12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u>

12.1 General

Carrier Common Line charges are applicable in conjunction with Switched Access Service provided in Section 4 of this tariff.

12.2 Description of Carrier Common Line Access Service

12.2.1 Description

Carrier Common Line charges compensate the Telephone Company for the use of Telephone Company provided common lines by customers for access to end users in furnishing Interstate Communications.

A Special Access Surcharge will apply to interstate Special Access service provided by the Telephone Company to a customer, in accordance with regulations as set forth in 5.6.9.

12.2.2 Limitations

(A) Exclusions

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

(B) WATS/WATS type Access Lines

Where Switched Access Services are connected with Special Access Services at Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices for the provision of WATS/WATS type Services, Switched Access Service minutes which are carried on that end of the service (i.e., originating minutes for outward WATS/WATS type services and terminating minutes for inward WATS/WATS type services) shall not be assessed Carrier Common Line per minute charges.

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.3 Obligations of the Customer

12.3.1 Switched Access Service Requirement

Switched Access Service associated with the Carrier Common Line charges shall be ordered by the customer under other sections of this tariff.

12.3.2 Supervision

The customer facilities at the premises of the ordering customer shall provide the necessary on hook and off hook supervision.

12.4 Rate Regulations

12.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates</u>

(A) Billing of Charges

Carrier Common Line charges will be billed to each Switched Access Service provided under this tariff in accordance with the regulations as set forth in (E) following, except as set forth in (D) following and 12.4.3(D).

(B) Measuring and Recording of Call Detail

When access minutes are used to determine Carrier Common Line charges, they will be accumulated using call detail recorded by Telephone Company equipment except as set forth in (C) following. The Telephone Company measuring and recording equipment, except as set forth in (C) following, will be associated with end office or access tandem switching equipment and will record each originating and terminating access minute, as described in 4.5.2(I), where answer supervision is received. The accumulated access minutes will be summed on a line by line or trunk by trunk basis, by access group or by end office, which ever type of account is used by the Telephone Company, for each customer and then rounded to the nearest minute.

(C) Reserved for Future Use

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.1 Description and Application of Rates (Cont'd)

(D) Mixed Interstate and Intrastate Usage

When the customer reports interstate and intrastate use of Switched Access Service, Carrier Common Line charges, as set forth in 12.5, will be billed only to interstate Switched Access Service access minutes based on the data reported by the customer, as set forth in 4.3.2 and 4.5.2(D), except where the Telephone Company is billing according to actual usage by jurisdiction. Interstate Switched Access Service access minutes will, after adjustment as set forth in 12.4.3(D), when necessary, be used to determine Carrier Common Line charges as set forth in (E).

(E) <u>Determination of Charges</u>

The application of premium rates for a specific customer, as described in 4.5.2(H)(1), is dependent upon the Switched Access feature group.

After the adjustments, as set forth in (D) above and 12.4.3(D), have been applied, when necessary, to Switched Access Service access minutes, charges for the involved customer account will be determined as follows:

- Premium rated Switched Access Service minutes subject to Carrier Common Line charges will be multiplied by the premium access per minute rate as set forth in 12.5.
- (2) (Reserved for Future Use)
- (3) Carrier Common Line charges shall not be reduced, as set forth in 12.4.3(A), unless Switched Access charges, as set forth in Section 4, are applied to the customer's Switched Access Services.

12. CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE (Cont'd)

- 12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 12.4.1 Description and Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (E) <u>Determination of Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (4) Terminating premium access per minute charge(s) apply to:

all terminating access minutes of use;

less those terminating access minutes of use associated with Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs);

all originating access minutes of use associated with FGA or BSA-A Access Services where the off hook supervisory signaling is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers;

all originating access minutes of use associated with calls placed to Service Access Code numbers, less those originating access minutes of use associated with calls placed to 500, 700, Toll Free* and 900 numbers for which the customer furnishes a report of either the number of minutes or a report of the percent of minutes that terminate to a subscriber or common line, rather than a dedicated access line. This report will be provided by the customer on a quarterly basis, indicating for each month thereof or quarter, the information as set forth preceding in order to calculate the common line charges.

* "Toll Free" is considered to mean any access service which utilizes any of the following NPAs: 800, 888, 877, 866, 855, 844, 833, and 822 as they become available to the industry.

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.1 Description and Application of Rates (Cont'd)

(E) <u>Determination of Charges</u> (Cont'd)

(4) (Cont'd)

The customer will provide a report indicating separate common line information for 500, 700, Toll Free* and 900 access minutes, at a statewide level and by jurisdiction. This report shall also include the applicable Access Customer Name Abbreviation [ACNA(s)].

