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**TARIFF INFORMATION AND USE**

**GENERAL**

- This tariff contains rates and regulations applicable to Access Services.

**Tariff Sheet Format**

- Sheet Numbering. Sheet numbers are located in the upper right corner of each tariff sheet. Sheets are numbered sequentially by section. When a new sheet must be added between existing sheets, a decimal and number is added to the previous sheet number, to sequentially number the new sheet. For example a new sheet between existing sheets 20 and 21 would be numbered 20.1. A new sheet added between sheets 18.1 and 18.2 would be numbered 18.1.1.
- Sheet Revision Numbering. Sheet Revision Numbers are located in the upper right corner of each tariff sheet. This number is the most recent sheet revision on file with the State Commission. Consult the Effective Date on a specific sheet to determine if that sheet is in effect.
- Issue Date. The Issue Date in the lower left corner of each tariff sheet is the date that sheet was filed with the State Commission.
- Effective Date. The Effective Date in the lower right corner is the date the sheet is scheduled to go into effect (at 12:01 AM on that date). This date may be changed by reissuing the sheet.

**Tariff Section Numbering**

- An alpha-numeric numbering plan is used to number tariff regulations and rates within each section. Each level is subordinate to and dependent on its next higher level. An example of the numbering sequence follows for Section 6:

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6.2.1  
6.2.1(B)  
6.2.1(B)(2)  
6.2.1(B)(2)(a)

**TARIFF INFORMATION AND USE**

**TARIFF STRUCTURE AND ORGANIZATION**

**Title Pages.**

- The Title Page provides information regarding the number of the tariff, the class of service provided, the geographical application of the tariff, and the type of facilities used to provide service.

**Table of Contents**

- The Table of Contents lists the Sections of the Tariff and provides a Sheet number at which that Section begins.

**Symbols and Abbreviations**

- A listing and explanation of tariff coding symbols and abbreviations used in the tariff is provided.

**Section No. 1 - Application of Tariff**

- States the application and scope of the Access Service tariff.

**Section No. 2 - General Regulations**

- States the general regulations that apply to the access services offered by this tariff.

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**TARIFF STRUCTURE AND ORGANIZATION (Cont'd)**

**Section No 3 - Carrier Common Line Access Service and Section 4**

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- State the specific regulations for Carrier Common Line

**Section No. 5 - Ordering Options**

- States the regulations for the Ordering Options available for the ordering of switched and special access services.

**Section Nos. 6 through 13**

- State the specific regulations for the following Access Services:
  - 6 - Switched Access Service
  - 7 - Special Access Service
  - 8 - Billing and Collection Services
  - 9 - Directory Assistance Service
  - 10 - Special Federal Government Access Services
  - 11 - Special Federal Routing of Access Services
  - 12 - Specialized Service or Arrangements
  - 13 - Additional Engineering, Additional Labor and Miscellaneous Services

**Section No. 14 - Exceptions to Access Service Offerings**

- This section is provided to identify those Issuing Carriers who do not provide certain categories of Access Service offered by this tariff.

**Section No. 15 - Technical Specifications**

- Provides the technical specifications and service parameters of Access Services.

**Section No. 16 - Primary Exchange Carrier and Secondary Exchange Carrier**

- Conditions relating to billing of Feature Group A (EAS), Feature Group A Terminating LATA wide Access (Non EAS), and Feature Group B Terminating Access.

**Section No. 17 - Rates and Charges**

- Provides the rate for services offered in Sections 5 through 13 of this tariff.

**EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS**

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

**EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS**

- AC - Alternating Current
- AML - Actual Measured Loss
- ANI - Automatic Number Identification
- AT&T - American Telephone and Telegraph Company
- BD - Business Day
- BHMC - Busy Hour Minutes of Capacity
- CAROT - Centralized Automatic Reporting on Trunks
- CCS - Common Channel Signaling
- CCSA - Common Control Switching Arrangement
- CI - Changes Interface
- CNP - Charge Number Parameter
- CO - Central Office
- COCTX - Central Office Centrex
- Cont'd - Continued
- CPE - Customer Provided Equipment
- CPN - Calling Party Number
- CSP - Carrier Selection Parameter
- Ctx - Centrex
- DA - Directory Assistance
- dB - decibel
- dBrnC - Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighting
- dBrnCO - Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighted 0
- dBv - Decibel(s) Relative to 1 Volt (Reference)
- dBvl - Decibel(s) Relating to 1 Volt (Reference)
- DC - Direct Current
- EDD - Envelope Delay Distortion
- ELEPL - Equal Level Echo Path Loss
- EML - Expected Measured Loss
- EPL - Echo Path Loss
- ERL - Echo Return Loss
- ESS - Electronic Switching System
- ESSX - Electronic Switching System Exchange
- f - frequency
- F.C.C. - Federal Communications Commission

EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS (Cont'd)

FID	-	Field Identifier
FX	-	Foreign Exchange
HC	-	High Capacity
Hz	-	Hertz
IC	-	Intrastate Customer
ICB	-	Individual Case Basis
ICL	-	Inserted Connection Loss
kbps	-	kilobits per second
kHz	-	kilohertz
LATA	-	Local Access and Transport Area
Ma	-	milliamperes
Mbps	-	Megabits per second
MHz	-	Megahertz
MMUC	-	Minimum Monthly Usage Charge
MRC	-	Monthly Recurring Charge
MT	-	Metallic
MTS	-	Message Telecommunications Service(s)
NPA	-	Numbering Plan Area
NRC	-	Nonrecurring Charge
NTS	-	Non-Traffic Sensitive
NXX	-	Three-Digit Central Office Code
O.E.C.A.	-	Oregon Exchange Carrier Association
ONAL	-	Off Network Access Lines
OTPL	-	Zero Transmission Level Point
PA	-	Program Audio
PBX	-	Private Branch Exchange
PCM	-	Pulse Code Modulation
PLR	-	Private Line Ringdown
POT	-	Point of Termination
P.U.C. OR.	-	Public Utility Commission of Oregon
rms	-	root-mean-square
RSM	-	Remote Switching Modules
RSS	-	Remote Switching Systems
SNAL	-	Signaling Network Access Line
SP	-	Signaling Point
SPOI	-	Signaling Point of Interface
SRL	-	Singing Return Loss
SSN	-	Switched Service Network
SSP	-	Service Switching Point
SS7	-	Signaling System 7
STP	-	Signal Transfer Point

**EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS (Cont'd)**

SWC	-	Serving Wire Center
TES	-	Telephone Exchange Service(s)
TG	-	Telegraph Grade
TLP	-	Transmission Level Point
TSPS	-	Traffic Service Position System
TV	-	Television
USOC	-	Uniform Service Order Code
USWC	-	US West Communications
VG	-	Voice Grade
V & H	-	Vertical & Horizontal
WA	-	Wideband Analog
WATS	-	Wide Area Telecommunications Service(s)
WD	-	Wideband Digital

**REFERENCE TO OTHER TARIFFS**

Whenever reference is made in this tariff to other Oregon tariffs, the reference is to the tariffs in force as of the effective date of those tariffs, and to amendments thereto and successive issues thereof as approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission.