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LOCAL SERVICES

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B. OBLIGATION AND LIABILITY OF TELEPHONE COMPANY (Continued)

8. Customer Premise Equipment (Continued)

- c. The customer indemnifies and saves the Company harmless against claims for libel, slander, or infringement of patents arising from combining such equipment with the facilities of the Company.
- d. The Company shall not be responsible to the customer if changes in criteria in this tariff or changes in any of the facilities or operations or procedures of the Company render any customer premise equipment obsolete, or require modification or alteration of such equipment, or otherwise affect its use or performance. The Company reserves the right to change the standards of its equipment as the requirements of the telephone business may direct.

C. USE OF SERVICE AND FACILITIES

1. Use of Customer Service

- a. Customer telephone service is furnished on retail basis for residential or business use only and not for resale except as otherwise provided in Part II, Section O. Service accounts are assigned to customers only, and the customer(s) in whose name the account is established will be treated as the account owner(s) for all purposes. Account owners shall be responsible for any and all use of the subscribed service.

2. Attachment or Connection of Customer Premise Equipment

- a. Customer premise equipment may be used with the facilities furnished by the Company, for telecommunication service, provided that such equipment will be connected, maintained and operated in a manner compatible with Company's facilities and networks.
- b. It is the customer's obligation to ensure compliance with any applicable state or federal laws governing the installation and use of customer premise equipment.
- c. To protect the network and services furnished to the public by the Company, the customer premise equipment must comply with all applicable minimum network protection criteria.
- d. If customer premise equipment is used which is causing or is likely to cause interference or hazard to the network, the Company will take such action as it deems necessary for the protection of the telecommunications network.
- e. After notification by the Company of such interference or hazard, the customer shall discontinue such use and disconnect such equipment. Failure of the customer to conform to this requirement may result in suspension of service.
- f. The customer will be responsible to pay a service check charge as specified in Part VI, Service Check Charges for visits to their premises when the service difficulty is caused by the customer premise equipment.

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D. ESTABLISHMENT AND FURNISHING OF SERVICE

1. Application for Service
 - a. Applications for service may be made orally or in writing. These applications become contracts upon the establishment of service. The Company may require an applicant to pay in advance an amount equal to one month's exchange rate. If a deposit is required by the Company, applicable non-recurring charges and service charges (if any) may be required in advance. The terms and conditions specified for such contracts are subject to these General Rules and Regulations and the local Exchange Tariff for the exchange from which service is to be furnished. Any change in rates, rules or regulations shall act as a modification of the contract to that extent, without further notice.
 - b. Minimum contract periods and termination of service are covered elsewhere in Part II of this tariff.
2. Telephone Numbers
 - a. The customer has no proprietary right in the telephone number or any right to continuance of service from any specific central office, and the Company may assign or change the telephone number, the central office designation, or both, as is necessary in the conduct of its business or subject to any porting requirements. Except for non-payment of yellow page advertising, when customers are assigned a new number within the exchange, the former working number intercept shall provide the new number to a calling party for not less than 60 days or until the issuance of a new directory.
3. Alterations
 - a. The customer agrees to notify the Company promptly whenever alterations or new construction on premises owned or leased by the customer necessitate changes in the Company's facilities. The customer agrees to pay the Company's charges for such changes.
4. Payment for Service
 - a. The customer is required to pay all rates and charges for local, exchange services and facilities.
5. Maintenance and Repairs
 - a. All expense of maintenance and repair of regulated services or facilities provided by the Company will be borne by the Company. The customer will be held responsible for restoration or replacement costs in case of loss of, damage to, or destruction of any of the Company's facilities not due to normal use. Customers may not rearrange, disconnect, or remove or permit others to rearrange, disconnect, or remove any Company owned facility installed by the Company unless provided elsewhere in this tariff.

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F. ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF CREDIT (Continued)

6. Service Charge for Reconnection
 - a. Where service has been discontinued for failure to establish or maintain credit, as set forth in F.1. above, the applicable service charges as defined in Part VI of this tariff shall apply.
7. Deposit Refunds
 - a. The deposit shall be refunded or credited to the customer after not more than 12 consecutive months of prompt payment or 11 timely payments and one automatic forgiveness of late payment, unless the Company has documented information which indicates the deposit is necessary to insure payment.
8. Criteria for Procurement of Deposits
 - a. False credit information
 - b. Unsatisfactory credit history

G. APPLICATION OF BUSINESS AND RESIDENCE RATES

1. Business rates apply at the following locations:
 - a. In offices, stores, factories, mines, and all other places of a strictly business nature.
 - b. In boarding houses, except as noted under G.2. below, offices of hotels, halls and offices of apartment buildings; quarters occupied by clubs or lodges; public, private or parochial schools or colleges, hospitals, libraries and other similar institutions.
 - c. At residence locations when the customer has no regular business access line service and the use of the service either by himself, members of his household, or his guests, or parties calling him can be considered as more of a business than of a residence nature. This may be indicated by advertising either by business cards, newspapers, handbooks, billboards, circulars, motion picture screens, or other advertising media, such as on vehicles, etc. When such business use is not such as commonly arises and passes over to residence telephone during the intervals when, in compliance with the law or established custom, business places are ordinarily closed.
 - d. In any location where the listing of service at that location indicates a business, trade or profession, except as specified under G.2. below.
2. Residence rates apply at the following locations:
 - a. In a private residence where business listings are not provided.
 - b. In private apartments of hotels, rooming house, or boarding houses where service is confined to the customer's use.
 - c. In college fraternity or sorority houses where individual access line service is provided.

