

3. CARRIER COMMON LINE ACCESS SERVICE

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3. CARRIER COMMON LINE ACCESS SERVICE

3.1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Carrier Common Line Access provides for the use of Company common lines by customers for access to end users to furnish Intrastate Communications.

The Company will provide Carrier Common Line Access Service (Carrier Common Line Access) to customers in conjunction with Switched Access Service provided in Section 6 of this Tariff.

Premium Access is (1) Switched Access Service provided to ICs under this Tariff which furnish intrastate MTS/WATS, and (2) Switched Access Service in an end office converted to equal access.

Non Premium Access is Switched Access Service provided in an end office not yet converted to equal access to customers that do not furnish intrastate MTS/WATS.

3.2 LIMITATIONS

3.2.1 EXCLUSIONS

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

3.2.2 ACCESS GROUPS

All trunk side connections provided in the same combined access group will be limited to the same features and operating characteristics.

All line side connections provided in the same combined access group will be limited to the same features and operating characteristics.

3.2.3 WATS ACCESS LINES

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

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3.3 UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY

3.3.1 PROVISION OF SERVICE

Where the customer is provided with Switched Access Service under other sections of this Tariff, the Company will provide the use of Company common lines by a customer for access to end users at rates and charges as set forth in 3.9, following.

3.3.2 INTERSTATE AND INTRASTATE USE

The Switched Access Service provided by the Company includes the Switched Access Service provided for intrastate communications. The Carrier Common Line Access rates and charges as set forth in 3.9, following, apply to intrastate Switched Access Service access minutes in accordance with the rate terms and conditions as set forth in 3.8.4, following, (Percent Interstate Use-PIU).

3.4 OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER

3.4.1 SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE REQUIREMENT

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

3.4.2 SUPERVISION

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

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3.5 DETERMINATION OF USAGE SUBJECT TO CARRIER COMMON LINE ACCESS RATES

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

3.5.1 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION

When the customer reports interstate and intrastate use of Switched Access Service, the associated Carrier Common Line Access used by the customer for intrastate will be determined as set forth in 3.8.4, following, (Percent Interstate Use-PIU).

3.5.3 LOCAL EXCHANGE ACCESS AND ENHANCED SERVICE EXEMPTION

When access to the local exchange is required to provide a customer service (MTS/WATS-type service) using a resold Private Line Transport Service, Switched Access Service Rates and Terms and Conditions, as set forth in Section 6, following will apply. Carrier Common Line Access rates and charges as set forth in 3.9, following, apply in accordance with the terms and conditions as set forth in 3.8, following.

3.5.4 SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE PROVIDED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A COMMERCIAL MOBILE RADIO SERVICE PROVIDER

For Switched Access Service provided in conjunction with a CMRS provider, Carrier Common Line Access rates do not apply.

3.5.5 COMMON CHANNEL SIGNALING ACCESS CAPABILITY EXEMPTION

Common Channel Signaling Access Service, as set forth in Section 15, following, is not subject to a Carrier Common Line rate.

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3.6 RESOLD MTS AND/OR MTS-TYPE SERVICES

3.6.1 SCOPE

Where the customer is reselling MTS and/or 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 feature Group A, Feature Group B or Feature Group D Switched Access Service under this Tariff as set forth in Section 6 following for originating and/or terminating access in the local exchange. Such access group arrangements, whether single lines or trunks or multiline hunt groups or trunk groups, will have Carrier Common Line Access Charges applied as set forth in 3.9, following, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in 3.6.4.D., following. For purposes of administering this provision:

- Resold intrastate inward MTS and 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 interstate minutes of use.
- Resold intrastate outward MTS and MTS-type service(s) shall not include collect, third number, credit card or interstate minutes of use.

3.6.2 CUSTOMER OBLIGATIONS CONCERNING THE RESALE OF MTS AND/OR MTS-TYPE SERVICES

When the customer is reselling MTS and or/MTS-type service as set forth in 3.6.1, preceding, the customer will be charged the Carrier Common Line Access charges in accordance with the terms and conditions as set forth in 3.6.4, following, if the customer or the provider of the MTS service furnishes documentation of the MTS usage and/or the customer furnishes documentation of the MTS-type usage. Such documentation supplied by the customer shall be supplied each month and shall identify the involved resold MTS and/or MTS-type services.

The monthly period used to determine the minutes of use for resold MTS and/or 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 Company, at a location specified by the Company, no later than 15 days after the bill date shown on the resold MTS and/or MTS-type service bill. If the required information is not received by the 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 is delivered to the Company by the customer.

