service or equipment on such premises or the installation or removal thereof;
8. Injury to property or injury or death to persons, including claims for payments made under Workers' Compensation law or under any plan for employee disability or death benefits, arising out of, or caused by, any act or omission of the Customer, or the construction, installation, maintenance, presence, use or removal of the Customer's facilities or equipment connected, or to be connected, to the Company's facilities;
9. Any intentional, wrongful act of a Company employee when such act is not within the scope of the employee's responsibilities for the Company and/or is not authorized by the Company;

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.1 Use of Facilities and Services, Cont'd.****3.1.2 Limitations on Liability, Cont'd.**

10. Any representations made by Company employees that do not comport, or that are inconsistent, with the provisions of this Tariff;
  11. Any act, omission or network condition resulting in the non-availability of 9-1-1, E-9-1-1, or similar emergency services for any reason including, without limitation and by way of example only, due to any failure of Service functionality or interruption of electric service to Customer's premises;
  12. Any non-completion of calls due to network busy conditions or network failures;
  13. Any calls not actually attempted to be completed during any period that Service is unavailable;
  14. Blockages by other providers of services on the public switched network; and
  15. Breach in the privacy or security of communications transmitted over the Company's facilities.
- 3.1.2.B. The Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the Customer or End User from and against any and all claims, loss, demands, suits, expense, or other action or any liability whatsoever, including attorney fees, whether suffered, made, insinuated, or asserted by the Customer or by any other party, for any personal injury to or death of any person or persons, and for any loss, damage or destruction of any property, including environmental contamination, whether owned by the Customer or by any other party, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, presence, condition, location, use, or removal of any Company or Customer-provided equipment or facilities or Service provided by the Company.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.1 Use of Facilities and Services, Cont'd.****3.1.2 Limitations on Liability, Cont'd.**

- 3.1.2.C. The Company does not guarantee nor make any warranty with respect to Service installations at locations at which there is present an atmosphere that is explosive, prone to fire, dangerous or otherwise unsuitable for such installations.
- 3.1.2.D. The Company assumes no responsibility for the availability or performance of any systems or related facilities under the control of other entities, whether or not affiliated with the Company, or for other facilities provided by other entities used for Service to the Customer, even if the Company has acted as the Customer's agent in arranging for such facilities or services. Such facilities are provided subject to such degree of protection or non-preemptibility as may be provided by the other entities.
- 3.1.2.E. Except as otherwise state in this Tariff, any claim of whatever nature against the Company shall be deemed conclusively to have been waived unless presented in writing to the Company within thirty (30) days after the date of the occurrence that gave rise to the claim.
- 3.1.2.F. 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 herein.
- 3.1.2.G. The Company will not be liable for any charge incurred when any long distance (toll call) carrier or alternative operator service provider accepts third-number billed or collect calls.
- 3.1.2.H. When the facilities of other companies are used in establishing a connection, the Company is not liable for any act, error, omission, or interruption caused by the other Company or their agents or employees. This includes the provision of a signaling system database by another Company.



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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.1 Use of Facilities and Services, Cont'd.****3.1.2 Limitations on Liability, Cont'd.**

3.1.2.I. THE INCLUDED EXCULPATORY LANGUAGE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A DETERMINATION BY THE COMMISSION THAT A LIMITATION OF LIABILITY IMPOSED BY THE COMPANY SHOULD BE UPHeld IN A COURT OF LAW. ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING BY THE COMMISSION RECOGNIZES THAT IT IS A COURT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ADJUDICATE NEGLIGENCE AND CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGE CLAIMS. IT IS ALSO THE COURT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO DETERMINE THE VALIDITY OF THE EXCULPATORY CLAUSE.

**3.2 Liability of the Company****3.2.1. General**

3.2.1.A. Except as otherwise states in this Tariff, liability of the Company for damages arising out of either (1) the furnishing of its Service, including, but not limited to, mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, or errors, or other defects, representations, or use of these Services, or (2) the failure to furnish its Service, whether caused by acts or omission, shall be limited to the extension of allowances to the Customer for interruptions in Service.

3.2.1.B. Except for the extension of allowances to the Customer for interruptions in Service, the Company shall not be liable to a Customer or third party for any direct, indirect, special, incidental, reliance, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages, including, but not limited to, loss of revenue or profits, for any reason whatsoever, including, but not limited to, any act or omission, failure to perform, delay, interruption, error, degradation or failure to provide any Service, including the partial or complete inability to access emergency 911 services during any such failure, or any failure in or breakdown of facilities associated with the Service.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.2 Liability of the Company, Cont'd.****3.2.1 General, Cont'd.**

3.2.1.C. The liability of the Company for errors in billing that result in overpayment by the Customer shall be limited to a credit equal to the dollar amount erroneously billed or, in the event that payment has been made and Service has been discontinued, to a refund of the amount erroneously billed.

3.2.1.D. With respect to Emergency Number 911 Service:

1. The Service is offered solely as an aid in handling assistance calls in connection with fire, police and other emergencies. The Company is not responsible for any losses, claims, demands, suits or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made instituted or asserted by the Customer or by any other party or person for any personal injury or death of any person or persons, and for any loss, damage or destruction of any property, whether owned by the Customer or others, caused or claimed to have been caused by: (1) mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors or other defects in the provision of service, of (2) installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, local or use of any equipment and facilities furnishing this service.
2. The Company is not responsible for any infringement, nor invasion of the right of privacy of any person or persons, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly, by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, occasion or use of emergency 911 service features and the equipment associated therewith, or by any services furnished by the Company, including, but not limited to the identification of the telephone number, address or name associated with the telephone used by the party or parties accessing emergency 911 service, and which arise out of the negligence or other wrongful act of the Company, the Customer, its users, agencies or municipalities, or the employee or agents of any one of them.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.2 Liability of the Company, Cont'd.****3.2.2. Use of Service**

Any service provided under this Tariff may be resold to or shared (jointly used) with other persons at the customer's option. The customer remains solely responsible for all use of service ordered by it or billed to its telephone number(s) pursuant to this Tariff, for determining who is authorized to use its service, and for promptly notifying the Company of any unauthorized use. The customer may advise its customers that a portion of its service is provided by the Company, but the customer shall not represent that the Company jointly participates with the customer in the provision of the service.

**3.2.3. Use and Ownership of Equipment**

The Company's equipment, apparatus, channels and lines shall be carefully used. Equipment furnished by the Company shall remain its property and shall be returned to the Company whenever requested, within a reasonable period following the request, in good condition, reasonable wear and tear accepted. The customer is required to reimburse the Company for any loss of, or damage to, the facilities or equipment on the customer's premises, including loss or damage caused by agents, employees or independent contractors of the customer through any negligence.

**3.2.4. Directory Errors**

In the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct and except for the allowances stated below, no liability for damages arising from errors or mistakes in or omissions of directory listings, or errors or mistakes in or omissions of listings obtainable from the directory assistance operator, including errors in the reporting thereof, shall attach to the Company.

An allowance for errors or mistakes in or omissions of published directory listings or for errors or mistakes in or omissions of listings obtainable from the directory assistance operator shall be given as follows:

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.2 Liability of the Company, Cont'd.****3.2.4 Directory Errors, Cont'd.**

- 3.2.4.A. Free Listings: For free or no-charge published directory listings, credit shall be given at the rate of two times the monthly Tariff rate for an additional or charge listing for each individual, auxiliary or party line, PBX trunk or Centrex attendant loop affected, for the life of the directory or the charge period during which the error, mistake or omission occurs.
- 3.2.4.B. Charge Listings: For additional or charge published directory listings, credit shall be given at the monthly Tariff rate for each such listing for the life of the directory or the charge period during which the error, mistake or omission occurs.
- 3.2.4.C. Operator records: For free or charge listings obtainable from records used by the directory assistance operator, upon notification to the Company of the error, mistake or omission in such records by the subscriber, the Company shall be allowed a period of three business days to make a correction. If the correction is not made in that time, credit shall be given at the rate of 2/30ths of the basic monthly rate for the line or lines in question for each day thereafter that the records remain uncorrected. (Where Centrex attendant loops are involved, credit shall be given at the rate of 2/30ths of the basic monthly rate for PBX trunks.)
- 3.2.4.D. Credit limitation: The total amount of the credit provided for the preceding paragraphs A, B, and C shall not exceed, on a monthly basis, the total of the charges for each charge listing plus the basic monthly rate, as specified in paragraph 3, for the line or lines in question.
- 3.2.4.E. Definitions: As used in Paragraphs A, B, C, and D above, the terms "error," "mistake" or "omission" shall refer to a discrepancy in the directory listing or directory assistance records which the Company has failed to correct and where the error affects the ability to locate a particular subscriber's correct telephone number. The terms shall refer to addresses only to the extent that an error, mistake or omission of an address places the subscriber on an incorrect street or in an incorrect community.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.2 Liability of the Company, Cont'd.****3.2.4 Directory Errors, Cont'd.**

3.2.4.F. Notice: Such allowances or credits as specified in Paragraphs A, B, and C above, shall be given upon notice to the Company by the subscriber that such error, mistake or omission has occurred; provided, however, that when it is administratively feasible for the Company to have knowledge of such error, mistake or omission, the Company shall give credit without the requirement of notification by the subscribers.

**3.3 Minimum Period of Service**

The minimum period of service is one month except as otherwise provided in this Tariff. The customer must pay the regular Tariff rate for the service they subscribe to for the minimum period of service. If a customer disconnects service before the end of the minimum service period, that customer is responsible for paying the regular rates for the remainder of the minimum service period. When the service is moved within the same building, to another building on the same premises, or to a different premises entirely, the period of service at each location is accumulated to calculate if the customer has met the minimum period of service obligation.

If service is terminated before the end of the minimum period of service as a result of condemnation of property, damage to property requiring the premises to be abandoned, or by the death of the customer, the customer is not obligated to pay for service for the remainder of the minimum period.

If service is switched over to a new customer at the same premises after the first month's service, the minimum period of service requirements are assigned to the new customer if the new customer agrees in writing to accept them. For facilities not taken over by the new customer, the original customer is responsible for the remaining payment for the minimum service period in accordance with the terms under which the service was originally furnished.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.4 Flexible Pricing****3.4.1. General**

Flexible Pricing sets minimum and maximum rates that can be charged for telephone service. The Company may change a specific rate within the range of the established minimum and maximum rates on one day's notice to customers.

**3.4.2. Conditions**

3.4.2.A. The Company reserves the right to change prices at any time subject to regulatory requirements.

3.4.2.B. Individual written notice to Customers of rate changes shall be made in accordance with, and where required by Commission regulations. Where there are no regulations, notification will be made in a manner appropriate to the circumstances involved.

3.4.2.C. A rate shall not be changed unless it has been in effect for at least thirty (30) days.

3.4.2.D. A customer can request that the Company disconnect service that is provided under the Flexible Pricing due to a price increase. The customer will be credited for the difference between the new price and the old price retroactive to the effective date of the price increase if the customer notifies the Company of its desire to disconnect service within 20 days of receiving notification of the price increase.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.5 Payment for Service Rendered****3.5.1. Responsibility for All Charges**

Any applicant for facilities or service may be required to sign an application form requesting the Company to furnish the facilities or service in accordance with the rates, charges, rules and regulations from time to time in force and effect. The customer is responsible for all local and toll calls originating from the customer's premises and for all calls charged to the customer's line where any person answering the customer's line agrees to accept such charge.

**3.5.2. Advance Payments**

3.5.2.A. At the time an application for service is made, an applicant may be required to pay an amount equal to at least one month's service and/or installation charges which may be applicable, in addition to such special construction and installation charges as are to be borne by the applicant. The amount of the advance payment is credited to the customer's account on the first bill rendered.

3.5.2.B. Federal, State or Municipal governmental agencies may not be required to make advance payments.

**3.5.3. Credit Policy****3.5.3.A. Deposit and Guarantee Requirements**

The Company may require a deposit or guarantee of payment from any customer or applicant who has not established good credit with that Company. Deposit or guarantee of payment requirements as prescribed by the Company must be based upon standards which bear a reasonable relationship to the assurance of payment. The Company may determine whether a customer has established good credit with that Company, except as herein restricted:

1. A customer, who within the last 12 months has not had service disconnected for nonpayment of a bill and has not been liable for disconnection of service for nonpayment of a bill, and the bill is not in dispute, shall be deemed to have established good credit.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.5 Payment for Service Rendered, Cont'd.****3.5.3 Credit Policy, Cont'd.**

2. The Company shall not require a deposit or a guarantee of payment based upon income, home ownership, residential location, employment tenure, nature of occupation, race, color, creed, sex, marital status, age, national origin, or any other criteria which does not bear a reasonable relationship to the assurance of payment or which is not authorized by this chapter.
3. The Company shall not use any credit reports other than those reflecting the purchase of Company services to determine the adequacy of a customer's credit history without the permission in writing of the customer. Any credit history so used shall be bailed to the customer in order to provide the customer an opportunity to review the data. Refusal of a customer to permit use of a credit rating or credit service other than that of a utility shall not affect the determination by the Company as to that customer's credit history.
4. When required, a customer may assure payment by submitting a deposit. A deposit shall not exceed an estimated two months' gross bill or existing two months' bill where applicable. All deposits shall be in addition to payment of an outstanding bill or a part of such bill as has been resolved to the satisfaction of the Company, except where such bill has been discharged in bankruptcy. The Company shall not require a deposit or a guarantee of payment without explaining in writing why that deposit or guarantee is being required and under what conditions, if any, the deposit will be diminished upon return. The deposit shall be refunded to the customer after 12 consecutive months of prompt payment of all bills to that Company. The Company may, at its option, refund the deposit by direct payment or as a credit on the bill. With notice any deposit of a customer shall be applied by the Company to a bill when the bill has been determined by the Company to be delinquent. The Company shall issue a written receipt of deposit to each customer from whom a deposit is received and shall provide a means whereby a depositor may establish a claim if the receipt is unavailable.



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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.5 Payment for Service Rendered, Cont'd.****3.5.3 Credit Policy, Cont'd.**

Interest shall be paid on deposits in excess of \$20 at the rate set by Colorado Law. Interest on deposits shall be payable from the date of deposit to the date of refund or disconnection. The Company may, at its option, pay the interest at intervals it chooses but at least annually, by direct payment, or as a credit on bills.

Upon termination of service, the deposit with accrued interest shall be credited to the final bill and the balance shall be returned within 45 days to the customer.

**3.5.3.B. Guarantee of Payment**

The Company may accept, in lieu of deposit, a contract signed by a guarantor satisfactory to the Company whereby payment of a specified sum, not exceeding the deposit requirement, is guaranteed. The term of such contract shall be for no longer than 12 months, but shall automatically terminate after the customer has closed and paid the account with the Company, or at the guarantor's request upon 60 days' written notice to the Company. Upon termination of a guarantee contract or whenever the Company deems same insufficient as to amount or surety, a cash deposit or a new or additional guarantee may be required for good cause upon reasonable written notice to the customer.

The service of any customer who fails to comply with these requirements may be disconnected upon notice as prescribed in Colorado rules. The Company shall mail the guarantor copies of all disconnect notices sent to the customer whose account he has guaranteed unless the guarantor waives such notice in writing.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.5 Payment for Service Rendered, Cont'd.****3.5.4. Payment of Charges**

Charges for facilities and service, other than usage charges, are due monthly in advance. All other charges are payable upon request of the Company. Bills are due on the due date shown on the bill and are payable at any business office of the Company, by U.S. Mail, or at any location designated by the Company. If objection is not received by the Company within three months after the bill is rendered, the items and charges appearing thereon shall be determined to be correct and binding upon the customer. A bill will not be deemed correct and binding upon the customer if the Company has records on the basis of which an objection may be considered, or if the customer has in his or her possession such utility records. If objection results in a refund to the customer, such refund will be with interest at the greater of the unadjusted customer deposit rate or the applicable late payment rate, if any, for the service classification under which the customer was billed. Interest will be paid from the date when the customer overpayment was made, adjusted for any changes in the deposit rate or late payment rate, compounded monthly, until the overpayment is refunded. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no interest will be paid by the Company on customer overpayments that are refunded within 30 days after the overpayment is received by the Company.

Where an objection to the bill involves a superseded service order, the items and charges appearing on the bill shall be deemed to be correct and binding upon the customer if objection is not received by the Company within two months after the bill is rendered.

**3.5.5. Return Check Charge**

When a check which has been presented to the Company by a customer in payment for charges is returned by the bank, the customer shall be responsible for the payment of a Returned Check Charge of \$25.00.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.5 Payment for Service Rendered, Cont'd.****3.5.6. Late Payment Charges**

3.5.6.A. Customer bills for telephone service are due on the due date specified on the bill. A customer is in default unless payment is made on or before the due date specified on the bill. If payment is not received by the customer's next billing date, a late payment charge of 1.5% will be applied to all amounts previously billed under this Tariff, excluding one month's local service charge, but including arrears and unpaid late payment charges.

3.5.6.B. Late payment charges do not apply to those portions (and only those portions) of unpaid balances that are associated with disputed amounts. Undisputed amounts on the same bill are subject to late payment charges if unpaid and carried forward to the next bill.

3.5.6.C. Late payment charges do not apply to final accounts.

**3.5.7. Customer Overpayments**

The Company will provide interest on customer overpayments that are not refunded within 30 days of the date the Company receives the overpayment. An overpayment is considered to have occurred when payment in excess of the correct charges for service is made because of erroneous Company billing. The customer will be issued reimbursement for the overpayment, plus interest, or, if agreed to by the customer, credit for the amount will be provided on the next regular Company bill. The rate of interest shall be the greater of the customer deposit interest rate or the Company's applicable Late Payment Charge.

Interest shall be paid from the date when overpayment was made, adjusted for any changes in the deposit rate or late payment rate, and compounded monthly, until the date when the overpayment is refunded. The date when overpayment is considered to have been made will be the date on which the customer's overpayment was originally recorded to the customer's account by the Company.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.6 Access to Customer's Premises**

The customer shall be responsible for making arrangements or obtaining permission for safe and reasonable access for Company employees or agents of the Company to enter the premises of the customer or any joint user or customer of the customer at any reasonable hour for the purpose of inspecting, repairing, testing or removing any part of the Company's facilities.

**3.7 Customer Complaints, Billing Disputes & Inquires****3.7.1. Contact Information**

Customers may register any inquiry or complaint at:

Customer Service Department  
Clear Rate Communications, Inc.  
555 S. Old Woodward, Suite 600  
Birmingham, MI 48009

Toll Free: (877) 877-4799  
Fax: (877) 877-5225  
Email: support@clearrate.com  
Web: www.clearrate.com

If customers are unable to resolve a dispute with the Company, customers may submit an inquiry or complaint to:

Colorado Public Utilities Commission  
Utilities Division  
1200 W Washington Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Phone: (303) 894-2070  
Toll Free: (800) 456-0858  
Web: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/file-consumer-complaint>

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.8 Disconnection of Service****3.8.1. Disconnection without Notice**

3.8.1.A. The Company may discontinue service to a customer without notice under the following conditions:

1. in the event of tampering with the Company's equipment;
2. in the event of a condition determined to be hazardous to the customer, to other customers of the Company, to the Company's equipment, the public, or to employees of the Company; or
3. in the event of a customer's use of equipment in such a manner as to adversely affect the Company's equipment or the Company's service to others.