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J. DISCONNECTION OR REFUSAL OF SERVICE

1. By the Company Without Notice

a. The Telephone Company may disconnect or refuse service without notice:

- 1) in the event of a condition on the customer's premises determined by the Telephone Company to be hazardous.
- 2) in the event of customer's use in such a manner as to adversely affect the Telephone Company's facilities or the Telephone Company's service to others, such as:
 - a) connection of Customer Premise Equipment which causes or is likely to cause interference or hazard to the network.
 - b) Impersonation of another with fraudulent intent.
- 3) in the event of tampering with facilities furnished and owned by the Telephone Company.
- 4) in the event of unauthorized use.

2. By the Company After Prior Written Notice

a. In addition to the reasons set forth in subparagraph 1a. above, the Telephone Company may disconnect or refuse service after providing at least five days or in the case of deposits twelve days, prior written notice for any of the following reasons:

- 1) failure of a customer to make suitable deposit as required by these rules.
- 2) use of service in an unlawful or abusive manner, including to illegally threaten or harass other persons or in violation of any federal, state, or local law applicable to use of service.
- 3) the customer's bill for local services remains unpaid after the last date for timely payment.
- 4) for failure of the customer or prospective customer to furnish permits or certificates of right-of-way specified to be furnished in the Telephone Company's rules filed with the Iowa Utilities Board as conditions for obtaining service, or the termination of those permissions or rights, or for the failure of the customer or prospective customer to fulfill the contractual obligations imposed upon them as conditions of obtaining service by a contract subject to the regulatory authority of the Iowa Utilities Board.
- 5) for failure of the customer to permit the Telephone Company reasonable access to its facilities.
- 6) any other violation of the Telephone Company's rules and regulations on file with the Iowa Utilities Board, the requirements of municipal ordinances or law pertaining for the service.

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J. DISCONNECTION OR REFUSAL OF SERVICE (Continued)

2. By the Company After Prior Written Notice (Continued)

- b. Despite the prior written notice provisions as contained in these rules, disconnection may take place prior to the expiration of the notice period if the Telephone Company determines, from verifiable data, that usage during the notice period is so abnormally high that a risk of irrevocable revenue loss is created.
- c. Only one written notice will be provided to the customer if multiple violations occur.
- d. The notice of pending disconnection required by these rules shall be a written notice setting forth all reasons for the notice, and the final date by which the account is to be settled or specific action taken. The notice shall be considered rendered to the customer when deposited in the U.S. mail with postage prepaid. If delivery is by other than U.S. mail, the notice shall be considered rendered when delivered to the last known address of the person responsible for payment for the service. The final date shall be not less than five days after the notice is rendered, or in the case of deposits twelve days. The notice will include a toll-free or collect number where a customer can obtain additional information.
- e. Where written notice is required, the Company will not disconnect service on a weekend, holiday, or after 2:00 P.M. unless the Company is prepared to reconnect the service the same day.

3. Disputes

In the event of a dispute concerning a bill, the Telephone Company may require the customer to pay a sum of money equal to the amount of the undisputed portion of the bill. Following payment of the undisputed amount, efforts to resolve the complaint, using complaint procedures in the Telephone Company's Tariff, shall continue and for not less than forty-five days after the rendering of the disputed bill, the service shall not be disconnected for non-payment for the disputed amount. The forty-five days may be extended by up to sixty days if requested of the Telephone Company by the Iowa Utilities Board in the event the customer files a written complaint with the Iowa Utilities Board, Customer Service, 1375 E. Court Avenue, Room 69, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0069, toll free at 1-877-565-4450, or customer@iub.iowa.gov.

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N. CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS

1. General

- a. A customer or prospective customer may initiate a complaint with the Company on any relevant matter by telephone, in person or in writing directed to the Company at any of its offices. The Company's response to the complaint will generally be in the same form used by the customer. However, the Company may respond to written complaints by telephone or personal visits when it believes such communications will be effective in resolution of the issues.
- b. The customer may at any point during resolution of the complaint seek review by a Supervisor or Manager.
- c. Upon investigation and final resolution by the Company, if the customer wishes further review, the customer should direct all appropriate information to the Iowa Utilities Board, Customer Service, 1375 E. Court Avenue, Room 69, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0069, toll free at 1-877-565-4450, or customer@iub.iowa.gov.

O. RESALE OR SHARED SERVICE

1. General

- a. A reseller or shared service customer may obtain local exchange service from the Company to allow occupants of a building or complex of buildings to share in the use of local exchange services.
- b. The Company will provide service to the point of demarcation.
- c. The customer shall be responsible to extend the service from the point of demarcation.
- d. The end-user customer must be allowed to subscribe to service provided by the Company.
- e. Should the reseller refuse to allow the end-user customer to subscribe to local exchange service direct from the Company, the end-user customer may file a complaint against the reseller with the Iowa Utilities Board, Customer Service, 1375 E. Court Avenue, Room 69, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0069, toll free at 1-877-565-4450, or customer@iub.iowa.gov.

