SECTION 6 - ACCESS SERVICE

6.1 Number Portability Service

Number Portability Service applies to an interconnection arrangement between the Company and the Connecting Company. This service enables the Connecting Company to provide basic local exchange service within the State of Michigan to a given customer(s) that wish to retain their telephone number(s), assigned by the Company. The Connecting Company may choose from two options:

- 1. Direct Inward Dial (DID)
- 2. Remote Call Forwarded (RCF)
- Direct Inward Dial

Direct Inward Dial (DID) option for number portability is a service which permits incoming dialed calls to a telephone number, assigned to the Company, to be forwarded to a Connecting Company end office over Direct Inward Dial (DID) facilities. The Company will deliver the called number to the Connecting Company via the Connecting Company-provided trunk for call completion.

Remote Call Forwarding

Remote Call Forwarding (RCF) option for number portability is a service which permits incoming dialed calls to a telephone number, assigned to the Company, to be forwarded to a Connecting Company end office, utilizing a call forwarding of the Company's end office switch.

6.1.1 Rules and Regulations

- a. Number Portability and facilities will only be provided, where technically feasible, subject to the availability of facilities and may only be furnished from properly equipped central offices. Number Portability services and facilities are not offered for the Company's Coin Telephone service.
- b. When the exchange service offering(s) associated with Number Portability services are provisioned using remote switch(es), Number Portability service is available from host central offices.

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6.1 Number Portability Service, Cont'd.

6.1.1 Rules and Regulations, Cont'd.

c. General regulations as depicted in the Company's' General Regulations Tariff, such as payments, deposits, adjustments, etc., apply to Number Portability services as appropriate.

6.1.2 Responsibility of the Connecting Company

- a. The Connecting Company shall exchange technical descriptions and forecasts of their traffic requirements in sufficient detail necessary to engineer, install, maintain, and administer the facilities subject to this arrangement.
- b. The Connecting Company is solely responsible to obtain authorization from the enduser for the handling of the disconnection of the end-user's service with the Company, the provision of service by the Connecting Company and the provision of Number Portability services. Should a dispute or discrepancy arise regarding the authority of the Connecting Company to act on behalf of the end-user, the Connecting Company is responsible for providing written evidence of its authority.
- c. The Connecting Company is responsible for coordinating the provisioning of the service with the Company to assure that its switch is capable of accepting Number Portability ported traffic.
- d. The Connecting Company is solely responsible to provide equipment and facilities that arc compatible with the Company's service parameters, interfaces, equipment and facilities. The Connecting Company is required to provide sufficient terminating facilities and services at the terminating end of a Number Portability call to adequately handle all traffic to that location and is solely responsible to ensure that its facilities, equipment and services do not interfere with or impair any facility, equipment or service of the Company or any of its end-users.

The Connecting Company is responsible for providing an appropriate intercept announcement service for any telephone number subscribed to Number Portability services for which it is not presently providing local exchange service.

Where the Connecting Company chooses to discounced or terminate any Number Portability service, it is responsible for designating the preferred type of announcement to be provided by the Company at appropriate unregulated intercept rates, if applicable.



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6.1.2 Responsibility of the Connecting Company, Cont'd.

- g. The Connecting Company is responsible for designating to the Company at the time of its initial service request for Number Portability services one of the following options with respect to Credit Card, Collect, third party, and other operator handled calls from or to Number Portability assigned telephone numbers:
 - (1) the Connecting Company may request that the Company block all such calls;
 - (2) the Connecting Company may accept billing from the Company for such calls;
 - (3) the Connecting Company may negotiate a separate agreement with the Company establishing the call handling, processing, billing and collection responsibilities of the parties.

6.1.3 Responsibility of the Company

The Company will make available notes and other information necessary describing the interoffice transmission and signaling procedures standard to the Company's network.

6.1.4 Rates and Charges

Each number ported to the Connecting Company will be charged as follows:

DID option	\$5.00	per number ported per month
RCF option	\$5.00	per number ported per month

No other charges will apply, except for collect, third party, or other operator-assisted calls to the remote telephone number, the Connecting Company is responsible for the payment of charges if the party at the number to which calls are forwarded accepts such calls.



