SECTION 5. SWITCHED ACCESS

II. Provision and Description of Switched Access Service Arrangements (Continued)

C. Rate Categories

The following categories apply to Switched Access Service. The Company may bill these categories of Switched Access Service on a per element basis or on a composite basis:

- 1. Carrier Common Line
- 2. Local Switching
- 3. 8XX Data Base Query
- 4. Switched Transport

The Company may bill these categories of Switched Access Service either on a per element basis or on a composite basis. Stand-alone Switched Transport Service is billed on a per element basis at the rates found in Section 5.VIII. Switched access services that include End Office functions are billed on a composite basis at the rates found in Section 5.VIII.

Two types of Composite Switched Access arrangements are available:

- 1. Tandem Switched Access: This composite applies when the customer has no direct facilities to the End Office. Traffic is routed to and from the End Office via the Access Tandem.
- 2. Direct Access: This composite applies when the Company or another service provider provides dedicated facilities between the customer's premises and the End Office. This transmission path is dedicated to the use of a single Customer. The Customer is responsible for providing such facilities itself or for negotiating such arrangements with possible suppliers. To the extent that the Company is able to provide such arrangements, the dedicated portion of Direct Connect Access would be provided on an Individual Case Basis.

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 - C. Rate Categories (Continued)
 - 2. Local Switching
 - a. End Office Switching: End Office Switching provides for the use of the Company End Office switching functions., i.e., the common switching functions associated with the various Switched Access Service arrangements. The End Office Switching rate is assessed on a per-MOU basis to all originating and terminating access minutes utilizing the end office.
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- b. End Office Shared Port: The End Office Shared Port rate provides for the termination of common transport trunks in shared end office ports and in remote switching system ports. The End Office Shared Port rate is assessed on a per-MOU basis to all trunkside originating and terminating access minutes utilizing tandem routing to the end office. If tandem routing is being utilized to a remote switching system (via a host office), the End Office Shared Port rate is assessed to the access minutes originating or terminating from the remote switching system.
- 3. <u>8XX Data Base Query</u>: When an 8XX + NXX + XXXX call is originated by an End User or delivered by a connecting carrier to the Onvoy network unqueried, the Company will perform Customer identification based on screening of the full ten-digits of the 8XX number to determine the Customer location to which the call is to be routed. A Basic Query Charge covers the identification of the toll carrier to whom the call should be delivered. A Vertical Query includes the Basic Query function plus such functions as call validation (ensuring that calls originate from subscriber service areas); POTS translation of 8XX series numbers; alternate POTS translation where End Users can vary the routing of the 8XX calls based on time of day, place, etc.; and multiple carrier routing.

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VIII. Rates and Charges (Continued)

Over 25 to 50 miles

Over 50 miles

B. <u>Switched Transport Service</u> (When Company provides stand alone Tandem Services)	
- Tandem Switching, Per Originating or Terminating Minute	\$0.007700
- Interconnection Charge, Per Originating or Terminating Minute	\$0.004681
- Tandem Switched Transport Termination, Per Originating or Terminating I	Minute
Over 0 to 8 miles	\$0.000237
Over 8 to 25 miles	\$0.000273
Over 25 to 50 miles	\$0.000308
Over 50 miles	\$0.000311
- Tandem Switched Transport Facility, Per Originating or Terminating Minu	ite Per Mile
Over 0 to 8 miles	\$0.000015
Over 8 to 25 miles	\$0.000018

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