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INDIVIDUAL LINE - A Central Office Access Line to provide one-party service. (Not a private branch exchange trunk.)

INITIAL SERVICE PERIOD - The minimum length of time for which a customer is obligated to pay for service, facilities and equipment, whether or not retained by the customer for such minimum length of time.

INSTALLATION CHARGE - A nonrecurring charge made at the time of installation of communications service or facilities, which may apply in place of or in addition to Service Charges and other applicable charges for service.

JOINT USER SERVICE - An arrangement whereby an individual, firm or corporation whose telephone needs are not such as to justify the provision of separate customer service is permitted to use the services of another customer.

LIFELINE ASSISTANCE – An assistance program which for qualified applicants have a reduction in the monthly local exchange service.

LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE - Telecommunications within a local service area in accordance with the provisions of the Company's tariffs.

LOCAL MESSAGE - A completed customer or user call between stations located within the same Exchange Area or Local Service Area.

LOCAL SERVICE AREA - The area within which telephone service is furnished under a specific schedule or rates without the application of a long distance message charge.

LOW INCOME CONNECTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – An aggregate term for the assistance programs identified as the Link Up Assistance Program and the Lifeline Assistance Program.

MESSAGE - A completed customer or user call.

MESSAGE RATE SERVICE - A service for which charges are based upon the number of originated messages placed by the customer to stations within the same local or message rate calling area.

MILEAGE RATE - The rate applying for the use of part or all of a line furnished by the Company.

MINIMUM CONTRACT PERIOD - The minimum length of time for which a customer is obligated to pay for services and/or facilities, whether or not retained by the customer for such minimum length of time.

NONRECURRING CHARGE - A one-time charge associated with certain installations, changes or

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transfers of services, either in lieu of or in addition to recurring monthly charges.

NOTICE - See "Disconnect Notice."

OUTSIDE PLANT - The telephone facilities installed on, along, or under streets, alleys, highways, and private rights of way between customer locations, central offices or the central office and customer location.

PAY TELEPHONE SERVICE - A central office access line providing connections for pay telephone equipment.

PAY CENTRAL OFFICE ACCESS LINE - A circuit extending from the central office equipment up to and including the demarcation point to provide both local and toll service.

PREMISES - The space occupied by an individual customer in a building, in adjoining buildings, or on contiguous property including property separated only by a public thoroughfare, a railroad right-of-way, or a natural barrier.

PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE TRUNKS - See "Central Office Access Line."

PROTECTOR - A utility owned electrical device located in the central office, at a customer's premises or anywhere along any telephone facilities which is designed to protect both the telephone company's and the customer's property and facilities from over-voltage and over-current by shunting such excessive voltages and currents to ground.

RATES - Recurring amounts billed to customers for regulated communications services.

RESALE SERVICE - Central Office Access Line service obtained by a customer from the Company and resold to occupants of a building or complex of buildings.

RESIDENCE SERVICE - Telecommunication service furnished to customers when its use is for domestic purposes.

RURAL SERVICE - Telecommunication service in an exchange area outside of a base rate area or generally outside a special rate area.

SERVICE CHARGE - The charge a customer is required to pay at the time of the establishment of telephone service or subsequent changes to that service.

SERVICE CHECK - See "Check of Service".

SERVICE ORDERING CHARGE - For work involved in receiving, recording and transmitting,

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information for establishment of telephone service or subsequent change to that service including directory listing.

SHARED SERVICE - Central Office Access Line service obtained by a customer from the Company and shared by occupants of a building or complex of buildings.

STANDARD NETWORK INTERFACE - See "Demarcation Point."

SUSPEND - See "Temporary or Vacation Suspension."

TARIFF - The rates, charges, rules and regulations adopted and filed by the Company with the Iowa Utilities Board.

TELEPHONE COMPANY - See "Company."

TEMPORARY OR VACATION SUSPENSION - Temporary disconnection or impairment of service which shall disable outgoing or incoming communications or both.

TERMINATION CHARGE - A charge applied under certain conditions when a contract for service is terminated by the customer before the expiration of the minimum contract period.

TIMELY PAYMENT - Payment on a customer's account received on or before the due date shown: on a current bill for rates and charges, or by an agreement between the customer and the Company for a series of partial payments to settle a delinquent account.

TOLL BLOCKING - A service that lets customers block the completion of outgoing toll calls from their telecommunications line.

TRIP CHARGE - A charge that applies whenever a visit is required to complete the customer's request. One charge will apply for all work requested at the same time on the same visit.

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CO Central Office

E

EAS Extended Area Service

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FCC Federal Communication Commission
FX Foreign Exchange

I

IUB Iowa Utilities Board

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

RESALE AND SHARED SERVICES

A. GENERAL

1. The Company will provide central office access lines to any landlord, owner, tenant association, or other affiliated group for the purpose of reselling or sharing local exchange services to occupants of a building or complex of buildings with a community of interest.
2. All persons (end-users) or occupants in a building or complex of buildings shall be permitted to subscribe to local exchange service from the Company.
3. The telephone rates charged to resale or shared use providers of service shall be on the same basis as business service.
4. The rates contained herein are in addition to all other applicable rates and charges located in other parts of this Company's tariff.