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SECTION 6-A - INTRASTATE ACCESS SERVICES

6-A.1 Definitions

"Customer" – For purposes of this section, "Customer" shall mean any person or entity, including an interexchange carrier, which orders service under this section or who accepts or hands off telephone ealls for origination or completion by the Company, and is responsible for the payment of intrastate access charges.

"End User"- This term shall have the same meaning as set forth in this Tariff, Section 1.

"Intrastate Access Service" – Provides for a two-point eommunications path between a Customer's premises or a collocated interconnection location and an end user's premises for originating and terminating ealls within the state.

"Interexchange Carrier" or "(IXC)" – Denotes any person or entity engaged for hire in communication between two or more exchanges.

6-A.2 Service Description

Intrastate access service is provided for connection to intrastate communications facilities for intrastate Customers within the Company's service areas, and provides a two-point communications path between a Customer's premises or a collocated interconnection location and an end user's premises. Intrastate access service provides for the ability to originate calls from an end user's premises to a Customer's premises (or a collocated interconnection location), and to terminate calls from a Customer's premises (or a collocated interconnection location) to an end user's premises within this state.

6-A.3 Rates

The Company's following intrastate switched access service rate elements and charges are the same as the Company's interstate switched access service rate elements and charges in the Company's Tariff FCC No. 1.

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SECTION 6-A - INTRASTATE ACCESS SERVICES

6-A.3 Rates

6-A.3.1 Local Transport

(A) Entrance Facility, Per Termination

The monthly recurring rate charged by the Company is the current rate, based on the type of Switched Access Entrance Facility, at the Company's Tariff FCC No. 1, Section K, 1.1(C)

(B) Direct-Trunked Transport

Direct Trunked Facility, Per Mile

The monthly recurring rate charged by the Company is the current rate, based on the type of Switched Access Trunked Facility, at the Company's Tariff FCC No. 1, Section K, 1.1(D).

(C) Direct-Trunked Transport

Direct Trunked Termination, Per Termination

The monthly recurring rate charged by the Company is the current rate, based on the type of Switched Access Trunked Termination, at the Company's Tariff FCC No. 1, Section K, 1.1(E).

(D) Multiplexing, Per Arrangement

The monthly recurring rate charged by the Company is the current rate, based on the type of Switched Access Trunked Multiplexing, at the Company's Tariff FCC No. 1, Section K, 1.1(F).

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6-A.3 Rates

6-A.3.1 Local Transport (Cont'd)

(E) Tandem Switched Transport

- Tandem Switched Facility Per Access Minute Pcr Mile

- Tandem Switched Termination

Per Access Minute Per Termination

-Tandem Switching

Per Access Minute Per Tandem

The recurring rates charged by the Company are the current rates at the Company's Tariff FCC No. 1, Section K, 1.1(G).

(F) Customer Node, Per Node

The monthly recurring rate charged by the Company is the current rate, at the Company's Tariff FCC No. 1, Section K, 1.1(H).

(G) Customer Premises Port, Per Port

The monthly recurring rate charged by the Company is the eurrent rate at the Company's Tariff FCC No. 1, Section K, 1.1(I).

6-A.3.2 End Office

(A) Local Switching, Per Access Minute

The recurring rate charged by the Company is the current rate at the Company's Tariff FCC No. 1, Section K, 1.2(A).

(B) Information Surcharge, Per 100 Access Minutes

The recurring rate charged by the Company is the eurrent rate at the Company's Tariff FCC No. 1, Section K, 1.2(B).

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6-A.4 Chargeable Optional Features

Where facilities permit, the Company will, at the option of the Customer, provide the following chargeable optional features.

(a) 8YY Toll Free Database Access Service

8YY Toll Free Database Aecess Service is provided to all Customers in conjunction with FGD switched access service. The term "8YY Toll Free Database Service" denotes a toll-free originating Trnnk-side Access Service when the 8YY service Access Code (i.e. 800, 822, 833, 844, 855, 866, 877 or 888 as available) is used. When a 1+8YY+NXX-XXXX toll free call is originated by an end user, the Company will utilize the Signaling System 7 (SS7) network to query an 8YY Toll Free series database to identify the Customer to whom the call will be delivered and provide vertical features based on the dialed ten digits. The call will then be ronted to the identified Customer over FGD switched access.

