
SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS

Access Lines – A telephone facility which permits access to and from both the Customer's premises and the telephone exchange or serving central office.

Adjacent Exchange Service – Local exchange service furnished from a contiguous exchange, in addition to the customer's primary (home) exchange service.

Advance Payment – A payment required before the start of service.

Authorized User - A person, firm, corporation or other entity who is authorized by the Customer to be connected to the service of the Customer under the terms and regulations of this tariff.

Available Usage Balance - The amount of usage remaining on a Debit Account at any particular point in time. Each Debit Account begins with an initial usage amount, which is depleted as services provided by the Company are utilized by the Customer.

Business Service - A switched network service that provides for dial station communications that is described as a business or commercial rate.

Business Customer - A Business Customer is a Customer who subscribes to the Company's Service(s) and whose primary use of the Service is of a business, professional, institutional, or otherwise occupational nature.

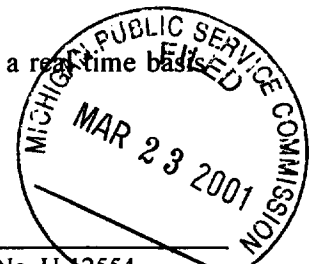
Central Office – A switching unit in a telephone system which provides service to the general public, having the necessary equipment and operating arrangements for terminating and interconnecting Customer lines and trunks or trunks only. There may be more than one central office in a building or exchange.

Company - Used throughout this tariff to refer to TDS METROCOM, unless otherwise clearly indicated by the context.

Contiguous Property – Contiguous property is defined as plot of ground, together with any buildings thereon, occupied by the Customer; which is not separated by public thoroughfares or by property occupied by others.

Contract – The agreement between a Customer and the Company under which service and facilities are furnished in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Tariffs.

Debit Account - An account which consists of a pre-paid usage balance depleted on a real-time basis during each Debit Service Call.



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End Office – Denotes the LEC switching system office or service wire center where Customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and/or to trunks.

End User - Any person, firm, corporation, partnership or other entity which uses the services of the Company under the provisions and regulations of this tariff. The End User is responsible for payment unless the charges for the services utilized are accepted and paid by another Customer.

FCC Subscriber Line Charge – The charge imposed by the FCC to cover the costs of providing local access. Also known as the End User Common Line Charge (EUCL). The rates are different for single and multi-line customers.

Exchange – One or more contiguous central offices and all associated facilities within a geographic area in which local exchange telecommunication services are offered.

Holidays - Holidays observed by the Company as specified in this tariff.

LATA - Means the local access and transport area as defined in *United States v American Telephone and Telegraph Co., 569 F.Supp. 990 (D.D.C. 1983)*.

Personal Account Code - A pre-defined series of numbers to be dialed by the Customer or Authorized User upon access to the Carrier's network which identifies the Debit Account from which charges for service shall be debited and which validates the caller's authorization to use the services provided.

Point of Demarcation – The point where Company network services, usually a Network Interface Device (NID), or facilities terminate and the Company's responsibility for installing and maintaining such services or facilities ends.

Premises – The buildings, portion of portions of a building on continuous property used and/or occupied at one time by the customer in the conduct of their business or as a residence. Where floor space in adjoining buildings is made continuous at one or more floor levels, all floor space in both buildings is considered as the same premises insofar as the customer who uses and occupies such continuous floor space is concerned, the two buildings otherwise being considered as separate buildings.

Renewal - A method of replenishing a Debit Account's Available Usage Balance with additional minutes of use as authorized and paid for by the Customer.



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Residential Customer - A Residential Customer is a person to whom telecommunications services are furnished predominantly for personal or domestic purposes at the person's dwelling.

Service Area - The area in which the Company provides service as identified in Section 5.1 of this tariff.

Service Wire Center - A serving wire center denotes the wire center from which the Customer designated premises would normally obtain dial tone from the Company.

Switched Access - A method for reaching the Company through the local switched network whereby the End User uses standard business or residential local lines.

Tariff - The rates, charges, rules and regulations adopted and filed by the Company with the Public Service Commission.

Voice Grade Facility - A communications path between two points comprised of any form or configuration of physical plant capable of and typically used in the telecommunications industry for transmission within the frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hertz.