B. CONDITIONS

1. Community of interest as used in Paragraph A.1. above normally indicates joint or common ownership but other factors may be considered.
2. The local resale or shared use supplier is required to subscribe to a sufficient number of access lines to assure the local network is not impaired and shall provide adequate facilities to its customers.
3. The Company is responsible for transmission quality up to the point of demarcation with the resale/shared use supplier. Transmission quality on the customer side of demarcation shall be the responsibility of the resale/shared use supplier.
4. The local resale/shared use supplier shall be responsible for providing local exchange telephone directories to its customers or users. The Company shall provide the resale/shared use supplier a directory in accordance with Part II of this tariff.

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DIRECTORY LISTINGS

A. GENERAL

The following rates are applicable to the alphabetic section of the white pages of the telephone directory for business or residence customers. The rates and charges contained herein are in addition to all other applicable rates and charges located in other parts of this tariff.

B. RATES

	Monthly <u>Rate</u>
1. Additional or alternate listings, per listing	\$1.00
2. Unlisted service, per listing	
3. Private service, per listing	\$1.00
4. Foreign or nonsubscriber service, per listing	\$1.00
(See Condition 4)	

C. CONDITIONS

1. A primary listing, which may include the name, address and telephone number of the individual, organization, firm or corporation for whom the service has been contracted, will be furnished at no charge.
 - a. Listings will be limited to such information as is necessary for proper identification.
 - b. The length of a listing may be limited by the use of abbreviations where the clarity of the listing and the identification of the customer will not be impaired.
 - c. The Company may refuse to insert any listing which, in its judgment does not facilitate the use of the directory.
2. Additional listings may be furnished with business or residence service for persons who occupy the same premises at the rates shown above. An additional listing may include the same address and telephone number as the primary listing.
3. An alternate call listing refers a calling party to certain other telephone numbers such as after business hours, on Sundays, holidays, or if there is no answer on the first listed number. Where the alternate call number is that of another customer, the listing will be furnished only with written approval of the other customer.

* - Rates are available to customers at the Company's office, website or by mail.

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- 4. A foreign or nonsubscriber listing is furnished to customers requesting that their listing be included in a directory of an exchange other than that from which service is rendered. The rate for a foreign company listing will be the rate of the company in whose directory the listing appears. The Conditions of paragraph C.1. above shall apply.
- 5. Unlisted service indicates the customer listing is omitted from the directory but otherwise posted on the directory assistance records and the telephone number will be given out upon request.
- 6. Private service is the omission of a customer’s listing from both the telephone directory and directory assistance records.
 - a. When private service is to be furnished, the customer will hold the Company harmless from any damages which might arise, and will absolve the Company from any responsibility for the failure of the customer to receive calls because of the private listing.
 - b. No charge will apply for private service for customers having other listed service.
- 7. The charge for additional, alternate or private listings is effective the day the directory assistance record is posted.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE SERVICE

A. GENERAL

1. Foreign Exchange Service (FX) is a local service that provides dial tone to and from a telephone exchange other than the subscribers local exchange. In essence, the telephone subscriber is provided dial tone from another exchange whereby calls are transmitted over a special circuit between the two exchanges.
2. The rates and charges contained herein are in addition to all other applicable rates and charges located in other parts of this tariff.

B. DEFINITIONS

1. Local Exchange - the exchange in which the customer premise equipment is located and in which service is provided.
2. Serving Exchange - the exchange in which the serving central office is located.
3. Contiguous Exchange - adjoining exchanges which share a common boundary.
4. Noncontiguous Exchanges - exchanges which do not share a common boundary.

C. RATES

1. Serving Exchange (Dial Tone Provider) rates would be as follows:
 - a. Business or Residence rates would apply (See Part IV of this tariff), plus any possible mileage rates for outside of the base rate area;
 - b. Plus, a FX service rate of N/A per month.
2. Local Exchange (Non Dial Tone Provider) rates would be as follows:
 - a. Business or Residence "Central Office Access Line" rates would apply (See Part IV of this tariff), plus any possible mileage rates for outside of the base rate area;
 - b. Plus, a FX service rate of N/A per month.

* - Rates are available to customers at the Company's office, website or by mail.

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LINE EXTENSIONS

A. GENERAL

Line extensions may be provided as set forth in this tariff for any class and grade of Local Service to customers or applicants beyond the existing facilities of the Company, within the same exchange. The charges contained herein are in addition to all other applicable rates and charges located in other parts of this tariff.

B. CHARGES

	<u>Nonrecurring Charges</u>
1. Extension of facilities	
a. Within the Base Rate/or Special Rate Areas of the Company	None
b. Outside of the Base Rate and/or Special Rate Areas of the Company within the exchange boundaries	
1) Extension of facilities when costs are less than the average amount of Outside Plant investment of the Company. (See formula below.)	None
2) Extension of facilities when costs are greater than the average amount of Outside Plant investment of this Company.	Computed by Formula
2. Formula for Computing Charges:	
a. Outside Plant, net value in last Company financial report. Elements to include:	
1) Plant Under Construction	
2) Pole Lines	
3) Aerial Cable	
4) Underground Cable	
5) Buried Cable	
6) Aerial Wire	
7) Underground Conduit	
b. Number of Central Office Access Lines, at same date as a.	
c. Divided a. by b. equals d.	
d. Average Outside Plant, per Central Office Access Line	
e. Determine total cost of Outside Plant extension	
f. Subtract d. from e. (if possible) equals g.	
g. Remainder is the dollar amount of the line extension due from the customer.	

