

**8. CONNECTIONS OF PREMISES EQUIPMENT  
TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

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PREMISES WIRE**

A. General

Guidelines for equipment (including protective circuitry), communications systems, and premises wiring connected to telecommunications services furnished by the Company are found in Title 47, Telecommunications of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 68, Connection of Terminal Equipment to the Telephone Network (47 CFR 68), commonly known as the FCC's Registration Program. The customer may refer to the aforementioned document for further information.

B. Customer Responsibility

The customer shall be responsible for the installation, operation and maintenance of any customer equipment or system. No combinations of customer equipment or systems shall require change in or alteration of the equipment or services of the Company, cause electrical hazards to Company personnel, damage to Company equipment, malfunction of Company billing equipment, or degradation of service to persons other than the user of the subject equipment or system, their calling or called party. Upon notice from the Company that a customer equipment or system is causing such hazard, damage, malfunction or degradation of service, the customer shall make such changes as shall be necessary to remove or prevent such hazard, damage, malfunction or degradation of service.

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C. Company Responsibility

1. Telecommunications services are not represented as adapted to the use of customer equipment or systems. Where customer equipment or systems are used with telecommunications services, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of service components suitable for telecommunications services and to the maintenance and operation of service components in a manner proper for such services. Subject to this responsibility the Company shall not be responsible for:
  - The through transmission of signals generated by the customer equipment or systems or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission.
  - The reception of signals by customer equipment or systems.
  - Address signaling where such signaling is performed by customer signaling equipment.
2. The Company will, at the customer's request, provide information concerning interface parameters, including the number of ringers which may be connected to a particular telephone line, needed to permit customer equipment to operate in a manner compatible with telecommunications services.
3. The Company may make changes in its telecommunications services, equipment, operations or procedures. If such changes can be reasonably expected to render any customer's equipment or system incompatible with telecommunications services, or require modification or alteration of such customer equipment or systems, or otherwise materially affect its use or performance, the customer will be given adequate notice, in writing, to allow the customer an opportunity to maintain uninterrupted service.

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D. Recording of Two-Way Telephone Conversations

Telecommunications services are not represented as adapted to the recording of two-way telephone conversations. However, customer voice recording equipment may be directly, acoustically or inductively connected with telecommunications services. Guidelines are described in Title 47, Telecommunications of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 64, Miscellaneous Rules Relating to Common Carriers (47 CFR 64).

E. Acoustic or Inductive Connections

Customer voice or data terminal equipment may be acoustically or inductively connected to Company-provided terminal equipment provided the connection is made external to the terminal equipment.

Customer tone-type address signaling is permitted through such connections, however, the services of the Company are not designed for such use and the Company makes no representation as to the reliability of address signaling which is performed in such manner.

F. Violation of Regulations

When any customer equipment or system is used with telecommunications services in violation of any of the provisions of this Tariff, the Company will take such immediate action as necessary for the protection of the telecommunications network and Company employees, and will promptly notify the customer of the violation. The customer shall discontinue such use of the equipment or system or correct the violation and shall confirm in writing to the Company within ten days, following the receipt of written notice from the Company, that such use has ceased or that the violation has been corrected. Failure of the customer to discontinue such use or to correct the violation and to give the required written confirmation to the Company within the time stated above shall result in suspension of the customer's service until such time as the customer complies with the provisions of this Tariff.