The report will be based on the calendar year and will be due by the 15th day of the month preceding the quarter for which it is to be applied in order to become effective with the first full month of usage. Should the report be received after the 15th day of the month, the Telephone Company will make every effort to process the report as set forth above. When received by the Telephone Company as described herein, the quarterly report will be used for calculating common line charges on a current bill basis for the next three months usage.

Prorating or backbilling will not occur based on the report. Any under or over estimation should be reflected in the subsequent quarterly report.

If a billing dispute arises concerning the customer provided report, the Telephone Company will request the customer to provide the data used to develop the report. The Telephone Company will not request such data more than once a year. The customer shall supply the data within 30 days of the Telephone Company's request.

In the event the customer fails to provide a quarterly report, the Telephone Company will use the previously reported information to calculate the common line charges.

12. CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.1 Description and Application of Rates (Cont'd)

- (E) <u>Determination of Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (5) The originating premium per minute charge(s) apply to:

all originating access minutes of use;

less those originating access minutes of use associated with FGA or BSA-A Access Services where the off hook supervisory signaling is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers;

less all originating access minutes of use associated with calls placed to Service Access Code numbers;

less those originating access minutes of use associated with Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs);

plus all originating access minutes of use associated with calls placed to 500, 700, Toll Free* and 900 numbers for which the customer furnishes a report of either the number of minutes or a report of the percent of minutes that terminate to a subscriber or common line, and for which a corresponding reduction in the number of terminating access minutes of use has been made as set forth in (4).

* "Toll Free" is considered to mean any access service which utilizes any of the following NPAs: 800, 888, 877, 866, 855, 844, 833, and 822 as they become available to the industry.

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.2 Determination of Usage Subject to Carrier Common Line Charges

Except as set forth herein, all Switched Access Service provided to the customer will be subject to Carrier Common Line charges.

(A) Determination of Jurisdiction

When the customer reports interstate and intrastate use of Switched Access Service, the associated Carrier Common Line charges for interstate usage will be determined as set forth in 4.3.2 and 4.5.2(D).

(B) Reserved for Future Use

(C) Local Exchange Access and Enhanced Services Exemption

When access to the local exchange is required to provide a customer service (e.g., MTS/WATS type, telex, Data, etc.) that uses a resold private line service, Switched Access Service Rates and Regulations, as set forth in Section 4, will apply, except when such access to the local exchange is required for the provision of an enhanced service. Carrier Common Line charges, as set forth in 12.5, apply in accordance with the resale rate regulations as set forth in 12.4.3(D).

(D) Common Channel Signaling System 7 (CCS7) Access Service Exemption

Carrier Common Line charges as set forth in 12.5, do not apply to CCS7 Access Service in Section 4.2.10.

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.3 Resold Services

(A) Scope

Where the customer is reselling MTS/MTS type service(s) on which the Carrier Common Line and Switched Access charges have been assessed, the customer may, at the option of the customer, obtain FGA, FGB, FGD, BSA-A, BSA-B, or BSA-D Switched Access Service under this tariff, as set forth in Section 4, for originating and/or terminating access in the local exchange. Such access group or BSA arrangements , whether single lines or trunks or multiline hunt groups or trunk groups, will have Carrier Common Line charges, as set forth in 12.5, applied in accordance with the resale rate regulations set forth in (D) following. For purposes of administering this provision:

Resold interstate terminating MTS/MTS type service(s) shall include collect calls, third number calls and credit card calls where the reseller pays the underlying carrier's service charges, and shall not include intrastate minutes of use.

Resold interstate originating MTS/MTS type service(s) shall not include collect, third number, credit card or intrastate minutes of use.

(B) <u>Customer Obligations Concerning the Resale of MTS/MTS type Services</u>

When the customer is reselling MTS/MTS type service, as set forth in (A preceding, the customer will be charged Carrier Common Line charges in accordance with the resale rate regulations, as set forth in (D) following, if the customer or the provider of the MTS/MTS type service furnishes documentation of the MTS/MTS type usage. Such documentation shall be supplied each month by the customer and shall identify the involved resold MTS/MTS type services.

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.3 Resold Services (Cont'd)

(B) <u>Customer Obligations Concerning the Resale of MTS/MTS type Services</u> (Cont'd)

The monthly period used to determine the minutes of use for resold MTS/MTS type service(s) shall be the most recent monthly period for which the customer has received a bill for such resold service(s). This information shall be delivered to the Telephone Company, at a location specified by the Telephone Company, no later than 15 days after the bill date shown on the resold MTS/MTS type service bill. If the required information is not received by the Telephone Company, the previously reported information, as described preceding, will be used for the next two months. For any subsequent month, no allocation or credit will be made until the required documentation has been received by the Telephone Company.