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3.6 RESOLD MTS AND/OR MTS-TYPE SERVICES (CONT'D)

3.6.3 RESALE DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED BY THE CUSTOMER

When the customer utilizes Switched Access Service as set forth in 3.6.2, preceding, the Company may request a certified copy of the customer's MTS usage billing from either the customer or the provider of the MTS Service and/or when resold MTS-type service is involved, a certified copy of customer's MTS and/or MTS-type service. Requests for billing will relate back no more than 12 months prior to the current billing period.

3.6.4 RATE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONCERNING THE RESALE OF MTS AND/OR MTS-TYPE SERVICES

When the customer is provided an access group to be used in conjunction with the resale of MTS and/or MTS-type services as set forth in 3.6.1, preceding, subject to the limitations as set forth in 3.2, preceding, and the Company receives the usage information required as set forth in 3.6.2, preceding, to calculate the adjustment of Carrier Common Line Access rates, the customer will be billed as set forth in D.1., D.2., or D.3., following.

A. Apportionment and Adjustment of Resold Minutes of Use

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

1. Originating Services

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

- Resold originating MTS and/or MTS-type services minutes shall be only those attributable to intrastate originating MTS and/or MTS-type minutes and shall not include collect, third number, credit card or interstate minutes of use.
- The resale credit adjustment shall apply for resold originating MTS and/or MTS-type services and minutes of use provided Carrier Common Line and Switched Access rates and charges have been assessed on such services.

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3.6.4 RATE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONCERNING THE RESALE OF MTS AND/OR MTS-TYPE SERVICES

- A. Apportionment and Adjustment of Resold Minutes of Use (Cont'd)
2. Terminating Services

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

- Resold terminating MTS and/or MTS-type services minutes shall be only those attributable to intrastate terminating MTS and/or MTS-type (i.e., collect calls, third number calls, and credit card calls) and shall not include interstate minutes of use or MTS and/or MTS-type minutes of use paid for by another party.
- The resale credit adjustment shall apply for resold terminating MTS and/or MTS-type services and minutes of use provided Carrier Common Line and Switched Access rates and charges have been assessed on such services.

- B. Same State/Company/Exchange Limitation

In order for the rate regulations to apply as set forth in D.1., D.2., or D.3., following, the access groups and the resold MTS and/or 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.

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3.6.4 RATE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONCERNING THE RESALE OF MTS AND/OR MTS-TYPE SERVICES (CONT'D)

C. Direct and Indirect Connections

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

Indirect originating connections are those arrangements where the access groups and the resold originating MTS and/or 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 and/or MTS-type services.

Indirect terminating connections are those arrangements where the access groups and resold terminating MTS and/or 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 and/or MTS-type services to access groups.

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3.6.4 RATE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONCERNING THE RESALE OF MTS AND/OR MTS-TYPE SERVICES (CONT'D)

D. Access Groups

1. Access Groups - Non Equal Access Offices Only

When all the usage on an access group originates from and/or terminates at end offices that have not been converted to equal access, the Non Premium Access Charge per minute as set forth in 3.9, following, will apply. The minutes billed Carrier Common Line Access Service charges will be the adjusted terminating intrastate access minutes plus the adjusted originating intrastate access minutes for such access groups.

The adjusted terminating access minutes will be the terminating intrastate access minutes less the reported resold inward MTS and/or MTS-type service minutes of use as set forth in B., preceding; but not less than zero. The adjusted originating access minutes will be the originating intrastate access minutes less the reported resold outward MTS and/or MTS-type service minutes of use as set forth in A., preceding; but not less than zero.

2. Access Groups - Equal Access Offices Only

When all the usage on an access group originates from and/or terminates at end offices that have been converted to equal access the Premium Access Charge per minute as set forth in 3.9, following, will apply. The minutes billed Carrier Common Line Access Service charges will be the adjusted terminating intrastate access minutes and the adjusted originating intrastate access minutes for such access groups.

The adjusted terminating access minutes will be the terminating intrastate access minutes less the reported resold inward MTS and/or MTS-type service minutes of use as set forth in B., preceding; but not less than zero. The adjusted originating access minutes will be the originating intrastate access minutes less the reported resold outward MTS and/or MTS-type service minutes of use; but not less than zero.

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3.6.4 RATE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONCERNING THE RESALE OF MTS AND/OR MTS-TYPE SERVICES

D. Access Groups (Cont'd)

3. Access Groups - Non-Equal Access and Equal Access Offices

When an access group has usage that originates from and/or terminates at both end offices that have been converted to equal access and end offices that have not been converted, both transitional premium and non premium per minute charges as set forth in 3.9, following, will apply respectively. The minutes billed Carrier Common Line access Service charges will be the adjusted terminating intrastate access minutes plus the adjusted originating intrastate access minutes for such access groups.

The adjusted terminating access minutes will be the terminating intrastate access minutes less the reported resold inward MTS and/or MTS-type service minutes of use as set forth in A., preceding; but not less than zero. The adjusted originating access minutes will be the originating intrastate access minutes less the reported resold outward MTS and/or MTS-type service minutes of use as set forth in A., preceding; but not less than zero.

The adjusted originating access minutes and the adjusted terminating access minutes will be apportioned between premium and non premium access minutes using end-office specific usage data when available, or when usage data are not available, the premium and non premium ratios developed as set forth in 6.7.1.D.3., following. The Premium and Non Premium per minute charges set forth in 3.9, following, will apply as appropriate to the premium and non premium access minutes determined in this manner.

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3.6.4 RATE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONCERNING THE RESALE OF MTS AND/OR MTS-TYPE SERVICES (CONT'D)

E. When the Adjustment Will Be Applied to Customer Bills

The adjustment as set forth in D., 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.

F. Conversion of Billed Usage to Minutes

When the MTS and/or MTS-type usage is shown in hours, the number of hours shall be multiplied by 60 to develop the associated MTS and/or MTS-type minutes of use. If the MTS and/or 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.

G. Percent Interstate Use (PIU)

The adjustment as set forth in D., preceding, will be made to the involved customer account after making the adjustments to the customer account, as set forth in 3.8.4, following, (PIU).

3.8 RATE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

3.8.1 BILLING OF RATES

Carrier Common Line Access rates will be billed to each Switched Access Service provided under this Tariff in accordance with the terms and conditions as set forth in 3.8.5, following, (Determination of Rates), except as set forth in 3.6.4, preceding, (Resale), 3.2.3, preceding, (WATS Access Lines), and 3.8.4, following, (PIU).

3.8.3 UNMEASURED FEATURE GROUP A USAGE

When Carrier Common Line Access is provided in association with Feature Group A Switched Access Service in Company offices that are not equipped for measurement capabilities, an assumed average intrastate access minutes will be used to determine Carrier Common Line Access rates. These assumed access minutes are as set forth in 6.7.7, following.

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3.8.4 PERCENT INTERSTATE USE (PIU)

When the customer reports interstate and intrastate use of in-service Switched Access Service, Carrier Common Line Access rates will be billed only to intrastate Switched Access Service access minutes based on the data reported by the customer as set forth in 2.3.10, preceding, (Jurisdictional Reports), except where the Company is billing according to actuals by jurisdiction. Intrastate Switched Access Service access minutes will, after adjustment as set forth in 3.6.4, preceding (Resale), when necessary, be used to determine Carrier Common Line Access rates as set forth in 3.8.5, following.

3.8.5 DETERMINATION OF RATES

After the adjustment as set forth in 3.6.4 and 3.8.4, preceding, or E., following, has been applied, when necessary, to the Switched Access Service access minutes, the charges for the involved customer account will be determined as follows:

- A. The access minutes for a Feature Group C or D, and for Feature Group B when utilized for the provision of MTS/WATS, Switched Access Service will be multiplied by the Premium Access per minute rate as set forth in 3.9, following, to determine the charges.

The access minutes for originating Feature Group D 10XXX intraLATA minutes of use in converted end offices where 1+ intraLATA presubscription is not available will be multiplied by the Discounted Premium Access per minute rate as set forth in 3.9, following.

- B. The access minutes for a Feature Group A or B Switched Access Service originating from or terminating at an end office converted to equal access will be multiplied by the Premium Access per minute rate as set forth in 3.9, following, to determine the charges.
- C. The access minutes for a FX/ONAL Feature Group A Switched Access Service originating from or terminating at an end office not converted to equal access will be multiplied by the Non Premium Access per minute rate as set forth in 3.9 following to determine the charges.
- D. The access minutes for a MTS/WATS type Feature Group A or Feature Group B, except for Feature Group B utilized for the provision of MTS/WATS, Switched Access Service originating from or terminating at an end office not converted to equal access will be multiplied by the Non Premium Access per minute rate as set forth in 3.9, following, adjusted as set forth in E.1.a., as appropriate, to determine the charges.