**3.8.2. Disconnection with Notice**

3.8.2.A. The Company may discontinue service to a customer under the following conditions after giving customer five (5) days' (excluding Sundays and legal holidays) notice:

1. for failure of the customer to pay a bill for service when due;
2. for failure of the customer to meet the Company's deposit and credit requirements;
3. for failure of the customer to make proper application for service;
4. for customer's violation of any of the Company's rules on file with the Commission;
5. for failure of the customer to provide the Company reasonable access to its equipment and property;

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.8 Disconnection of Service, Cont'd.****3.8.2 Disconnection with Notice, Cont'd.**

6. for customer's breach of the contract for service between the Company and the customer;
7. for failure of the customer to furnish such service, equipment, and/or rights-of-way necessary to serve said customer as shall have been specified by the Company as a condition of obtaining service; or
8. when necessary for the Company to comply with any order or request of any governmental authority having jurisdiction.

**3.8.3. General Restriction on Disconnection**

Service will not be disconnected on any Friday, Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, or at any time when the Company's business offices are not open to the public, except where an emergency exists.

**3.8.4. Abandonment or Unauthorized Use of Facilities**

3.8.4.A. If it is determined that facilities have been abandoned, or are being used by unauthorized persons, or that the customer has failed to take reasonable steps to prevent unauthorized use, the Company may terminate telephone service.

3.8.4.B. In the event that telephone service is terminated for abandonment of facilities or unauthorized use and service is subsequently restored to the same customer at the same location:

1. No charge shall apply for the period during which service had been terminated, and
2. Reconnection charges will apply when service is restored. However, no charge shall be made for reconnection if the service was terminated due to an error on the part of the Company.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.8 Disconnection of Service, Cont'd.****3.8.5. Change in the Company's Ability to Secure Access**

Any change in the Company's ability (a) to secure and retain suitable facilities and rights for the construction and maintenance of the necessary circuits and equipment or (b) to secure and retain suitable space for its plant and facilities in the building where service is provided to the customer may require termination of a customer's service until such time as new arrangements can be made. No charges will be assessed the customer while service is terminated, and no connection charges will apply when the service is restored.

**3.8.6. Emergency Termination of Service**

The Company will immediately terminate the service of any customer, on request, when the customer has reasonable belief that the service is being used by an unauthorized person or persons. The Company may require that the request be submitted in writing as a follow-up to a request made by telephone.

**3.9 Additional Provisions Applicable to Business Customers****3.9.1. Application of Business Rates**

3.9.1.A. Business rates as described in this Tariff apply to service furnished:

1. In office buildings, stores, factories and all other places of a business nature;
2. In hotels, apartment houses, clubs and boarding and rooming houses except when service is within the customer's domestic establishment and no business listings are provided; colleges, hospitals and other institutions; and in churches except when service is provided to an individual of the clergy for personal use only and business service is already established for the church at the same location;
3. At any location when the listing or public advertising indicates a business or a profession;

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.9 Additional Provisions Applicable to Business Customers, Cont'd.****3.9.1 Application of Business Rates, Cont'd.**

4. At any location where the service includes an extension which is at a location where business rates apply unless the extension is restricted to incoming calls; or
5. At any location where the customer resells or shares exchange service.

3.9.1.B. The use of business facilities and service is restricted to the customer, customers, agents and representatives of the customer, and joint users.

**3.9.2. Telephone Number Changes**

When a business customer requests a telephone number change, the referral period for the disconnected number is 180 days.

The customer may order a Customized Number where facilities permit for an additional charge.

When service in an existing location is continued for a new customer, the existing telephone number may be retained by the new customer only if the former customer consents in writing, and if all charges against the account are paid or assumed by the new customer.

**3.9.3. Dishonored Checks**

If a business customer who has received a notice of discontinuance pays the bill with a check that is subsequently dishonored, the account remains unpaid and the Company is not required to issue any additional notice before disconnecting service.



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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.10 Additional Provisions Applicable to Residential Customers****3.10.1. Application of Rates**

Residential rates as described in this Tariff apply to service furnished in private homes or apartments (including all parts of the customer's domestic establishment) for domestic use. Residential rates also apply in college fraternity or sorority houses, convents and monasteries, and to the clergy for domestic use in residential quarters.

Residential rates do not apply to service in residential locations if the listing indicates a business or profession. Residential rates do not apply to service furnished in residential locations if there is an extension line from the residential location to a business location unless the extension line is limited to incoming calls.

The use of residential service and facilities is restricted to the customer, members of the customer's domestic establishment, and joint users.

**3.10.2. Telephone Number Changes**

When a residential customer requests a telephone number change, the referral period for the disconnected number is 90 days.

The customer may order a Customized Number where facilities permit for an additional charge.

When service in an existing location is continued for a new customer, the existing number may be retained by the new customer only if the former customer consents in writing, and if all charges against the account are paid or assumed by the new customer.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.10 Additional Provisions Applicable to Residential Customers, Cont'd.****3.10.3. Installment Billing For Nonrecurring Charges**

A residential customer may elect to pay service connection and other nonrecurring charges associated with a service order in monthly installments for up to a 12 month period. When installment billing is requested, all nonrecurring charges associated with a given service order will be included in the calculation of the monthly installment.

Installment billing is subject to the following restrictions:

- 3.10.3.A. Installment billing may be used only by residential customers;
- 3.10.3.B. Charges will be billed in the number of installments of equal dollar amounts as requested by the customer up to a maximum of 12 installments over the course of 12 months;
- 3.10.3.C. A customer may not pay a portion of the charges and then request installment billing for the remaining charges;
- 3.10.3.D. More than one installment plan may be in effect for the same customer at the same time;
- 3.10.3.E. If a customer disconnects service during the installment payment period, all unbilled charges will be included in the final bill rendered;
- 3.10.3.F. A customer may elect to pay the unbilled charges before the expiration of the installment plan;
- 3.10.3.G. Installment billing payments will continue even when an account is temporarily suspended;
- 3.10.3.H. No interest or carrying charges will be applied to the outstanding balance during the installment period.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.10 Additional Provisions Applicable to Residential Customers, Cont'd.****3.10.4. Adjusted Payment Schedule**

A customer on a fixed income (e.g., pension and public assistance) shall be offered the opportunity to pay his or her bills on a reasonable schedule that is adjusted for periodic receipt of income.

**3.10.5. Suspension or Termination for Nonpayment**

3.10.5.A. Suspension/termination notices may not be issued until at least 25 days after the date of the bill. Bills must be mailed to the customer no later than 6 business days after the date of the bill.

3.10.5.B. After issuing the written notification at least one attempt shall be made during non-working hours to contact the residential customer by telephone before the scheduled date of suspension/termination.

3.10.5.C. Suspension/termination may occur only between 8:00 AM and 7:30 PM on Monday through Thursday.

3.10.5.D. Telephone service may be suspended or terminated for nonpayment of the undisputed portion of a disputed bill or deposit if the customer does not pay the undisputed portion after being asked to do so. Suspended or terminated residential service shall be reconnected within 24 hours following payment or within 24 hours of the end of circumstances beyond the Company's control which delay the reconnection. The Commission may direct that service be reconnected in less than 24 hours.

**3.10.6. Dishonored Checks**

When a check received from a residential customer is dishonored, the Company shall make two attempts, one outside of normal business hours, to contact the customer within 24 hours. The customer shall be given an additional 24 hours to pay before suspension/termination. The additional notice will be given provided that the customer has not submitted a dishonored check within the past 12 months.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.11 Allowances for Interruptions in Service**

Interruptions in service, which are not due to the negligence of, or non-compliance with the provisions of this Tariff by the Customer, or the operation or malfunction of the facilities, power, or equipment provided by the Customer, will be credited to the Customer as set forth below for the part of the service that the interruption affects. A credit allowance will be made when an interruption occurs because of a failure of any component furnished by the Company under this Tariff.

**3.11.1. Credit for Interruptions**

3.11.1.A. An interruption period begins when the Customer reports a service, facility, or circuit to be interrupted and 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 inoperative but declines to release it for testing and repair, it is considered to be impaired, but not interrupted.

3.11.1.B. For calculating credit allowances, every month is considered to have 30 days. A credit allowance is applied on a pro rata basis against the rates specified hereunder and is dependent upon the length of the interruption. Only those facilities on the interrupted portion of the circuit will receive a credit.

3.11.1.C. In the event a customer's service is interrupted otherwise than by negligence or willful act of the customer and it remains out of order for 24 hours after being reported to the Company, adjustments shall be made to the customer, based upon the pro rata part of the month's charge for the period of days and that portion of the service and facilities rendered useless or inoperative. The refund may be accomplished by a credit on a subsequent bill for telephone service. If in the case of such interruption, service is restored on or before the day after it is reported or found by the Company, no allowance will be made.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.11 Allowances for Interruptions in Service, Cont'd.****3.11.1.D. Credit to Customer:**

Credits attributable to any billing period for interruptions of service shall not exceed the total charges for that period for the service and facilities furnished by the Company rendered useless or substantially impaired.

**3.11.1.E. "Interruption" Defined**

For the purpose of applying this provision, the word "interruption" shall mean the inability to complete calls either incoming or outgoing or both due to equipment malfunction or human errors. "Interruption" does not include and no allowance shall be given for service difficulties such as slow dial tone, circuits busy or other network and/or switching capacity shortages. Nor shall the interruption allowance apply where service is interrupted by the negligence or willful act of the subscriber or where the Company, pursuant to the terms of the Tariff, suspends or terminates service because of nonpayment of bills due to the Company, unlawful or improper use of the facilities or service, or any other reason covered by the Tariff. No allowance shall be made for interruptions due to electric power failure where, by the provisions of this Tariff, the subscriber is responsible for providing electric power. Allowance for interruptions of message rate service will not affect the subscriber's local call allowance during a given billing period.

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**3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, CONT'D.****3.11 Allowances for Interruptions in Service, Cont'd.****3.11.2. Limitations on Credit Allowances**

No credit allowance will be made for:

- 3.11.2.A. interruptions due to the negligence of, or non-compliance with the provisions of this Tariff, by any party other than the Company, including but not limited to the customer, authorized user, or other common carriers connected to, or providing service connected to, the service of the Company or to the Company's facilities;
- 3.11.2.B. interruptions due to the failure or malfunction of non-Company equipment, including service connected to customer provided electric power;
- 3.11.2.C. interruptions of service during any period in which the Company is not given full and free access to its facilities and equipment for the purpose of investigating and correcting interruptions;
- 3.11.2.D. interruptions of service 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;
- 3.11.2.E. interruptions of service due to circumstances or causes beyond the control of the Company.