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C. CONDITIONS

1. Route and type of facilities
 - a. The Company shall determine the route and type of construction which will be used in the extension of its facilities within an exchange. All such line extensions shall be owned and maintained by the Company.
 - b. The Company will be responsible for the route of the proposed line extension facilities upon which costs will be developed. Such routes will include the last pole or cable distribution box on public or private property but will exclude the drop wire (maximum of 150') for the building in which the telephone service is to be located.
 - c. Any difference in costs between the type of construction proposed by the Company for use on a line extension and the type of construction requested by the customer will be charged at actual cost for the difference. (See Part II, Special Type of Construction.)
 - d. When two (2) or more applicants mutually agree they may be considered as a "group." Line extension charges will be established in order to determine the amount of construction which needs to be provided. Line extension charges computed for the total extension, less allowable costs, may be proportionately divided among the applicant making up the "group."
2. Obligation of the Company
 - a. The Company's obligation to provide service through line extensions is solely dependent upon its ability to secure, retain, and maintain suitable rights-of-way without unreasonable expense.
 - b. The Company will survey all prospective customers who could receive service from each proposed line extension project prior to its construction.
3. Payment of charges applicable to line extensions shall be paid in advance.
4. Applicants requesting service which can be provided from a previously established line extension project:
 - a. Within 12 months from the time service was initially provided by means of such line extensions, initial charges will be recomputed by the Company and the applicant will pay a proportionate share of such charges as if they were one of the initial applicants and appropriate refunds will be made to the original customer(s).
 - b. After 12 months from the time service was initially provided, such applicant(s) will be responsible for the charges and conditions applicable to the establishment of line extension facilities required to serve them alone.
5. Except as provided elsewhere in this tariff, refunds of line extension charges will not be paid by the Company.

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C. CONDITIONS (Continued)

6. Supersedure of service provided from a line extension and any adjustment in an amount paid by a customer discontinuing such service will be a matter of negotiation between the disconnecting customer, who has obligated himself for the line extension charge and the superseding applicant.
7. The Company will have the option to specify the type of construction to be used when line extensions are requested for service into real estate subdivisions or mobile home parks. Any difference in costs of types of plant facilities used by the Company or requested by the subdivider will be negotiated between the parties.
8. When the line extension proposed contains growth potential to provide for anticipated future service demands, the proposed customer(s) will only be obligated for that portion of such line extension costs as would be necessary to serve the new customer alone. It will be to that segregated amount that the Formula for average Outside Plant costs will be applied.
9. Line extensions of a temporary or speculative nature
 - a. Line extension of the Company's facilities may be made to provide service of a temporary or speculative nature. An applicant whose service is considered speculative or temporary in nature will be charged the total actual costs of construction and estimated costs of removal, less salvage value, for the material used to establish the service.
 - 1) If after a 12-month period the temporary or speculative project is considered by the Company to be a permanent service, a refund may be made to the customer for the difference between costs paid and the charges which would have been computed for a regular line extension.

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- e. **Call Waiting:** By means of a tone signal a customer who is using his telephone is alerted when another caller is trying to reach that station. This permits putting the first call on hold so that a second call can be answered. This feature also gives Call Waiting customers the ability to control when Call Waiting function on their line.
- f. **Calling Name and Number Delivery:** Allows for the automatic delivery of a calling party's name and telephone number (including nonpublished and nonlisted telephone numbers unless requested to be suppressed by those customers) to the called customer, which gives the called customer an opportunity to decide whether to answer the call immediately or not. The name and number are displayed on customer provided equipment.

The name displayed shall be the name associated with the calling telephone number as shown on the Company's records. The Company, in its discretion, may abbreviate or limit that name for display purposes. The Company does not assure name accuracy, and it shall not be liable to any party for errors, omissions or mistakes. The Company's sole and only obligation shall be to reasonably correct errors in names when notified in writing of such errors.

- g. **Calling Number Blocking-Per Call:** Enables a customer to control the disclosure of their telephone number or name and telephone number to a subscriber of Caller Identification (where technically feasible) by temporarily changing the public/private status indicator of the telephone number. A customer must dial a code before each call to change the indicator from public to private. "Public status" allows delivery of the telephone number or name and telephone number. "Private status" prevents delivery of the telephone number or name and telephone number. Per Call Blocking is provided at no charge.

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- h. Calling Number Blocking-Per Line: Provides a permanent private indicator on a customer's line. Once blocking is established on the customer's line, the private status cannot be deactivated by the customer. Rates and charges are provided herein. Federal, State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies, nonprofit domestic violence/sexual assault agencies and their staffs, and victims of domestic/sexual assault or individuals who express a personal safety need and sign a personal safety exemption form may be provided additional arrangements for private status and/or line blocking, on a line-by-line basis, at no charge.