(C) Resale Documentation Provided By the Customer

When the customer utilizes Switched Access Service, as set forth in (B) preceding, the Telephone Company may request a certified copy of the customer's resold MTS/MTS type usage billing from either the customer or the provider of the MTS/MTS type service. Requests for billing will relate back no more than 12 months prior to the current billing period.

(D) Rate Regulations Concerning the Resale of MTS/MTS type Services

When the customer is provided an access group or BSA to be used in conjunction with the resale of MTS/MTS type services, as set forth in (A) preceding, subject to the limitations, as set forth in 12.2.2, and the billing entity receives the usage information required, as set forth in (B) preceding, to calculate the adjustment of Carrier Common Line charges, the customer will be billed, as set forth in (5) following.

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.3 Resold Services (Cont'd)

(D) Rate Regulations Concerning the Resale of MTS/MTS type Services (Cont'd)

(1) Apportionment and Adjustment of Resold Minutes of Use

When the customer is provided with more than one access group or BSA in a LATA in association with the resale of MTS/MTS type services, the resold minutes of use will be apportioned as follows:

(a) Originating Services

The Telephone Company will apportion the resold originating MTS/MTS type services and originating minutes of use for which the resale credit adjustment applies, among the access groups and BSAs. Such apportionment will be based on the relationship of the originating usage for each access group or BSA to the total originating usage for all access groups and BSAs in the LATA. For purposes of administering this provision:

Resold originating MTS/MTS type services minutes shall be only those attributable to interstate originating MTS/MTS type minutes and shall not include collect, third number, credit card or intrastate minutes of use.

The resale credit adjustment shall apply for resold originating MTS/MTS type services and minutes of use, provided Carrier Common Line and Switched Access charges have been assessed on such services.

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.3 Resold Services (Cont'd)

- (D) Rate Regulations Concerning the Resale of MTS/MTS type Services (Cont'd)
 - (1) Apportionment and Adjustment of Resold Minutes of Use (Cont'd)

(b) Terminating Services

The Telephone Company will apportion the resold terminating MTS/MTS type services and terminating minutes of use for which the resale credit adjustment applies, among the access groups and BSAs. Such apportionment will be based on the relationship of the terminating usage for each access group or BSA to the total terminating usage for all access groups or for all BSAs in the LATA. For purposes of administering this provision:

Resold terminating MTS/MTS type services minutes shall be only those attributable to interstate terminating MTS/MTS type minutes of use (i.e., collect, third number, and credit card) and shall not include intrastate minutes of use or MTS/MTS type minutes of use paid for by another party.

The resale credit adjustment shall apply for resold terminating MTS/MTS type services and minutes of use, provided Carrier Common Line and Switched Access charges have been assessed on such services.

(2) Same State/Telephone Company/Exchange Limitation

In order for the rate regulations to apply, as set forth in (4), (5) or (6) following, the access groups or BSAs and the resold MTS/MTS type services must be provided in the same state (except when the same extended area service arrangement is provided in two different states by the same Telephone Company) in the same exchange, provided by the same Telephone Company and connected directly or indirectly. For those exchanges that encompass more than one state, the customer shall report the information by state within the exchange.

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.3 Resold Services (Cont'd)

(D) Rate Regulations Concerning the Resale of MTS/MTS type Services (Cont'd)

(3) Direct and Indirect Connections

Each of the access group or BSA arrangements used by the customer in association with the resold MTS/MTS type services must be connected either directly or indirectly to the customer designated premises at which the resold MTS/MTS type services are terminated. Direct connections are those arrangements where the access groups and resold MTS/MTS type services are terminated at the same customer designated premises.

Indirect originating connections are those arrangements where the access groups, BSAs, and the resold originating MTS/MTS type services are physically located at different customer designated premises in the same exchange. Such different customer designated premises are connected by facilities that permit a call to flow from access groups to resold MTS/MTS type services.

Indirect terminating connections are those arrangements where the access groups, BSAs, and resold terminating MTS/MTS type services are physically located at different customer designated premises in the same exchange. Such different customer designated premises are connected by facilities that permit a call to flow from resold terminating MTS/MTS type services to access groups or BSAs.

(4) Reserved for Future Use

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.3 Resold Services (Cont'd)

- (D) Rate Regulations Concerning the Resale of MTS/MTS type Services (Cont'd)
 - (5) Access Groups and BSAs Equal Access Offices Only

When all the usage on an access group or BSA originates from and/or terminates to end offices that have been converted to equal access, the premium charge per minute, as set forth in 12.5, will apply. The minutes billed Carrier Common Line charges will be the adjusted originating interstate access minutes and the adjusted terminating interstate access minutes for such access groups or BSAs.