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**SECTION 4 – CONNECTION CHARGES****4. CONNECTION CHARGES**

## 4.1 Connection Charge

## 4.1.1. General

The Connection Charge is a nonrecurring charge which applies to the following: (a) the installation of a new service; (b) the transfer of an existing service to a different location; (c) a change from one class of service to another at the same or a different location; or (d) restoral of service after suspension or termination for nonpayment. Connection Charges are listed with each service to which they apply.

## 4.1.2. Exceptions to the Charge

4.1.2.A. No charge applies for a change to a service for which a lower monthly rate applies, made within 90 days after any general rate increase, if a lower grade of service is offered in the customer's exchange.

4.1.2.B. No charge applies for one change in the class of residence service, provided that the change is ordered within 90 days of the initial connection of the customer's exchange service.

4.1.2.C. The Company may from time to time waive or reduce the charge as part of a promotion.

## 4.2 Restoral Charge

A restoral charge applies each time a service is reconnected after suspension or termination for nonpayment but before cancellation of the service, as deemed in Section I of this Tariff.

Charge: \$59.00

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**4. CONNECTION CHARGES, CONT'D****4.3 Moves, Adds, and Changes**

The Company alone may make changes in the location of its lines and equipment. When it is found that a move or change of such lines or equipment has been made by others, the Connection Charge for the underlying service will apply as if the work had been done by the Company.

The customer will be assessed a charge for any move, add or change of a Company service. Move, Add and Change are defined as follows:

**Move:** The disconnection of existing equipment at one location and reconnection of the same equipment at a new location in the same building or in a different building on the same premises.

Charge: \$59.00

**Add:** The addition of a vertical service to existing equipment and/or service at one location.

Charge: \$59.00

**Change:** Change - including rearrangement or reclassification - of existing service at the same location.

Charge: \$11.95



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**4. CONNECTION CHARGES, CONT'D****4.4 Maintenance Visit Charge**

An MVC, a/k/a Trouble Location Charge, describes that process where the Company determines whether the trouble reported by the Customer is due to the Company or to the Customer. A Network Interface Device (NID) is one form of a Company Service demarcation point that provides a customer with a test point where he/she can pretest service conditions before initiating a trouble report to the Company. Where a NID exists, if the Company is able to test for Dial Tone at the NID and the problem proves to be beyond the NID (within Customer premises) a charge for trouble location is applicable. In the event there is no NID and/or the Company is unable to test for dial tone, then no trouble location charge will be assessed. In those cases where the customer has bought an inside wire maintenance warranty/plan (a non-regulated service) from the Company no trouble location charge will be applicable regardless of the dial tone test results or whether a NID exists or not.

Maintenance Visit Charge, per visit:

Per Hour	\$119.00
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All wire and equipment charges are in addition to any maintenance visit charges.

Maintenance False Dispatch Charge, per visit: \$99.00

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**SECTION 4 – SERVICE CHARGES AND SURCHARGES****5. SERVICE CHARGES AND SURCHARGES**

## 5.1 General

Carrier Presubscription is a procedure whereby a Customer designates to the Company the carrier that the Customer wishes to be the carrier of choice for IntraLATA and InterLATA toll calls. Such calls are automatically directed to the designated carrier, without the need to use carrier access codes or additional dialing to direct the call to the designated carrier. Presubscription does not prevent a Customer who has presubscribed to an IntraLATA or InterLATA toll carrier from using carrier access codes or additional dialing to direct calls to an alternative long distance carrier on a per call basis.

## 5.1.1. Presubscription Options

Customers may select the same carrier or separate carriers for IntraLATA and InterLATA long distance. The following options for long distance Presubscription are available:

- Option A: Customer selects the Company as the presubscribed carrier for IntraLATA and InterLATA toll calls subject to presubscription.
- Option B: Customer may select the Company as the presubscribed carrier for IntraLATA calls subject to presubscription and some other carrier as the presubscribed carrier for interLATA toll calls subject to presubscription.
- Option C: Customer may select a carrier other than the Company for IntraLATA toll calls subject to presubscription and the Company for InterLATA toll calls subject to presubscription.
- Option D: Customer may select the carrier other than the Company for both IntraLATA and InterLATA toll calls subject to presubscription
- Option E: Customer may select two different carriers, neither being the Company for IntraLATA and InterLATA toll calls. One carrier to be the Customers' primary intraLATA interexchange carrier. The other carrier to be the Customer's primary InterLATA interexchange carrier.

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**5. SERVICE CHARGES AND SURCHARGES, CONT'D.****5.1 General, Cont'd.****5.1.1 Presubscription Options, Cont'd**

Option F: Customer may select a carrier other than the Company for no presubscribed carrier for IntraLATA toll calls subject to presubscription which will require the Customer to dial a carrier access code to route all IntraLATA toll calls to the carrier of choice for each call.

**5.1.2. Rules and Regulations:**

Customers of record will retain their primary interexchange carrier(s) until they request that their dialing arrangements be changed. Customers of record or new

Customers may select either Options A, B, C, D, E or F for intraLATA Presubscription.

Customers may change their selected Option and/or presubscribed toll carrier at any time subject to charges specified in 4.1.5 below.

**5.1.3. Presubscription Procedures**

A new Customer will be asked to select intraLATA and interLATA toll carriers at the time the Customer places an order to establish local exchange service with the Company. The Company will process the Customer's order for service. All new Customers' initial requests for intraLATA toll service presubscription shall be provided free of charge.

If a new Customer is unable to make selection at the time the new Customer places an order to establish local exchange service, the Company will read a random listing of all available intraLATA and interLATA carriers to aid the Customer in selection. If selection is still not possible, the Company will inform the Customer that he/she will be given 90 calendar days in which to inform the Company of his/her choice for primary toll carrier(s) free of charge. Until the Customer informs the Company of his/her choice of primary toll carrier, the Customer will not have access to long distance services on a presubscribed basis, but rather will be required to dial a carrier access code to route all toll calls to the carrier(s) of choice. Customers who inform the Company of a choice for toll carrier presubscription within the 90 day period will not be assessed a service charge for the initial Customer request.

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**5. SERVICE CHARGES AND SURCHARGES, CONT'D.****5.1 General, Cont'd.****5.1.3 Presubscription Procedures, Cont'd**

Customers of record may initiate an intraLATA or interLATA presubscription change at any time, subject to the charges specified in 5.1.5 below. If a Customer of record inquires of the Company of the carriers available for toll presubscription, the Company will read a random listing of all available intraLATA carriers to aid the Customer in selection.

**5.1.4. Presubscription Charges****5.1.4.A. Application of Charges**

After a Customer's initial selection for a presubscribed toll carrier and as detailed in Paragraph 5.1.4 above, for any change thereafter, an Presubscription Change Charge, as set for the below will apply. Customers who request a change in intraLATA and interLATA carriers with the same order will be assessed a single charge per line.

**5.1.4.B. Nonrecurring Charges**

Per business or residence line, trunk, or port:  
Initial Line, or Trunk or Port      \$11.95  
Additional Line, Trunk or Port      \$11.95

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**5. SERVICE CHARGES AND SURCHARGES, CONT'D.****5.2 Telecommunications Service Provider Freeze Protection****5.2.1. Customer PIC Protection (PIC Freeze)**

The Company offers a free service called Customer PIC Protection (CPP) or PIC Freeze. PIC refers to the customer's Primary Interexchange Carrier. This service is available to all customers. CPP allows customers to designate their local long distance (intraLATA) provider, long distance (interLATA) provider, or both as permanent choices which may not be changed absent further authorization from the customer. The Company will send a letter to each customer upon initiation or transfer of service which informs the customer of the option to freeze their intraLATA and/or interLATA service provider choice(s). At the time a customer contacts the Company to establish a freeze, a representative will advise him/her on how to facilitate a change of provider(s) on a frozen account.

**5.2.2. Local Service Freeze Protection**

The Company offers a free service called Local Service Freeze (LSF) Protection. This service is available to all customers. LSF Protection allows customers to designate their local service provider as a permanent choice which may not be changed absent further authorization from the customer. The Company will send a letter to each customer upon initiation or transfer of service which informs the customer of the option to freeze their local service provider. At the time a customer contacts the Company to establish a freeze, a representative will advise him/her on how to facilitate a change of provider on a frozen account.

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**5. SERVICE CHARGES AND SURCHARGES, CONT'D.****5.3 Telephone Surcharges****5.3.1. General**

The Company reserves the right to bill any and all applicable taxes, fees and surcharges in addition to normal rates and charges for Services provided to the Customer. Taxes and fees include, but are not limited to, Federal Universal Service Fund surcharge, State Universal Service Fund surcharge, Federal Access Charge, Carrier Access Charge, Federal Excise Tax, State Sales Tax, and Municipal Tax, E911, telecommunications relay and Local Number Portability surcharges. Unless otherwise specified in this Tariff, such taxes, fees and surcharges are in addition to rates as quoted in this Tariff and will be itemized separately in Customer invoices.

In addition to the rates and charges applicable according to the rules and regulations of this Tariff, various surcharges may apply to the customer's monthly bill statement. The Customer is responsible for payment of any and all such fees, charges and taxes, however designated, (including without limitation sales, use, gross receipts, excise, access or other taxes but excluding taxes on the Company's net income) imposed by any local, state, or federal government on or based upon the provision, sale or use of Network Services. Fees, charges, and taxes imposed by a city, county, or other political subdivision will be collected only from those customers receiving service within the boundaries of that subdivision, or as deemed taxable by the political subdivision.

**5.3.2. E911 Surcharge****5.3.2.A. Description:**

911 has been designated as the "Universal Emergency Number" for all citizens throughout the United States to request emergency assistance. The purpose of the fee is to "pay for" the cost of such systems. Consumers do not pay this fee in order to be provided with E911 service. A consumer has access to E911 whether or not the locality in which the customer lives has imposed the monthly charge line that appears on their bill. There is no per-call charge for calling 911.

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**5. SERVICE CHARGES AND SURCHARGES, CONT'D.**

## 5.1 Telephone Surcharges, Cont'd.

## 5.2.2 E911 Surcharge, Cont'd.

## 5.3.2.B. Range of Rates

All Customers will be assessed a per line surcharge to support local E911 Service Program. The E911. Surcharge will be based on a monthly snapshot of lines associated with each Customer's account. No fractional debits or credits will be given. This surcharge will appear as a separate line item on the Customer's bill. The amount of the surcharge will be equal to the per line assessment paid by the Company as determined by local jurisdictional assessments rounded up to the nearest whole cent, and may vary from time to time as required by Colorado law, Commission rules or local jurisdiction requirements.

## 5.2.3 Colorado High Cost Support Mechanism

The Colorado Legislature authorized the Colorado High Cost Fund to ensure that all customers in Colorado have access to affordable basic telephone service in a competitive market. The Company contributes to the Colorado High Cost Support Mechanism as required under 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-2-2840. A surcharge for the High Cost Support Mechanism will appear as a line item on all monthly bills.

Monthly Surcharge is 2.6%.

## 5.2.4 Telephone Relay Services for the Hearing Impaired

The Company contributes to the Colorado Telephone Relay System as required under 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-2-2820. A surcharge for the Telephone Relay Services will appear as a line item on all monthly bills and is assessed on each line.

Monthly Charge Per Access Line: \$0.05

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**SECTION 5 – LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES****6. LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE**

## 6.1 General

Local exchange service is offered to residential and business Customers on a presubscription basis from equal access originating end offices only. Service is provided on a term basis only. Unless other specified, the minimum term is one (1) year. Rates for service may vary by call type and/or term commitment. Usage rates, per call charges and monthly fees may apply. In addition, applicable Service Order and other non-recurring charges may apply. Call timing is defined in the description for each service. Service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Service is available where technically feasible and where facilities permit.

## 6.1.1. Charges Based on Duration of Use

- 6.1.1.A. Where charges for a service are specified based on the duration of use, such as the duration of a telephone call, the following rules apply:
- 6.1.1.B. Calls are measured in durational increments identified for each service. All calls that are fractions of a measurement increment are rounded-up to the next whole unit.
- 6.1.1.C. Timing on completed calls begins when the call is answered by the called party. Answering is determined by hardware answer supervision in all cases where this signaling is provided by the terminating local carrier and any intermediate carrier(s). Timing for operator service person-to-person calls start with completion of the connection to the person called or an acceptable substitute, or to the PBX station called.
- 6.1.1.D. Timing terminates on all calls when the calling party hangs up or the Company network receives an off-hook signal from the terminating carrier.
- 6.1.1.E. Calls originating in one time period and terminating in another will be billed in proportion to the rates in effect during different segments of the call.
- 6.1.1.F. All times refer to local time.



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**6. LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE, CONT'D.****6.1 General, Cont'd.****6.1.2. Basic Local Exchange Service**

Basic Local Exchange Service provides a Customer with a telephonic connection to, and a unique telephone number on, the Company switching network that enables the Customer to:

- 6.1.2.A. receive calls from other stations on the public switched telephone network;
- 6.1.2.B. access the Company Local Calling Services and other Services as set forth in this Tariff;
- 6.1.2.C. access interexchange calling services of the Company and of other carriers;
- 6.1.2.D. access (at no additional charge) to Company operators and business office for service related assistance;
- 6.1.2.E. access toll-free telecommunications services such as 800 NPA; and access toll-free emergency services by dialing 0 or 9-1-1 (where available);
- 6.1.2.F. access relay services for the hearing and/or speech impaired.

Basic Local Exchange Services cannot be used to originate calls to caller-paid information services (e.g., 900, 976) provided by other companies. Calls to those numbers and other numbers used for caller-paid information services will be blocked by the Company switch. Each Basic Local Exchange Service corresponds to one or more telephonic communications channels that can be used to place or receive one call at a time.

Individual line Residence and Business Basic Local Exchange Service is comprised of exchange access lines defined as follows:

Exchange Access Line - The service central office line equipment and all the Company plant facilities up to the demarcation point. These facilities are Company-provided and maintained and provide access to and from the telecommunications network for message toll service and for local calling appropriate to the Tariff use offering selected by the Customer.

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**6. LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE CONT'D.****6.2 Telephone Plan Tariff**

The following plans include unlimited local, unlimited regional and unlimited long distance calling. The calling features included in this plan are: caller ID, call waiting, call waiting ID, voicemail and line manager (inside wire maintenance).

The following plans also require a one (1) year commitment. If the customer breaches the one (1) year commitment an early termination fee is charged to the customer's account.

	Rates
Residential Easy Talk Plan	\$29.99
Business Straight Talk Package	\$39.99
Early Termination Fee:	\$99.00

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**SECTION 7 – SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES****7. SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES**

## 7.1 Directory Assistance Services

## 7.1.1. General

A Customer may obtain assistance, for a charge, in determining a telephone number by dialing Directory Assistance (“DA”).

A call to DA is considered completed whether or not the number(s) requested are available from DA records.

Direct-dialed calls to DA are exempt from rates and regulations when placed from:

- 7.1.1.A. 10 free calls per month from main business and/or residence telephone lines or PBX trunk lines;
- 7.1.1.B. all directory assistance calls made by customers who are 65 years old or older;
- 7.1.1.C. a single-line registered main telephone exchange line of a handicapped user. A main line may be registered for exemption with the carrier in those instances where one of the users of the line is considered to be legally blind, or visually or physically handicapped as defined by the Federal Register, Vol. 35 #126. Where a user’s handicap prevents the dialing of a telephone in a conventional manner or permits only the dialing of “0”, those calls placed from the registered line, and not directly dialed, will also be exempt;
- 7.1.1.D. all pay telephones; and
- 7.1.1.E. also exempt are directory assistance calls for telephone numbers which are non- listed, or non-listed and non-published, or when the DA operator provides an incorrect number. The Customer must inform the Company of the error in order to receive credit.

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**7. SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES CONT'D.****7.1 Directory Assistance Services, Cont'd.****7.1.2. Rates**

Unless one of the exceptions listed in Section 7.1.1 above applies, the charges as shown below apply for each request made to the DA operator:

	Rate
Local DA	\$1.50

**7.2 Operator Services**

The Company's operator services, available to presubscribed Customers, are accessible on a twenty- four (24) hour per day seven (7) days per week basis. In addition to the per call service charge, usage rates apply. The types of calls handled are as follows:

**Customer Dialed Calling/Credit Card Call** – This charge applies in addition to usage charges for station to station calls billed to an authorized Calling Card or Commercial Credit Card. The Customer must dial the destination telephone number where the capability exists for the Customer to do so. A separate rate applies in the event operator assistance is requested for entering the Customer's card number for billing purposes.

**Operator Dialed Calling/Credit Card Call** – This charge applies in addition to usage charges for station to station calls billed to an authorized telephone Calling Card or Commercial Credit Card and the operator dials the destination telephone number at the request of the Customer.

**Person-to-Person** – This charge applies in addition to usage charges for calls placed with the assistance of a Company operator to a particular party at the destination number. This charge applies regardless of billing method, including but not limited to billing to a Calling Card, Commercial Credit Card, Collect, by deposit of coins in Pay Telephones, or to a Third Party. Charges do not apply unless the specified party or an acceptable substitute is available.

**Third Party Billed** – Provides the Customer with the capability to charge a local call to a third number which is different from the called or calling party. The party answering at the third number has the option to refuse acceptance of the charges in advance or when queried by the operator.

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**7. SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES, CONT'D.****7.2 Operator Services, Cont'd.**

Collect Calls – Provides the Customer with the capability to charge a call to the called party. On the operator announcement of a collect call, the called party has the option to refuse acceptance of charges in advance or when queried by the operator.

**7.2.1. Local Usage Charges**

Usage charges for local operator assisted calls are those usage charges that would normally apply to the calling party's service. In addition to usage charges, an operator assistance charge applies to each call.

**7.2.2. Per Call Service Charges**

	Rates
Operator Assisted:	
Collect	\$2.00
3rd Party Billed	\$2.00
Person-to-Person	\$4.50

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**7. SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES, CONT'D.****7.3 Directory Listing Service****7.3.1. General**

For each Customer of Company provided Local Exchange Access Service, the Company shall arrange for the listing of the Customer's main billing telephone number in the directory(s) published by the dominant Local Exchange Carrier in the area. The following rules and charges apply to listings in the white pages of the telephone directory and to the Directory Assistance records.

Only information necessary to identify the Customer is included in the listings. The Company may use abbreviations in listings. The Company may reject a listing, which is judged to be advertising. It may also reject a listing it judges to be objectionable. A name made up by adding a term such as Company, Shop, Agency, Works, etc. to the name of a commodity or service will not be accepted as a listing unless the subscriber is legally doing business under that name.

A name may be repeated in the white pages only when a different address or telephone number is used.

**7.3.2. Listings****7.3.2.A. Primary (Published) Listings**

The Primary (Published) listing is included with local service at no additional charge and consists of the following:

1. The name under which a business is conducted by the Customer
2. The address of the Customer
3. The main telephone number of the Customer.

This information will appear in the white pages of the Local Telephone Directory and the Directory Assistance Database.

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**7. SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES, CONT'D.****7.4 Directory Listing Service, Cont'd.****7.4.2 Listings, Cont'd.****7.3.2.B. Non-Published Service**

Non-published service means that the Customer's telephone number is not listed in the local telephone directory, nor does it appear in the Directory Assistance Records. This service is subject to the rules and regulations for E911 service, where applicable. The Company will complete calls to a non-published number only when the caller dials direct or gives the operator the number. No exceptions will be made, even if the caller says it is an emergency. If a published listing is desired at a later date, there may be a delay in publishing the listing.

When the Company agrees to keep a number unlisted, it does so without any obligation. Except for cases of gross negligence or willful misconduct, the Company is not liable for any damages that might arise from publishing a non-published number in the directory or disclosing it to some. If, in error, the telephone number is published in the directory, the Company's only obligation is to credit or refund any monthly charges the Customer paid for non-published service.

The subscriber indemnifies (i.e., promises to reimburse the Company for any amount the Company must pay as a result of) and save the Company harmless against any and all claims for damages caused or claimed to have been caused, directly or indirectly, by the publication of a non-published service or the disclosing of said number to any person.

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**7. SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES, CONT'D.****7.4 Directory Listing Service, Cont'd.****7.4.2 Listings, Cont'd.****7.3.2.C. Non-Listed Service**

Non-listed service means that the Customer's telephone number is not listed in the local telephone directory, but it does appear in the Directory Assistance Records.

This service is subject to the rules and regulations for E911 service, where applicable. The Company will complete calls to a non-listed number.

When the Company agrees to keep a number unlisted, it does so without any obligation. Except for cases of gross negligence or willful misconduct, the Company is not liable for any damages that might arise from publishing a non-listed number in the directory or disclosing it to some. If, in error, the telephone number is listed in the directory, the Company's only obligation is to credit or refund any monthly charges the Customer paid for non-listed service.

The subscriber indemnifies (i.e., promises to reimburse the Company for any amount the Company must pay as a result of) and save the Company harmless against any and all claims for damages caused or claimed to have been caused, directly or indirectly, by the publication of a non-listed service or the disclosing of said number to any person.

**7.3.3. Additional Listings****7.3.3.A. Duplicate Listing**

A listing of another name by which a Customer is known such as abbreviated name, a name commonly spelled in more than one way or a name consisting of several words, which the public commonly rearranges.

Cross Reference is a type of Duplicate Listing. It refers to the name under which a complete listing is shown. Cross Reference can be temporary caused by a change of ownership or firm name, which may be shown with a reference to the successor.



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**7. SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES, CONT'D.**

## 7.4 Directory Listing Service, Cont'd.

## 7.4.3 Additional Listings, Cont'd.

## 7.3.3.B. Alternate Telephone Number Listing

A listing that refers calling parties to another telephone number at certain hours or on certain days or in case no answer is received on the call to the primary number.

## 7.3.3.C. Foreign Listing

Any of the types of additional listings covered herein may be provided in a different directory or in the same directory under a different geographical heading from that under which the Customer is normally listed.

## 7.3.4. Monthly Rates

	Residential	Business
Non-published Service	\$5.00	\$5.95
Non-listed Service	\$2.50	\$2.50

A service order charge will apply, as set forth in Section 5, if not ordered at the time of installation.

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**SECTION 8 – TOLL SERVICES****8. TOLL SERVICES**

## 8.1 General

Distance service is only available in conjunction with local service.

## 8.2 Nationwide Directory Assistance Service

The charges as shown below apply for each request made to the Directory Assistance operator:

	Rate
Nationwide Directory Assistance (555-1212)	\$1.50

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**SECTION 9 – SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS****9. SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS**

## 9.1 Call Tracing

## 9.1.1. General

Call Tracing allows for the identification and recording of the telephone numbers of some or all of the incoming calls to the telephone line of a customer.

## 9.1.2. Definitions

- 9.1.2.A. Customers – means a person, firm, partnership, limited liability Company, corporation, municipality, cooperative association or organization, governmental agency, or other entity receiving telecommunications services.
- 9.1.2.B. Customer-originated call-tracing service – means a customer-activated, call-specific form of call tracing available as part of a set of services called Customer Local Area Signaling Service (“CLASS”).
- 9.1.2.C. Emergency – means a situation that appears to present immediate danger to person or property.
- 9.1.2.D. Investigative or law enforcement officer – means an officer of the United States, a state, or a political subdivision of the United States or a state, who is empowered by law to investigate or make arrests for crimes related to communications, or an attorney authorized by law to prosecute those crimes.

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**9. SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS, CONT'D.****9.1 Call Tracing, Cont'd.****9.1.3. Terms and Conditions**

9.1.3.A. Call Tracing will be provided when requested by both a customer and an investigative or law enforcement officer and the customer has provided consent. Normally written consent will be required. In emergencies, call tracing will be provided upon receiving oral consent from the customer. The customer will be requested to provide written consent promptly and advised to seek the assistance of an investigative or law enforcement officer.

9.1.3.B. Information regarding the originating telephone numbers will be disclosed only to investigative or law enforcement officers, not to customers receiving call-tracing services.

9.1.3.C. The Company will work with investigative or law enforcement officers to determine how long call-tracing services should be provided.

9.1.3.D. The Company may provide customer-originated call-tracing service (CLASS Call Trace) as an alternative to Call Tracing in response to a Call Tracing request from a customer who is located in an exchange where CLASS Call Trace is available and where CLASS Call Trace will function as accurately as Call Tracing.

**9.1.4. Rates****9.1.4.A. Call Tracing Setup****Rates**

- |                                 |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| 1. During Normal Business Hours | \$11.95 |
| 2. Outside of Business Hours    | \$11.95 |

9.1.4.B. Extension of Call Tracing period at the Request of investigative or law Enforcement agency.

No Charge

9.1.4.C. Provision of Call Tracing information to investigative or law enforcement agency

No Charge

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**9. SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS, CONT'D.****9.2 Restriction Services****9.2.1. Toll Restriction****9.2.1.A. Description**

Toll blocking allows end users to block direct-dialed long distance calls from their telephones. Full toll blocking blocks all calls beginning with a 1, 10XXX, or 011 numbers. Telephone lines with toll blocking can still receive toll calls and can be used to call toll-free numbers, operator-assisted collect or third party calls, and calling card calls.

**9.2.1.B. Terms and Conditions**

1. This service is offered to individual line residence, individual line business and dial switch type customers.
2. Provision of Toll Restriction does not alleviate the customer's responsibility for completed toll calls.
3. Toll Restriction will be provided at no charge customers upon request.

**9.2.2. Bill Screening Blocking****9.2.2.A. Description**

Bill screening blocking is a data base-driven service that allows end users to block collect calls or third party billed calls. To provide the service, local telephone companies sell customer data bases containing their customers' requests to block incoming collect or third party calls. Carriers who buy the data bases are able to respect customer preferences and avoid disputed bills for unsolicited calls. Because LECs charge carriers for each query to the data base, some carriers prefer not to subscribe to the data base service. For this reason, LECs cannot guarantee that their customers' preferences will always be heeded.

**9.2.2.B. Terms and Conditions**

1. Blocking of information will be provided at no charge to residential and business customers on all local service lines and will be provided on any line where it is technically possible.

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**9. SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS, CONT'D.**

## 9.2 Restriction Services, Cont'd.

## 9.2.3. Blocking Caller Identification

## 9.2.3.A. Description

Per Call blocking enables a customer to control the disclosure of telephone numbers to a subscriber of a Calling Number Delivery. A customer must dial an activation code before each call to block delivery of number information.

## 9.2.3.B. Terms and Conditions

1. Per call blocking will be provided at no charge to residential and business customers on all local service lines and will be provided on any line where it is technically possible.

## 9.2.4. Per Line Blocking

## 9.2.4.A. Description

Per Line blocking provides a permanent private indicator on a customer's line. The number of that line will not be delivered to any subscriber of Calling Number Delivery. Emergency 911 calls will not be affected.

## 9.2.4.B. Terms and Conditions

1. Residential Line Blocking will be available to customers at no charge.
2. Business Line Blocking will be available at no charge for the following types of customers: law enforcement agencies, shelters for battered persons, government agencies engaged in undercover operations, and business customers who have been accepted as having demonstrated a need for nondisclosure.

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**9. SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS, CONT'D.**

## 9.2 Restriction Services, Cont'd.

## 9.2.4 Per Line Blocking, Cont'd.

3. Other business customers that do not fit the above requirements shall demonstrate to the Company a special need under criteria set forth below:

Line blocking for business customers is available only for those business customers demonstrating a need. The demonstration of need is waived for law enforcement centers, programs for battered persons, and government agencies engaged in undercover operations. Other business customers wanting line blocking must demonstrate in writing that disclosure of the calling number could endanger the caller, other persons, or property. The Company will promptly notify the customer of its decision. A business customer who does not agree with the Company's decision may appeal in writing to the Colorado Public Utilities Commission.

## 9.2.5. Anonymous Call Rejection

## 9.2.5.A. Description

While this feature is activated, incoming blocked calls are routed to an announcement in the central office that will indicate that the called party has chosen to reject blocked calls and the call will not be completed.

## 9.2.5.B. Terms and Conditions

1. This service will be provided to all subscribers of Calling Number Delivery at no charge an in the inactive state.

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**SECTION 9 – SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS****10. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS**

## 10.1 Special Construction

## 10.1.1. Basis for Charges

Basis for Charges where the Company furnishes a facility or service 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 (including return) and may include:

- 10.1.1.A. nonrecurring charges;
- 10.1.1.B. recurring charges;
- 10.1.1.C. termination liabilities; or
- 10.1.1.D. combinations of A, B, and C.

## 10.1.2. Basis for Cost Computation

The costs referred to in 9.1.1 preceding may include one or more of the following items to the extent they are applicable:

- 10.1.2.A. Costs to install the facilities to be provided including estimated costs for the rearrangements of existing facilities. These costs include:
  - 1. equipment and materials provided or used;
  - 2. engineering, labor, and supervision;
  - 3. transportation; and
  - 4. rights of way and/or any required easements.
- 10.1.2.B. Cost of maintenance.
- 10.1.2.C. Depreciation on the estimated cost installed of any facilities provided, based on the anticipated useful service life of the facilities with an appropriate allowance for the estimated net salvage.
- 10.1.2.D. Administration, taxes, and uncollectible revenue on the basis of reasonable average cost for these items.