The certification form identifies the customer who is to receive Per Line Blocking at no charge and acknowledges that if a line is equipped with Per Line Blocking, that the telephone number and name will not be delivered to subscribers of Caller ID, including poison control centers, hospitals, medical centers and others who might use Caller ID to provide assistance. 911 is not affected. And, some subscribers of Caller ID Service may choose not to answer blocked calls.

The customer acknowledges the understanding of the above. Further, the customer releases the Company from all claims and liability, including personal injury caused by its errors, omissions and operation or malfunction of Per Line Blocking service.

- i. Customer Originated Trace: Allows a customer to initiate a trace on the last incoming call by dialing an activation code. The call is traced automatically, and the originating directory number and the time the call was made are forwarded to the telephone company. The customer must contact the telephone company to have the information released to the appropriate law enforcement agency.
- j. Distinctive Ringing (Teen Line): Allows a customer to have a second number on the same line. Calls to the second number are indicated by a distinctive ring.
- k. Distinctive Ring/Call Waiting: An incoming management feature that allows a customer to define a list of calling directory numbers that provides the customer with special incoming call treatment. Any incoming calls on this list are indicated by a distinctive ringing pattern or a distinctive Call Waiting tone, if applicable. Terminating calls from directory numbers which are not on the list, or which cannot be identified, are given standard treatment.

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- l. 900 Restriction: Customers control access to 900 numbers from their phones by entering a three-digit PIN number. The 900 Restriction feature enables customers to establish, using the telephone keypad, a list of 900 exchange codes to be denied or permitted access from their phones. The 900 Restriction feature may also be used to deny or permit access to all 900 numbers. The three-digit PIN number is entered by the customer.
- m. One-Plus Bulk Call Restriction: Allows a customer to turn all One-Plus dialing on or off from their phones by dialing an activation/deactivation code and entering a three-digit PIN number. The three-digit PIN Number is entered by the customer.
- n. One-Plus Per Call Restriction: Allows a customer to control One-Plus dialing from their phones by using a three-digit PIN number. The PIN number must be dialed before all One-Plus calls. The customer will receive a second dial tone after a valid PIN is entered. the customer will be routed to an announcement when a One-Plus call is attempted without the correct PIN. The three-digit PIN number is entered by the customer.
- o. Selective Call Acceptance: Allows a customer to define a list of calling directory numbers that will be accepted. Calling parties not on the acceptance list receive an announcement stating that calls are not presently being accepted by the called party. Customers do not receive notification that calls were rejected.
- p. Selective Call Forwarding: Allows a customer to define a list of 32 directory numbers that will be forwarded to a designated remote station. Terminating calls from directory numbers that cannot be identified or have not been indicated on the list are given standard terminating treatment.
- q. Selective Call Rejection: Allows a customer to define a list of calling directory numbers to be screened. Any calling directory numbers on this list are routed to an announcement stating that the called party is not accepting calls, and are rejected. The Selective Call Rejection customer is not notified when calls have been rejected or how many calls have been rejected.
- r. Speed Calling (8 Code): Allows the customer to enter up to 8 directory numbers – local and long distance – into a Speed Calling List. The customer may then dial a one-digit number to call those numbers on the speed calling list. The customer is excluded from Speed Calling 30 Code when they have this feature.

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- s. Speed Calling (30 Code): Allows the customer to enter up to 30 directory numbers – local and long distance – into a Speed Calling List. The customer may then dial a one-digit or two-digit number to call those numbers on the speed calling list. The customer is excluded from Speed Calling 8 Code when they have this feature.
- t. Terminating Call Manager: Service intercepts calls that are delivered “unknown” or “out of area” to the subscriber’s line.
- u. Three Way Calling: Enables a customer to add a third party to an existing call without operator assistance, thereby establishing a three-way conversation. The transmission may vary depending on the distance and routing necessary; therefore, transmission may not meet normal standards.
- v. Warm Line Service: Allows a customer to establish a switched connection to a predetermined number if the customer does not dial a number within a specified length of time after going off-hook. When the customer’s telephone goes off-hook and dialing begins within a specified time delay period, the call will proceed normally as dialed. If dialing has not started before the end of the predefined time delay period, a predetermined stored number is automatically dialed by the central office equipment.
- w. Call Transfer: This feature allows a subscriber to transfer an established call to any other line without requiring the assistance of an operator or attendant. The user is responsible for all usage charges associated with the transferred call for the duration of the call.

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INFORMATION SERVICE ACCESS BLOCKING

A. GENERAL

1. Information Service Access Blocking enables customers with individual line service to request the blocking of access to all 900 and 976 numbers.
2. The rates and charges contained herein are in addition to all other applicable rates and charges located in other parts of this tariff.

B. CHARGES

1. Information service access blocking..... \$10.00

C. CONDITIONS

1. A customer shall not be charged for the first activation of information service access blocking. After this service has been established, subsequent unblocking and/or reblocking will be subject to all applicable charges*.
2. This service is provided only where central office capabilities permit the offering.

* - Rates are available to customers at the Company's office, website or by mail.

