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ACCESS SERVICE**1. Access Service****1.1 General**

This section references regulation, terms and conditions set forth in the National Exchange Carrier Association, FCC C.C. No. 5 (NECA Tariff) for the provision of access service within the territory, except as set forth below.

1.1.1 Identification and Rating of Terminating Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic

- (A) Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic is defined as traffic exchanged over the Public Switched Telephone Network ("PSTN") facilities that originates and/or terminates in Internet Protocol ("IP") format. This section governs the identification of Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic that, in the absence of an interconnection agreement, is required to be compensated at interstate access rates by the Federal Communications Commission in its Report and Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc., FCC Release No. 11-161 (Nov. 18, 2011) ("FCC Order"). The FCC further clarified certain rules adopted in the Nov. 18, 2011 Order, in WC Docket Nos. 10-90 etc., FCC Release No. 12-47 (April 25, 2012) ("Second Order on Reconsideration"). The FCC Second Order on Reconsideration states that, effective July 1, 2014, carriers will be permitted to tariff default rates equal to their interstate originating access rates when they originate Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic. In accordance with the FCC's Second Order on Reconsideration, both the originating and terminating Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic rates listed in Section 21.2(B)(6) reflect the Telephone Company's applicable tariffed interstate access rates for each rate element.

Specifically, this section establishes the method of distinguishing such traffic (referred to in this tariff as "Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic") from the Customer's total intrastate access traffic, so that such Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic can be billed in accordance with the FCC Order.

This section will be applied to the billing of switched access charges to a customer that is a local exchange carrier only to the extent that the customer has also implemented the billing of interstate access charges for Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic in accordance with the FCC Order.

(B) Rating of Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic

The Telephone Company will bill originating and terminating Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic which it identifies in accordance with this tariff section at rates equal to the Telephone Company's applicable tariffed interstate switched access rates.

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(C) Calculation and Application of Percent- VoIP-Usage Factor

The Telephone Company will determine the number of originating and terminating Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic minutes of use ("MOU") to which it will apply its interstate rates under subsection (B) above, by applying a Percent VoIP Usage ("PVU") factor to originating and terminating intrastate access MOU exchange between the Telephone Company's end user and the customer. The PVU will be derived and applied as follows:

- (1) The customer will calculate and furnish to the Telephone Company a PVU factor, along with supporting documentation, representing the whole number percentage of the customer's total originating intrastate access MOU originated by a Telephone Company end user and delivered to the customer.
- (2) The customer will calculate and furnish to the Telephone Company a PVU factor, along with supporting documentation, representing the whole number percentage of the customer's total terminating intrastate access MOU that the customer exchanges with the Telephone Company in the State that is sent to the Telephone Company and originated in IP format.
- (3) The PVU and supporting documentation shall be based on information that is verifiable by the Telephone Company including but not limited to the number of the customer's retail VoIP subscriptions in the state (e.g., as reported on FCC Form 477), traffic studies, actual call detail, or other relevant and verifiable information. The customer shall not modify its reported PIU factor to account for VoIP-PSTN traffic.

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(C) Calculation and Application of Percent- VoIP-Usage Factor (Cont'd)

- (4) After the Telephone Company verifies the originating and terminating PVU provided by the customer the Telephone Company will apply the PVU factors to the associated intrastate access MOU as indicated in Sections (D) and (E) below.

In the event that the Telephone Company cannot verify the customer's originating and/or terminating PVU, the Telephone Company will request additional information to support the originating and/or terminating PVU, during this time no changes will be made to the existing originating and/or terminating PVU. The customer shall supply the requested additional information within 15 days of the Telephone Company's request or no changes will be made to the existing originating and/or terminating PVU. If after review of the additional information, the customer and the Telephone Company establish a revised and mutually agreed upon originating and/or terminating PVU factor, the Telephone Company will begin using the new factor(s) with the next bill period.

If the dispute is unresolved, the customer may request that verification audits be conducted by an independent auditor, at customer's sole expense. During the audit, the most recent undisputed originating and/or terminating PVU factor will be used by the Telephone Company.

- (5) If the customer does not supply sufficient supporting documentation, the Company will not accept or apply a customer supplied originating and/or terminating PVU factors greater than the applicable State percentage as identified in Paragraph 963 of the FCC Order.

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1. Access Service (Cont'd)

1.1 General (Cont'd)

1.1.1 Identification and Rating of Terminating Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic (Cont'd)

(D) PVU Factor Updates¹

The customer may update the PVU factor(s) quarterly using the method set forth in subsection (C), above. If the customer chooses to submit such updates, it shall forward to the Telephone Company, no later than 5 days after the first day of January, April, July and/or October of each year a revised PVU factor and supporting documentation based on data for the prior three months, ending the last day of December, March, June and September, respectively. Once verified by the Telephone Company the revised PVU factor will apply prospectively and serve as the basis for billing until superseded by a new verified factor.

¹ A terminating PVU factor will not be necessary as long as the Company's intrastate terminating switched access rates are at parity with its interstate terminating switched access rates.

ACCESS SERVICE1. Access Service (Cont'd)1.2 Switched Access Service

	<u>Rate</u>	<u>NECA Tariff Section Reference</u>
A. <u>Nonrecurring Charges</u>		
1. <u>Reserved for Future Use</u>		
2. <u>Reserved for Future Use</u>		
3. <u>Interim NXX Translation Per Order</u>		
Per LATA or Market Area	\$ 136.00	6.4.1(B)(2)
4. <u>Service Order</u>		
Per ASR or order	\$ 28.99	
5. <u>Reserved for Future Use</u>		
6. <u>Reserved for Future Use</u>		

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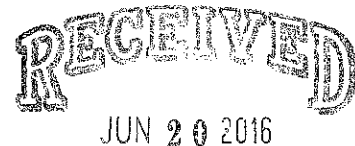
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1.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

	<u>Rate</u>	<u>NECA Tariff Section Reference</u>
B. <u>Local Transport Premium Access</u>		
1. <u>Reserved for Future Use</u>		
2. <u>Reserved for Future Use</u>		
3. <u>Tandem Switched Transport</u>		6.1.3(A)(3)
<u>Tandem Switched Termination</u>		
<u>AT&T Areas</u>		
Per Originating Access Minute		
Per Termination	\$0.000109	
Per Terminating Access Minute		
Per Termination	\$*	(C)
<u>Frontier North Areas</u>		
Per Originating Access Minute		
Per Termination	\$0.000000	
Per Terminating Access Minute		
Per Termination	\$*	(C)
<u>Frontier (Citizens) Areas</u>		
Per Originating Access Minute		
Per Termination	\$0.000556	
Per Terminating Access Minute		
Per Termination	\$*	(C)

* * Company concurs with the rates for each element as set forth in Section 17, Rates and Charges, of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, https://www.neca.org/Tariff_5.aspx. This tariff is on file with the Federal Communications Commission.

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B. <u>Local Transport Premium Access</u> (Cont'd)		6.1.3(A)(3)
3. <u>Tandem Switched Transport</u> (Cont'd)		
<u>Tandem Switched Facility</u>		
<u>AT&T Areas</u>		
Per Originating Access Minute		
Per Mile	\$0.000014	
Per Terminating Access Minute		
Per Mile	\$*	(C)
<u>Frontier North Areas</u>		
Per Originating Access Minute		
Per Mile	\$0.000002	
Per Terminating Access Minute		
Per Mile	\$*	(C)
<u>Frontier (Citizens) Areas</u>		
Per Originating Access Minute		
Per Mile	\$0.000050	
Per Terminating Access Minute		
Per Mile	\$*	(C)
4. <u>Reserved for Future Use</u>		

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	<u>Rate</u>	<u>NECA Tariff Section Reference</u>	
B. <u>Local Transport Premium Access (Cont'd)</u>			
5. <u>800 Data Base Access Service Queries</u>		6.10.3(D)	
Per Query			
Basic Rate	\$*		(C)
Vertical Feature	\$*		(C)
6. <u>Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic</u>			
	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u>	
- <u>Local Switching</u>			
<u>AT&T Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
Per Terminating Access Minute	\$*	1.1.1	
<u>Frontier North Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute	\$*	1.1.1	
Per Terminating Access Minute	\$*	1.1.1	
<u>Frontier (Citizens) Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute	\$*	1.1.1	
Per Terminating Access Minute	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
- <u>Information Surcharge</u>			
<u>AT&T Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute	\$0.0000000	1.1.1	
Per Terminating Access Minute	\$0.0000000	1.1.1	
<u>Frontier North Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute	\$0.0000000	1.1.1	
Per Terminating Access Minute	\$0.0000000	1.1.1	
<u>Frontier (Citizens) Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute	\$0.0000000	1.1.1	
Per Terminating Access Minute	\$0.0000000	1.1.1	