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**10. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS, CONT'D.****10.1 Special Construction, Cont'd.****10.1.2 Basis for Cost Computation, Cont'd.**

10.1.2.E. License preparation, processing, and related fees.

10.1.2.F. Tariff preparation, processing and related fees.

10.1.2.G. Any other identifiable costs related to the facilities provided; or,

10.1.2.H. An amount for return and contingencies.

**10.1.3. Termination Liability**

To the extent that there is no other requirement for use by the Company, a termination liability may apply for facilities specially constructed at the request of a customer.

10.1.3.A. The period on which the termination liability is based is the estimated service life of the facilities provided.

10.1.3.B. The amount of the maximum termination liability is equal to the estimated amounts (including return) for:

1. Costs to install the facilities to be provided including estimated costs for the rearrangements of existing facilities. These costs include:
  - (a) equipment and materials provided or used;
  - (b) engineering, labor, and supervision;
  - (c) transportation; and
  - (d) rights of way and/or any required easements;
2. license preparation, processing, and related fees;
3. Tariff preparation, processing and related fees;
4. cost of removal and restoration, where appropriate; and
5. any other identifiable costs related to the specially constructed or rearranged facilities.

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**10. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS, CONT'D.****10.1 Special Construction, Cont'd.****10.1.3 Termination Liability, Cont'd.**

10.1.3.C. The termination liability method for calculating the unpaid balance of a term obligation is obtained by multiplying the sum of the amounts determined as set forth in Subsection B preceding by a factor related to the unexpired period of liability and the discount rate for return and contingencies. The amount determined in Subsection B preceding shall be adjusted to reflect the redetermined estimated net salvage, including any reuse of the facilities provided. This amount shall be adjusted to reflect applicable taxes.

**10.2 Non-Routine Installation and/or Maintenance**

At the customer's request, installation and/or maintenance may be performed outside the Company's regular business hours, or (in the Company's sole discretion and subject to any conditions it may impose) in hazardous locations. In such cases, charges based on the cost of labor, material, and 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, and/or night hours, additional charges may apply.

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**10. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS, CONT'D.**

## Individual Case Basis ("ICB") Arrangements

Rates for ICB arrangements will be developed on a case-by-case basis in response to a bona fide request from a customer or prospective customer for service which vary from Tariffed arrangements. Rates quoted in response to such requests may be different for Tariffed service than those specified for such service in the Rate Attachment. ICB rates will be offered to customers in writing and will be made available to similarly situated customers. A summary of each ICB contract pricing arrangement offered pursuant to this paragraph will be filed as an addendum to this Tariff within 30 days after the contract is signed by both the Company and the customer. The following information will be included in the summary:

- LATA and type of switch
- The V&H distance from the central office to the customer's premises
- Service description
- Rates and charges
- Quantity of circuits
- Length of the agreement.

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**11. EXCHANGE SERVICE AREAS****11.1 Exchange Areas**

An exchange is a geographically defined area established by the Company for the administration of telecommunication services. Clear Rate Communications, Inc. will provide service in the areas in which Qwest d/b/a CenturyLink QC is the incumbent local exchange carrier throughout the State of Colorado and in which facilities are available and mirrors the maps and descriptions contained in Qwest d/b/a CenturyLink QC Colorado PUC No. 23 – Exchange and Network Services Tariff.

**11.2 List of Exchange Areas and Local Calling Areas (“LCA”)**

Listed below is a chart indicating the exchange areas and the additional localities outside of the exchange which customers can call without a toll charge. Localities could include other exchanges, zones or specific wire centers within an exchange. Customers may have to use the direct dialing code of 1+ to place calls within their local calling area.

The 303/720 Local Calling Area, hereinafter referred to as, the “Greater Denver LCA”, consists of the following exchanges and zones: Allenspark, Arvada, Aurora, Bailey, Boulder, Brighton, Broomfield, Castle Rock, Central City, Coal Creek Canyon, Deckers, Denver, Elbert, Elizabeth, Englewood, Erie, Evergreen, Fort Lupton, Frederick, Georgetown, Golden, Hudson, Idaho Springs, Keenesburg, Kiowa, Lafayette-Louisville, Lakewood, Littleton, Longmont, Lookout Mountain, Lyons, Morrison, Nederland, Parker, Sullivan, Ward; Byers and Deer Trail wire centers of Bijou Telephone Co-op Association, Inc.; Bennett wire center of Eastern Slope Rural Telephone Association, Inc.; Strasburg wire center of Strasburg Telephone Company, Inc.

<u>Exchange Area</u>	<u>Exchange, Zone, or Wire Center Included in the Local Calling Area</u>
Aguilar	Trinidad, Walsenburg; Branson and Weston wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Alamosa	Del Norte, Monte Vista, South Fork; Blanca wire center of Blanca Telephone Company; Crestone and Mosca wire centers of Columbine Telephone Company; Antonito, Center, Creede, La Jara, Manassa and San Luis wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Allenspark	Greater Denver LCA, Estes Park, Mead
Aspen	Basalt, Carbondale, Glenwood Springs

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## 11.2 List of Exchange Areas and Local Calling Areas ("LCA"), Cont'd.

<u>Exchange Area</u>	<u>Exchange, Zone, or Wire Center Included in the Local Calling Area</u>
Bailey	Greater Denver LCA, Fairplay, Woodland Park wire center of the Colorado Springs Exchange
Basalt	Aspen, Carbondale, Glenwood Springs
Bayfield	Durango, Silverton; Allison, Pagosa Springs, Pagosa West wire centers of CenturyTel of Colorado; Ignacio wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Berthoud	Eaton–Ault, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Gilcrest, Greeley, Johnstown–Milliken, LaSalle, Longmont, Loveland, Mead, Platteville, Windsor; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company.
Boulder	Greater Denver LCA
Breckenridge	Dillon, Fairplay, Leadville, Vail
Brighton	Greater Denver LCA; Roggen wire center of Roggen Telephone Cooperative Company
Broomfield	Greater Denver LCA
Brush	Fort Morgan, Hillrose, Sterling, Weldona; Willard wire center of Willard Cooperative Telephone Company; Woodrow wire center of Eastern Slope Rural Telephone Association; Akron wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Buena Vista	Fairplay, Leadville, Salida; Hartsel wire center of South Park Telephone Company
Calhan	Peyton; Air Force Academy, Black Forest, East, Gatehouse, Main, Pikeview and Security wire centers of the Colorado Springs Exchange; Simla wire center of Big Sandy Telecommunications, Inc.
Canon City	Florence; Main, Sunset, Vineland and West wire centers of the Pueblo Exchange; Howard, Pike Trails and Westcliffe wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Carbondale	Aspen, Basalt, Glenwood Springs, New Castle, Parachute, Rifle, Silt
Castle Rock	Greater Denver LCA
Central City	Greater Denver LCA
Coal Creek Canyon	Greater Denver LCA

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<u>Exchange Area</u>	<u>Exchange, Zone, or Wire Center Included in the Local Calling Area</u>
Colorado Springs	
<u>Exceptions</u>	
Air Force Academy wire center of the Colorado Springs Exchange	Calhan, Peyton
Black Forest wire center of the Colorado Springs Exchange	Calhan, Peyton; El Paso wire center of El Paso County Telephone Company; Simla wire center of Big Sandy Telecommunications, Inc.
East, Gatehouse, Main, and Pikeview centers of the Colorado Springs Exchange	Calhan, Cripple Creek-Victor, Peyton; El Paso and Rush wire centers of El Paso County wire Telephone Company; Simla wire center of Big Sandy Telecommunications, Inc.; Lake George wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Green Mountain Falls and Manitou Springs wire centers of the Colorado Springs Exchange	Cripple Creek-Victor; Lake George wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Security wire center of the Colorado Springs Exchange	Calhan, Cripple Creek-Victor, Peyton; El Paso and Rush wire centers of El Paso County Telephone Company; Lake George wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Woodland Park wire center of the Colorado Springs Exchange	Bailey, Cripple Creek-Victor, Deckers; Lake George wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle

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## 11.2 List of Exchange Areas and Local Calling Areas ("LCA"), Cont'd.

<u>Exchange Area</u>	<u>Exchange, Zone, or Wire Center Included in the Local Calling Area</u>
Cortez	Durango, Mancos, Mesa Verde; Rico wire center of Rico Telephone Company; Pleasant View wire center of Farmers Telephone Co., Inc; Dolores and Dove Creek wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Craig	Hayden, Meeker, Oak Creek, Steamboat Springs, Yampa; Dinosaur, Maybell and Rangely wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Crested Butte	Gunnison, Montrose; Arrowhead wire center of the Nucla-Naturita Telephone Company
Cripple Creek-Victor	Fairplay; East, Gatehouse, Green Mountain Falls, Main, Manitou Springs, Pikeview, Security and Woodland Park wire centers of Colorado Springs Exchange; Lake George and Pike Trails wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
De Beque	Fruita, Grand Junction, Palisade, Parachute; Collbran and Mesa wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Deckers	Greater Denver LCA, Fairplay; Woodland Park wire center of the Colorado Springs Exchange
Del Norte	Alamosa, Monte Vista; Center, Creede and Saguache wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Delta	Fruita, Grand Junction, Montrose, Olathe; Cedaredge, Crawford, Eckert, Hotchkiss, Paonia and Somerset wire centers of Delta County Co-op Telephone Company
Dillon	Breckenridge, Fairplay, Georgetown, Kremmling, Leadville, Vail
Durango	Bayfield, Cortez, Mancos, Mesa Verde, Silverton; Allison, Marvel, Pagosa Springs, Pagosa West wire centers of CenturyTel of Colorado; Dolores and Ignacio wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Eaton-Ault	Berthoud, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Gilcrest, Greeley, Johnstown-Milliken, La Salle, Loveland, Mead, Platteville, Windsor; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company; Briggsdale and Grover wire centers of Wiggins Telephone Association

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## 11.2 List of Exchange Areas and Local Calling Areas ("LCA"), Cont'd.