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EMERGENCY REPORTING TELEPHONE SERVICE

ENHANCED UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY NUMBER SERVICE (E911)

A. GENERAL

1. Enhanced Universal Emergency Number Service, also referred to as Enhanced 911 Service or E911, is a telephone exchange communication service whereby one or more Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) designated by the customer may receive telephone calls dialed to the telephone number 911. E911 Service includes a line and equipment necessary for the answering, transferring and dispatching of public emergency telephone 911 calls originated by persons within the serving area. E911 Service provides for Selective Routing, Automatic Number Identification, and Automatic Location Identification features.
2. Enhanced 911 Service is offered subject to availability of facilities.
3. The E911 customer may be a municipality or other state or local governmental unit, or an authorized agent of one or more municipalities or other state or local governmental units to whom authority has been lawfully delegated. The customer must be legally authorized to subscribe to the service and have public safety responsibility by law to respond to telephone calls from the public for emergency police, fire or other emergency services within the telephone central office areas arranged for 911 calling.
4. The rates and charges contained herein are in addition to all other applicable rates and charges located in other parts of this tariff.

B. RATES

The rates and charges for E911 Service will be determined on an individual case basis. Individual features requested by the customer include, but are not limited to, central office modifications, data base preparation, trunking and maintenance.

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C. CONDITIONS

1. E911 service is provided solely for the benefit of the customer operating the PSAP. The provision of E911 Service by the Telephone Company shall not be interpreted, construed, or regarded, either expressly or implied, as being for the benefit of or creating and Telephone Company obligation toward any third person or legal entity other than the customer.
2. The Telephone Company does not undertake to answer and forward E911 calls, but furnishes the use of its facilities to enable the customer's personnel to respond to such calls on the customers' premises.
3. Temporary or vacation suspension of service is not provided for any part of the E911 Service.
4. The E911 calling party forfeits the privacy afforded by non-listed and non-published service to the extent that the telephone number, address, and name associated with the originating station location are furnished to the PSAP. The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of telephone customers whose listings are not published in directories or listed in Directory Assistance Offices is confidential. Information will be provided on a call-by-call basis only for the purpose of responding to emergency calls.
5. The Telephone Company's entire liability to any person for interruption or failures of E911 Service shall be limited to the terms set forth in this section and other sections of this tariff.
6. The rates charged for E911 Service do not contemplate the inspection or constant monitoring of facilities to discover errors, defects, and malfunctions in the service, nor does the Company undertake such responsibility. The customer shall make such operational tests as, in the judgment of the customer, are required to determine whether the system is functioning properly for its use. The customer shall promptly notify the Telephone Company in the event the system is not functioning properly.

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C. CONDITIONS (Continued)

7. The Telephone Company's liability for any loss or damage arising from errors, interruptions, defects, failures, or malfunctions of this service or any part thereof whether caused by the negligence of the Telephone Company or otherwise shall not exceed an amount equivalent to the pro rata charges for the service affected during the period of time that the service was fully or partially inoperative.
8. Each customer also agrees to release, indemnify and hold harmless the Telephone Company from any and all loss, claims, demands, suits, or other action, or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made instituted or asserted by the customer or by any other party or person, for any personal injury to or death of any person or persons, or for any loss, damage, or destruction of any property, whether owned by the customer or others.
9. The customer also agrees to release, indemnify, and hold harmless the Telephone Company for any infringement 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 E911 service features and the equipment associated therewith, or by any services furnished by the Telephone Company in connection therewith, 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 E911 service hereunder, and which arise out of the negligence or other wrongful act of the Telephone Company, the customer, its user, agencies, or municipalities, or the employees or agents of any one of them.
10. Because the Telephone Company serving boundaries and political subdivision boundaries may not coincide, it is the obligation of the customer to make arrangements to handle all E911 calls that originate from telephones served by Central Offices in the local service area whether or not the calling telephone is situated on property within the geographical boundaries of the customer's public safety jurisdiction.

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C. CONDITIONS (Continued)

13. (Continued)

- a. Initial and subsequent ESN assignments by street name, address range and area or other mutually agreed upon routing criteria shall be furnished by the customer to the Telephone Company prior to the effective date of service.
- b. After establishment of service, it is the customer's responsibility to continue to verify the accuracy of the routing information contained in the master address file and to advise the Telephone Company of any changes in street names, establishment of new streets, changes in address numbers used on existing streets, closing and abandonment of streets, changes in police, fire, ambulance, or other appropriate agencies' jurisdiction over any address, annexations, and other changes in municipal and county boundaries, incorporation of new cities or any other matter that will affect the routing of E911 calls to the proper PSAP.
- c. The Telephone Company will provide to the customer on request a complete written copy of the master address file to permit the customer to verify accuracy of the police, fire, and ambulance PSAP routing designations.
- d. Changes, deletions, and additions which the customer desires to have made in the master address file should be submitted on an "as occurred" basis.
- e. The Telephone Company will furnish a written copy to the customer for verification showing each change, deletion, and addition to the master address file.