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1.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

B. Local Transport Premium Access (Cont'd)

	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u>	
6. <u>Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic</u> (Cont'd)			
- <u>Tandem Switched Transport</u>			
<u>Tandem Switched Facility</u>			
<u>AT&T Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute, Per Mile	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
Per Terminating Access Minute, Per Mile	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
<u>Frontier North Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute, Per Mile	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
Per Terminating Access Minute, Per Mile	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
<u>Frontier (Citizens) Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute, Per Mile	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
Per Terminating Access Minute, Per Mile	\$*	1.1.1	(C)

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B. Local Transport Premium Access (Cont'd)

	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Tariff Section Reference</u>	
6. <u>Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic (Cont'd)</u>			
- <u>Tandem Switched Transport</u>			
<u>Tandem Switched Termination</u>			
<u>AT&T Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute,			
Per Termination	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
Per Terminating Access Minute,			
Per Termination	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
<u>Frontier North Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute,			
Per Termination	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
Per Terminating Access Minute,			
Per Termination	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
<u>Frontier (Citizens) Areas</u>			
Per Originating Access Minute,			
Per Termination	\$*	1.1.1	(C)
Per Terminating Access Minute,			
Per Termination	\$*	1.1.1	(C)

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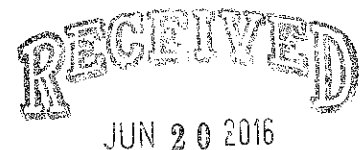
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1.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

	<u>Rate</u>	<u>NECA Tariff Section Reference</u>
C. <u>End Office Premium Access</u>		
1. <u>Local Switching</u>		6.1.3(B)(1)
<u>AT&T Areas</u>		
Per Originating Access Minute	\$0.0031160	
Per Terminating Access Minute	\$*	(C)
<u>Frontier North Areas</u>		
Per Originating Access Minute	\$0.0019653	
Per Terminating Access Minute	\$*	(C)
<u>Frontier (Citizens) Areas</u>		
Per Originating Access Minute	\$0.0064100	
Per Terminating Access Minute	\$*	(C)

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	<u>Rate</u>	<u>NECA Tariff Section Reference</u>
D. <u>Information Surcharge</u>		
<u>Premium Access</u>		6.1.3(B)(2)
Per 100 Access Minutes		
<u>AT&T Areas</u>		
- Originating	\$0.000000	
- Terminating	\$0.000000	
<u>Frontier North Areas</u>		
- Originating	\$0.000000	
- Terminating	\$0.000000	
<u>Frontier (Citizens) Areas</u>		
- Originating	\$0.000395	
- Terminating	\$0.000000	
E. <u>Reserved For Future Use</u>		
F. <u>Operator Transfer Service</u>		
Per Call Transferred	\$0.4588	6.1.3(C)(2)

ACCESS SERVICE1. Access Service (Cont'd)1.3 Special Access Service

A. Non-Recurring Charges

Description	DS1	DS3	NECA Tariff
			Section Reference
Access Service Order Charge	\$50.00	\$50.00	5.4.1
Design Charge	\$144.00	\$400.00	7.2.2(C)
Customer Connection Charge	\$213.00	\$750.00	7.2.2(C)

B. DS1 - Special Access

Description	MTM	12	24	36	60	NECA
		Month	Month	Month	Month	Tariff Section Reference
Channel Termination (Per Termination)	\$319.50	\$238.50	\$175.50	\$144.00	\$126.00	7.2.1(A)
Channel Mileage Termination (Per Termination)	\$98.90	\$67.50	\$58.50	\$56.70	\$49.50	7.2.1(B)
Channel Mileage Facility (Per Mile)	\$33.30	\$22.50	\$18.23	\$15.30	\$13.50	7.2.1(B)

C. DS3 - Special Access

Description	MTM	12	24	36	60	NECA
		Month	Month	Month	Month	Tariff Section Reference
Channel Termination (Per Termination)	\$4,005.00	\$2,524.50	\$1,737.00	\$1,213.20	\$974.70	7.2.1(A)
Channel Mileage Termination (Per Termination)	\$495.00	\$301.20	\$283.50	\$269.50	\$253.64	7.2.1(B)
Channel Mileage Facility (Per Mile)	\$144.00	\$92.91	\$87.30	\$83.12	\$78.24	7.2.1(B)