The adjusted originating access minutes will be the originating interstate access minutes less the reported resold originating MTS/MTS type service minutes of use, as set forth in (1)(a) preceding, but not less than zero. The adjusted terminating access minutes will be the terminating interstate access minutes less the reported resold terminating MTS/MTS type service minutes of use, as set forth in (1)(b) preceding, but not less than zero.

(6) Reserved for Future Use

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.3 Resold Services (Cont'd)

(D) Rate Regulations Concerning the Resale of MTS/MTS type Services (Cont'd)

(7) When the Adjustment Will Be Applied to Customer Bills

The adjustment, as set forth in (5) preceding, will be made to the involved customer account no later than either the next bill date, or the one subsequent to that, depending on when the usage report is obtained.

(8) Conversion of Billed Usage to Minutes

When the MTS/MTS type usage is shown in hours, the number of hours shall be multiplied by 60 to develop the associated MTS/MTS type minutes of use. If the MTS/MTS type usage is shown in a unit that does not show hours or minutes, the customer shall provide a factor to convert the shown units to minutes.

(9) Mixed Interstate and Intrastate Usage

The adjustment, as set forth in (5) preceding, will be made to the involved customer account after making the adjustments to the customer account, as set forth in 4.5.2(D).

12. CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.4 Tandem Switch Signaling

- (A) When Tandem Switch Signaling (TSS) is provided with originating Feature Group D service, the Carrier Common Line rate element will be billed to the customer to whom the Carrier Identification Code is assigned.
- (B) When terminating tandem routed service is received from the TSS customer, the carrier common line charges for the terminating minutes of use to each end office from the TSS customer's location will be billed in the following manner:
 - (1) If the TSS customer is not the customer of record, the customer of record, i.e., the customer who ordered the facilities to the TSS customer's location, or the customer on whose behalf the TSS customer has ordered the facilities as agent for the customer, will be billed for all terminating Carrier Common Line charges.
 - (2) If the TSS customer is the customer of record for facilities to the TSS customer's location, the terminating Carrier Common Line charges are the responsibility of the TSS customer. At the TSS customer's request, the Telephone Company will bill each of the TSS customer's customers directly for their respective Carrier Common Line charges, if the TSS customer agrees to furnish the Telephone Company, free of charge, the call detail information necessary to bill the TSS customer's users as set forth in 4.5.2(H)(7).

12.4.5 Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge

(A) Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charges (PICC) compensate the Telephone Company for Telephone Company provided common lines for access to end users.

The PICC is a flat-rated charge assessed on the end user's presubscribed carrier. End user customers who do not select a presubscribed carrier will be billed the PICC. The PICC shall not be applicable to any type of payphone lines (per FCC 03-139, Access Charge Reform Order).

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.5 Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge (Cont'd)

(A) Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charges (PICC) compensate the Telephone Company for Telephone Company provided common lines for access to end users.

(B) Rates and Charges

	Monthly Rate Per Presubscribed Multiline <u>Business Line</u>	Monthly Rate Per Presubscribed ISDN PRI Arrangement
Jurisdiction		
California Florida Texas	\$.00 .00 .00	\$.00 .00 .00
	Monthly Rate One Line Centrex <u>Per Line</u>	Monthly Rate Two Line Centrex <u>Per Line</u>
Jurisdiction		
California Florida Texas	\$.00 .00 .00	\$.00 .00 .00
	Monthly Rate Three Line Centrex <u>Per Line</u>	Monthly Rate Four Line Centrex <u>Per Line</u>
Jurisdiction		
California Florida Texas	\$.00 .00 .00	\$.00 .00 .00

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

12.4.5 Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge (Cont'd)

(B) Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

	Monthly Rate Five Line Centrex <u>Per Line</u>	Monthly Rate Six Line Centrex <u>Per Line</u>
Jurisdiction		
California Florida Texas	\$.00 .00 .00	\$.00 .00 .00
	Monthly Rate Seven Line Centrex <u>Per Line</u>	Monthly Rate Eight Line Centrex <u>Per Line</u>
Jurisdiction		
California Florida Texas	\$.00 .00 .00	\$.00 .00 .00
	Monthly Rate Nine Line Centrex <u>Per Line</u>	
Jurisdiction		
California Florida Texas	\$.00 .00 .00	

12. <u>CARRIER COMMON LINE SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)

12.5 Rates and Charges

	Premiu Per Originating Access Minute	um Rate Per Terminating Access Minute	
Jurisdiction			
California Non Toll Free California Toll Free	\$.000000 \$.000000	\$.0000000	(T)
Florida Non Toll Free	.0000000	.0000000	
Florida Toll Free Texas Non Toll Free	.0000000 .000000	.0000000	
Texas Toll Free	.0000000		(T)