An 8YY Database Query charge, as set forth below, is assessed for each query launched to the database which identifies the Customer to whom the call will be delivered. The Basic Query provides the identification of the Customer to whom the call will be delivered and includes area of service routing which allows routing of 8YY Toll Free series type calls by companies to different interexchange carriers based on the Local Access Transport Area (LATA) in which the call originates. The Vertical Feature Query provides the same Customer identification as the basic query and vertical features which may include: (1) call validation, (ensuring that calls originate from subscribed service areas); (2) POTS translation of 8YY Toll Free series numbers; (3) alternate POTS translation (which allows subscribers to vary the routing of 8YY Toll Free series type calls based on factors such as time of day, place or origination of the call, etc.); and (4) multiple carrier routing [which allows subscribers to route to different carriers based on factors similar to those in (3)].

8YY Database Access Service

Per query

\$0.011

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SECTION 6-B - LOCAL CALL TERMINATION SERVICE

6-B.1 General

This Section establishes an arrangement for the termination of local telecommunications traffic of other carriers on the Company's network, including intra-exchange Telecommunications traffic; traffic that originates and terminates in the same local calling area as specified in Section 9 of the Company's Tariff M.P.S.C. No. 1; Extended Area Service ("EAS") traffic; and traffic pursuant to Michigan Telecommunications Act ("MTA") Section 304(9), hereinafter referred to as Local Call Termination Service ("LCTS").

This Section is applicable to the provision of LCTS to Carriers within the State of Michigan. If an Interconnection Agreement exists between a Carrier and the Company, to the extent that the terms of this Section are inconsistent with the terms of the Agreement between the Company and the Carrier, the terms of such Agreement shall govern (except as otherwise provided in such Agreement).

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6-B.2 Regulations

- A. LCTS requires the use of Calling Party Number (CPN) when a call is setup using SS7 or ANI when the call is setup using other methods. Calls with the appropriate CPN/ANI for the provider's service area will be billed at the rate shown herein. Calls without the appropriate CPN/ANI will be billed as access.
- B. SS7 denotes the common channel out of band signaling protocol developed by the Consultative Committee for International Telephone and Telegraph (CCITT) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).
- C. Terminating access services are not allowed over facilities associated LCTS. If it is determined that the customer has routed terminating access services over facilities ordered for LCTS in violation of the above, the Company will charge the customers the higher of LCTS charges or terminating access charges for all the traffic routed over those facilities plus a penalty of up to three times the original charges.
- D. Charges for LCTS shall be on a per Interconnection Minntes basis.

6-B.3 Constructive Ordering of LCTS

In the event a Carrier with whom an Interconnection Agreement or other arrangements do not exist, directs local traffic to the Company for termination, such Carrier will be held to bave constructively ordered LCTS from the Company.

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6-B.4 Definitions Pertaining to Section

Carrier

A telecommunications carrier, other than the Company, that provides local exchange telecommunications services within the State of Michigan between one or more of its exchanges and an exchange of the Company.

Interconnection Minutes

For the purpose of calculating chargeable usage, the term "Interconnection Minutes" denotes eustomer usage of exchange facilities in the provision of local call termination service. For terminating local calls provided with Multi-Frequency Signaling, the measurement of interconnection minutes begins when the terminating first point of switching receives answer supervision from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered. This measurement ends when the terminating first point of switching receives disconnection supervision from either the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching. Interconnection minutes to an end office will be determined by the Company. For terminating local ealls with SS7 Signaling, usage measurement begins when the terminating recording switch receives answer supervision from the terminating end user. The Company switch receives answer supervision and sends the indication to the customer in the form of an answer message. The measurement of terminating local call usage ends when the entry switch receives or sends a release message, whichever occurs first. The telecommunications industry commonly refers to the above length of time as terminating conversation time.

6-B.5 Rates

LCTS Rate

Per interconnection minute:

\$0.004331

Other Charges

The charge for all other services required to provide LCTS shall be the same as charges for access services and are determined under the Company's Tariff, FCC No. 1, Access Service, K. Rates and Charges, excluding Section 1.2 (Local Switching), Section 2 (End User Federal Access Charge), and Section 3 (Universal Service Charge).

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