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N11 – SERVICE OFFERINGS

A. SERVICE DESCRIPTION

1. 211 Service – 211 Service (“211”) is a three-digit local dialing arrangement available in specified areas for the delivery of community information and referral services via voice grade facilities. Pursuant to Order 00-256, issued by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in CC Docket 92-105, the 211 code is assigned for access to community information and referral services.
2. 311 Service – 311 Service (“311”) is a three-digit local dialing arrangement available in specified areas for the delivery of non-emergency local government services via voice grade facilities. Pursuant to Order 00-256, issued by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in CC Docket 92-105, the 311 code is assigned for non-emergency local government services.
3. 511 Service - 511 Service (“511”) is a three-digit local dialing arrangement available in specified areas for the delivery of travel information services via voice grade facilities. Pursuant to Order 00-256, issued by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in CC Docket 92-105, the 511 code is assigned for access to travel information services.
4. 711 Service – 711 Service (“711”) is a three-digit local dialing arrangement for telephone transmission access to all Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) entities as a toll free call. Pursuant to Order 00-256, issued by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in CC Docket 92-105, the 711 code is assigned for nationwide access to TRS entities.
5. 811 Service – 811 Service (“811”) is a three-digit local dialing arrangement available in specified areas used for access to One Call systems via voice grade facilities. Pursuant to Order 05-59, issued by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in CC Docket 92-105, the 811 code is established as the national abbreviated dialing code to be used by state One Call notification systems in order to provide the means for excavators and the general public to notify underground facility operators in advance of their intent to engage in excavation activities in compliance with the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2002 (the Pipeline Safety Act).

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B. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. N11 Service is available in Company territory only. To provide N11 access to end users in another company's territory, or to a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier's (CLEC) end user, the N11 subscriber must make appropriate arrangements with the Company or CLEC serving that territory.
2. This service is provided subject to the availability of the N11 code.
3. N11 can be delivered via regular exchange access lines (by individual business line, PBX trunks, etc.).
4. Access to N11 is not available to the following classes of service:
 - 1+,
 - 0+, 0-(credit card, third-party, collect calls),
 - 101XXXX.

In addition, operator assisted calls to the N11 subscriber will not be completed.

5. The N11 subscriber is restricted from selling or transferring the N11 code to an unaffiliated entity, either directly or indirectly.
6. N11 will not provide calling number information in real time to the N11 subscriber. If the N11 subscriber needs this type of information, the N11 subscriber must subscribe to a compatible Caller Identification Service.
7. Calls to the N11 code that translate to a disconnected number will be routed to intercept of the announcement facilities for a maximum of 60 days, when the N11 provider is a Company subscriber. The announcement provided may refer the caller to another telephone number. Callers placing calls to N11 from areas where N11 Service is not provided will be advised that the service is not available from their number.
8. Disputes regarding geographic coverage by two or more N11 subscribers will be referred to the Iowa Utilities Board.

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B. TERMS AND CONDITIONS (Continued)

13. N11 will be provided under the following conditions: (Continued)

- c. The N11 subscriber shall be liable for, and shall indemnify, protect, defend and save harmless the Company against all suits, actions, claims, demands and judgments, and of all costs, expenses and counsel fees incurred on account thereof, arising out of and resulting directly or indirectly from the service or in connection therewith, including but not limited to, any loss, damage, expense or liability resulting from any infringement or claim of infringement, or any patent, trademark, copy right, or resulting from any claim of liable and slander.
- d. Suspension of N11 Services is not allowed.
- e. The N11 subscriber will respond promptly to any and all complaints lodged with any regulatory authority against any service provided via N11. At the Company's request, the N11 subscriber will assist in responding to complaints made to the Company concerning the subscriber's N11 service.
- f. The Company will provide both oral and written notification when a N11 subscriber's service unreasonably interferes with or impairs other services rendered to the public by the company or by other subscribers of N11. The Company reserves the right once notification is made to institute protective measure up to and including termination at any time and without further notice. The Company may take protective measure when the N11 subscriber makes no modification or is unwilling to accept modification in method of operation, or continues to cause service impairments.

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B. TERMS AND CONDITIONS (Continued)

14. The following conditions apply if the N11 subscriber provides a pre-recorded announcement:
 - a. The N11 subscriber will provide announcements. The Company will provide only delivery of the call.
 - b. The Company's provision of access to the N11 network for transmission of announcements or recorded program services is subject to the availability of such facilities and the requirements of the local exchange network.
 - c. The N11 subscriber assumes all financial responsibility for all costs involved in providing announcement or recorded program services including but not limited to, the recorder-announcement equipment producing the recording, advertising and promotional expenses.
 - d. The N11 subscriber assumes all financial responsibility, according to other specific rates and charges under catalog, for all facilities required to connect the recorder-announcement equipment located on the subscriber's premises.
15. The Company may take all legal and practical steps to disassociate it from N11 subscribers whose business and/or public conduct (whether demonstrated or proposed) generate unacceptable levels of complaints by end users.
16. The Company is not liable for any losses or damages of any kind resulting from the unavailability of its equipment, facilities or for any act, omission, or failure of performance by the Company, its employees or agents, in connection with this tariff. The Company will not be responsible for calls that cannot be completed as a result of repair or maintenance difficulties on Company facilities and equipment or on equipment owned or leased by the subscriber.
17. Calls placed to the N11 code will be routed to the point-to number based upon the central office switch and/or the Number Plan Area (NPA) of the calling party. Routing based upon NPA and NXX, ten-digit telephone number or ZIP Codes can be provided where technically feasible.

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