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3.8.5 DETERMINATION OF RATES (CONT'D)

- E. When FGA or FGB Switched Access Service provided to an entry switch (i.e., dial tone office for FGA and access tandem for FGB) has usage originating from and/or terminating at both end offices that have been converted to equal access and end offices that have not been converted, premium and non-premium rates will apply in the following manner:
1. All access minutes that originate from or terminate at the equal access end office(s) will be billed at premium rates. Discounted premium rates apply to all originating FGD intraLATA minutes of use in converted end offices where 1+ intraLATA presubscription is not available. Access minutes that originate from or terminate at end offices not equipped with equal access capabilities, Access minutes that originate from or terminate at end offices not equipped with equal access capabilities, hereinafter referred to as non-premium access minutes, will continue to be billed at non-premium rates. Non-premium usage will apply as follows.
 - a. For FGA and FGB services, the number of access minutes to be billed at non-premium rates is derived by subtracting the number of premium rated access minutes from the total number of access minutes.
 - b. Premium access minutes will be determined as set forth in 2., following.

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2. The number of access minutes to be rated as premium access minutes is determined as follows:
 - a. Where end office specific usage data is available, premium rates apply to the measured access minutes originating from or terminating at the equal access end office(s).
 - b. Where end office specific usage data is not available for originating FGA Service, the total originating usage measured at the entry switch will be apportioned between premium and non-premium access minutes in the following manner. First, develop the ratio of the number of subscriber lines in the local calling area of the entry switch that are served by equal access end offices to the total number of subscriber lines in that local calling area. Then apply this ratio to the total number of originating FGA access minutes to determine the usage to be billed at premium rates, unless adjusted as set forth in c., following. The local calling area of the entry switch is as defined in the Company's Exchange and Network Services Tariff. (T)

The ratio used to determine the premium usage will be updated on a quarterly basis. (T)

- c. Where FGD Switched Access Service is provided to a customer in an end office(s) where originating FGA premium access minutes have been determined in accordance with b. preceding, such originating FGA premium access minutes will be adjusted in the following manner. For each FGD access minute originating from that end office, the originating FGA premium access minutes will be reduced on a one for one basis, but in no event shall the reduction exceed the total number of FGA premium access minutes originating from that end office. The customer will be billed for the revised number of originating FGA premium access minutes.
3. Where originating and terminating recording capability does not exist for MTS/WATS-type FGA or FGB provided to an entry switch, the number of access minutes will be assumed to be 4391 access minutes per line or trunk, regardless of whether the line or trunk is arranged for one way or two way calling. Where recording capability exists for either originating or terminating usage, but not both, on a line or trunk arranged for two way calling, the number of access minutes per line or trunk will be an assumed 4391 or the recorded usage, whichever is greater.

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3.8.5 DETERMINATION OF RATES (CONT'D)

- F. The Company will provide written notification to all access customers of record within a particular LATA that an end office in that LATA is scheduled to be converted to an equal access end office. This notification will be sent, via certified U.S. Mail, to each customer of record in the LATA where the conversion is scheduled to occur, at least six months in advance of the conversion date.

The customer will have the choice of converting existing services to equal access (i.e., Feature Group D) at no charge or retaining the existing services. Premium rates will apply to the total access minutes beginning on the actual conversion date, whether the customer chooses to convert to FGD or retain existing services.

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3.8.5 DETERMINATION OF RATES (CONT'D)

G. The terminating Premium Access or Non-Premium Access, per minute charge(s) apply to:

- All terminating access minutes of use.

When the customer makes this report available to the Company in advance of billing, those minutes of use will be charged on the current bill as originating minutes of use as set forth in L., following. If a billing dispute arises concerning the customer provided report, the Company will request the customer to provide the data the customer used to develop the report. The Company will not request such data more than once a year. The customer shall supply the data within 30 days of the Company request.

When this report is not available to the Company until after billing, it shall be used by the Company to calculate and post a credit to the customer's account. The credit shall be posted to the customer's account with 30 days of receipt of the report. The credit shall be calculated by multiplying the number of access minutes of use, for which a credit is determined to be applicable, times the difference between the terminating and originating Carrier Common Line charges in effect when the calls were completed.

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3.8.5 DETERMINATION OF RATES (CONT'D)

- H. The originating Premium Access or Non-Premium Access, per minute charge(s) apply to:
- All originating access minutes of use.
- I. The originating Premium Discounted Access per minute charge(s) applies to all originating FGD 10XXX intraLATA minutes of use originating in converted end offices where 1+ intraLATA presubscription is not available. Feature Group D 10XXX intraLATA access minutes associated with operator handled access minutes of use must be reported by the customer each month to be used by the Company to calculate and post a credit to the customer's account within 30 days of receipt of the report.

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The rates for Carrier Common Line Access are:

	RATE PER ACCESS MINUTE
• Originating	
- Premium	\$0.001896
- Discount Premium	0.001422
- Non-Premium	0.000853
• Terminating	
- Premium	0.011202 (R)
- Non-Premium	0.005041 (R)