<u>Exchange Area</u>	<u>Exchange, Zone, or Wire Center Included in the Local Calling Area</u>
Elbert	Greater Denver LCA
Elizabeth	Greater Denver LCA
Erie	Greater Denver LCA
Estes Park	Allenspark, Berthoud, Eaton-Ault, Fort Collins, Gilcrest, Greeley, Johnston-Milliken, La Salle, Loveland, Lyons, Mead, Platteville, Windsor; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company
Evergreen	Greater Denver LCA
Fairplay	Bailey, Breckenridge, Buena Vista, Cripple Creek, Deckers, Dillon; Hartsel wire center of South Park Telephone Company; Lake George and Pike Trails wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Florence	Canon City; Main, Sunset, Vineland and West wire centers of the Pueblo Exchange; Westcliffe wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Fort Collins	Berthoud, Eaton-Ault, Estes Park, Gilcrest, Greeley, Johnstown-Milliken, La Salle, Loveland, Mead, Platteville, Windsor; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company; Red Feather Lakes and Walden wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Fort Lupton	Greater Denver LCA, Platteville
Fort Morgan	Brush, Hillrose, Sterling, Weldona; Woodrow wire center of Eastern Slope Rural Telephone Association; New Raymer and Wiggins wire centers of Wiggins Telephone Association; Stoneham wire center of Stoneham Cooperative Telephone Company; Willard wire center of Willard Cooperative Telephone Company; Akron wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Fraser	Granby, Grand Lake, Hot Sulphur Springs, Kremmling
Frederick	Greater Denver LCA
Fruitia	De Beque, Delta, Grand Junction, Montrose, Olathe, Palisade, Parachute



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<u>Exchange Area</u>	<u>Exchange, Zone, or Wire Center Included in the Local Calling Area</u>
Georgetown	Greater Denver LCA, Dillon
Gilcrest	Berthoud, Eaton-Ault, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Gilcrest, Greeley, Johnstown-Milliken, La Salle, Loveland, Mead, Platteville, Windsor; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company
Glenwood Springs	Aspen, Basalt, Carbondale, New Castle, Parachute, Rifle, Silt; Gypsum, Eagle and McCoy wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Granby	Fraser, Grand Lake, Hot Sulphur Springs, Kremmling
Grand Junction	De Beque, Delta, Fruita, Montrose, Olathe, Palisade, Parachute; Gateway, Nucla-Naturita and Paradox wire centers of Nucla-Naturita Telephone Company; Cedaredge, Crawford, Eckert, Hotchkiss, Paonia and Somerset wire centers of Delta County Co-op Telephone Company; Collbran and Mesa wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Grand Lake	Fraser, Granby, Hot Sulphur Springs, Kremmling
Greeley	Berthoud, Eaton-Ault, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Gilcrest, Hudson, Johnstown-Milliken, Keenesburg, La Salle, Loveland, Mead, Platteville, Weldona, Windsor; Roggen wire center of Roggen Telephone Cooperative Company; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company; Briggsdale, Grover, New Raymer and Wiggins wire centers of Wiggins Telephone Association; Stoneham wire center of Stoneham Cooperative Telephone Company
Gunnison	Crested Butte, Montrose; Lake City wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle; Arrowhead wire center of the Nucla-Naturita Telephone Company
Hayden	Craig, Oak Creek, Steamboat Springs, Yampa
Hillrose	Brush, Fort Morgan, Sterling, Weldona; Willard wire center of Willard Cooperative Telephone Company; Akron wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Hot Sulphur Springs	Fraser, Granby, Grand Lake, Kremmling
Hudson	Greater Denver LCA, Greeley, La Salle

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<u>Exchange Area</u>	<u>Exchange, Zone, or Wire Center Included in the Local Calling Area</u>
Idaho Springs	Greater Denver LCA
Johnstown-Milliken	Berthoud, Eaton-Ault, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Gilcrest, Greeley, La Salle, Loveland, Mead, Platteville, Windsor; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company
Julesburg	Sterling; Crook wire center of Haxtun Telephone Company
Keensburg	Greater Denver LCA, Greeley, La Salle; Roggen wire center of Roggen Telephone Cooperative Company
Kiowa	Greater Denver LCA
Kremmling	Dillon, Fraser, Granby, Grand Lake, Hot Sulphur Springs
Lafayette-Louisville	Greater Denver LCA
La Salle	Berthoud, Eaton-Ault, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Gilcrest, Greeley, Hudson, Johnstown-Milliken, Keenesburg, La Salle, Loveland, Mead, Platteville, Windsor; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company
Leadville	Breckenridge, Buena Vista, Dillon, Salida, Vail
Limon	Arriba, Genoa, Hugo, and Karval wire centers of Eastern Slope Rural Telephone Association; Simla wire center of Big Sandy Telecommunications, Inc.; Agate wire center of Agate Mutual Telephone Company
Longmont	Berthoud, Greater Denver LCA, Mead, Platteville
Lookout Mountain	Greater Denver LCA

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Loveland	Berthoud, Eaton-Ault, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Gilcrest, Greeley, Johnstown-Milliken, La Salle, Mead, Platteville, Windsor; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company
Lyons	Greater Denver LCA, Estes Park, Mead
Mancos	Cortez, Durango, Mesa Verde; Dolores wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Mead	Allenspark, Berthoud, Eaton-Ault, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Gilcrest, Greeley, Johnstown-Milliken, La Salle, Longmont, Loveland, Lyons, Platteville, Windsor; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company
Meeker	Craig; Dinosaur, Maybell and Rangely wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Mesa Verde	Cortez, Durango, Mancos; Rico wire center of Rico Telephone Company; Pleasant View wire center of Farmers Telephone Co., Inc; Dolores and Dove Creek wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Monte Vista	Alamosa, Del Norte; Mosca wire center of Columbine Telephone Company; Center, Creede, La Jara and Saguache wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Montrose	Crested Butte, Delta, Fruita, Grand Junction, Gunnison, Olathe, Ouray, Ridgway, Silverton, Telluride; Norwood wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle, Arrowhead, Nucla-Naturita and Paradox wire centers of Nucla-Naturita Telephone Company
Morrison	Greater Denver LCA
Nederland	Greater Denver LCA
New Castle	Carbondale, Glenwood Springs, Parachute, Rifle, Silt
Oak Creek	Craig, Hayden, Steamboat Springs, Yampa
Olathe	Delta, Fruita, Grand Junction, Montrose
Ouray	Montrose, Ridgway, Silverton, Telluride
Palisade	De Beque, Fruita, Grand Junction, Parachute; Collbran and Mesa wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle

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Parachute	Carbondale, De Beque, Fruita, Glenwood Springs, Grand Junction, New Castle, Palisade, Rifle, Silt
Parker	Greater Denver LCA
Peyton	Calhan; Air Force Academy, Black Forest, East, Gatehouse, Main, Pikeview, and Security wire centers of Colorado Springs Exchange; Simla wire center of Big Sandy Telecommunications, Inc.
Platteville	Berthoud, Eaton-Ault, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Fort Lupton, Gilcrest, Greeley, Johnstown-Milliken, La Salle, Longmont, Loveland, Mead, Windsor; Nunn wire center of Nunn Telephone Company
Pueblo	
• Avondale wire center of the Pueblo Exchange	Walsenburg; Fowler, Gardner, Manzanola and Ordway wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
• Main, Sunset, Vineland and West wire centers of the Pueblo Exchange	Canon City, Florence, Walsenburg; Beulah wire center of Pine Drive Telephone Company; Colorado City and Rye wire centers of Rye Telephone Company; Fowler, Gardner, Manzanola and Ordway wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Ridgway	Montrose, Ouray, Silverton, Telluride; Norwood wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Rifle	Carbondale, Glenwood Springs, New Castle, Parachute, Silt
Salida	Buena Vista, Leadville; Howard and Saguache wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Silt	Carbondale, Glenwood Springs, New Castle, Parachute, Rifle
Silverton	Bayfield, Durango, Montrose, Ouray, Ridgway
Steamboat Springs	Craig, Hayden, Oak Creek, Yampa; Walden wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle

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## 11.2 List of Exchange Areas and Local Calling Areas ("LCA"), Cont'd.

<u>Exchange Area</u>	<u>Exchange, Zone, or Wire Center Included in the Local Calling Area</u>
Sterling	Brush, Fort Morgan, Hillrose, Julesburg; Crook, Fleming and Haxtun wire centers of Haxtun Telephone Company; Akron wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle, Peetz wire center of Peetz Cooperative Telephone Company; Stoneham wire center of Stoneham Cooperative Telephone Company; Willard wire center of Willard Cooperative Telephone Company; New Raymer wire center of Wiggins Telephone Association; Holyoke wire center of the Phillips County Telephone Company; Otis wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Telluride	Montrose, Ouray, Ridgway; Rico wire center of Rico Telephone Company; Norwood wire center of CenturyTel of Eagle
Trinidad	Aguilar, Walsenburg; Kim wire center of Rye Telephone Company; Branson and Weston wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Vail	Breckenridge, Dillon, Leadville; Gypsum, Edwards, Eagle and McCoy wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Walsenburg	Aguilar, Trinidad, Pueblo; Gardner and La Veta wire centers of CenturyTel of Eagle
Ward	Greater Denver LCA
Weldona	Brush, Fort Morgan, Greeley, Hillrose; Wiggins wire center of Wiggins Telephone Association
Windsor	Berthoud, Eaton-Ault, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Gilcrest, Greeley, Johnstown-Milliken, La Salle, Loveland, Mead, Platteville, Windsor; Nunn wire center of the Nunn Telephone Company
Yampa	Craig, Hayden, Oak Creek, Steamboat Springs