6. Switched Access Service

6.1 General

Switched Access Service, which is available to customers for their use in furnishing their services to end users, provides a two-point communications path between a customer designated premises and an end user's premises. It provides for the use of common terminating, switching, and trunking facilities and for the use of common subscriber plant of the Telephone Company. Switched Access Service provides for the ability to originate calls from an end user's premises to a customer designated premises, and to terminate calls from a customer designated premises to an end user's premises in the LATA where it is provided. Specific references to material describing the elements of Switched Access Service are provided in 6.1.3 and 6.5 through 6.9 following.

Rates and charges for Switched Access Service are set forth in 17.2 following. The application of rates for Switched Access Service is described in 6.4 following. Rates and charges for services other than Switched Access Service, e.g., a customer's interLATA toll message service, may also be applicable when Switched Access Service is used in conjunction with these other services. Descriptions of such applicability are provided in 6.4.5, 6.5.1(H), 6.5.3, 6.6.1(G), 6.6.2(D), 6.7.1(F), and 6.8.1(E) following.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.1 Description and Provision of Switched Access Service Arrangements
 - (A) Description

Switched Access Service is provided in four different Feature Group arrangements which are service categories of standard and optional features. These are differentiated by their technical characteristics, e.g., line side vs. trunk side connection at the Telephone Company first point of switching. They are also differentiated by optional feature availability and the manner in which the end user accesses them in originating calling, e.g., with or without access codes of various lengths and digits.

The provision of each Feature Group requires Local Transport facilities and the appropriate End Office functions. In addition, Special Access Service may, at the option of the customer, be connected with Feature Groups A, B, C, or D at Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices.

There are three specific transmission specifications (i.e., Types A, B and C) that have been identified for the provision of Feature Groups. The specifications provided are dependent on the Interface Group and the routing of the service, i.e., whether the service is routed directly to the end office or via an access tandem. The parameters for the transmission specifications are set forth in 15.1.2 following.

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 - . 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.1 Description and Provision of Switched Access Service Arrangements (Cont'd)
 - (A) Description (Cont'd)

Feature Groups are arranged for either originating, terminating or two-way calling, based on the customer end office switching capacity ordered. Originating calling permits the delivery of calls from Telephone Exchange Service locations to the customer designated premises. Terminating calling permits the delivery of calls from the customer designated premises to Telephone Exchange Service locations. Two-way calling permits the delivery of calls in both directions, but not simultaneously. The Telephone Company will determine the type of calling to be provided unless the customer requests that a different type of directional calling is to be provided. In such cases, the Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine the directionality.

There are various optional features associated with Local Transport, Common Switching and Transport Termination available with the Feature Groups. In addition, the Interim NXX Translation optional feature is available with Feature Group C and Feature Group D.

Detailed descriptions of each of the available Feature Groups are set forth in 6.5 through 6.9 following. Each Feature Group is described in terms of its specific physical characteristics and calling capabilities, the optional features available for use with it and the standard testing capabilities.

The Common Switching and Transport Termination optional features, which are described in 6.10 following, unless specifically stated otherwise, are available at all Telephone Company end office switches.

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 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.1 Description and Provision of Switched Access Service Arrangements (Cont'd)
 - (B) Manner of Provision

Switched Access is furnished in either quantities of lines or trunks, or in busy hour minutes of capacity (BHMCs). FGA Access and FGB Access are furnished on a per-line or per-trunk basis respectively. FGC Access and FGD Access are furnished on a BHMC basis. FGD may also be provided to customers other than MTS/WATS providers on a per trunk basis as set forth in 5.2 preceding.

BHMCs are differentiated by type and directionality of traffic carried over a Switched Access Service arrangement. Differentiation of traffic among BHMC types is necessary for the Telephone Company to properly design Switched Access Service to meet the traffic carrying capacity requirement of the customer.

There are two major BHMC categories identified as: Originating and Terminating. Originating BHMCs represent access capacity within a LATA for carrying traffic from the end user to the customer; Terminating BHMCs represent access capacity within a LATA for carrying traffic from the customer to the end user. When ordering capacity for FGC Access or FGD Access in BHMCs, the customer must at a minimum specify such access capacity in terms of Originating BHMCs and/or Terminating BHMCs.

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6.1.1 <u>Description and Provision of Switched Access Service Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)

(B) Manner of Provision (Cont'd)

Because some customers will wish to further segregate their originating traffic into separate trunk groups, or because segregation may be required by network considerations originating BHMCs are further categorized into Domestic, 8XX, 9XX, Operator and IDDD. Domestic BHMCs represent access capacity for carrying only domestic traffic other than 8XX, 9XX, and Operator traffic; IDDD BHMCs represent access capacity for carrying only international traffic; and, 8XX, 9XX and Operator BHMCs represent access capacity for carrying, respectively, only 8XX, 9XX or Operator traffic. When ordering such types of access capacity, the customer must specify Domestic, 8XX, 9XX, Operator or IDDD BHMCs.

6.1.2 Ordering Options and Conditions

Switched Access Service is ordered under the Access Order provisions set forth in 5.2 preceding. Also, included in that section are regulations concerning miscellaneous service order charges which may be associated with Switched Access Service ordering (e.g., Service Date Changes, Cancellations, etc.).

6.1.3 Rate Categories

There are four rate categories which apply to all Switched Access Service:

- (A) Local Transport (described in 6.1.3(A) following)
- (B) End Office (described in 6.1.3(B) following)
- (C) Chargeable Optional Features (described in 6.1.3(C) following)
- (D) Common Line (described in Section 3, preceding)

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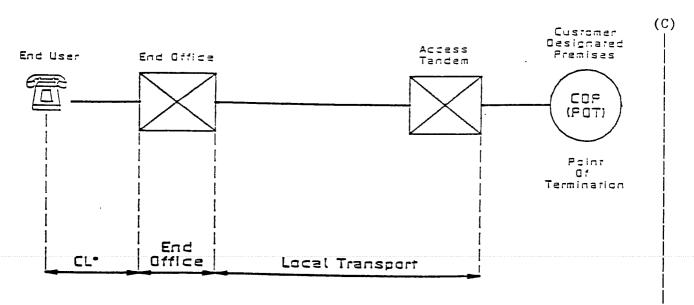
6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

The following diagram depicts a generic view of the components of Switched Access Service and the manner in which the components are combined to provide a complete Access Service. The various elements or categories following make up the traffic sensitive rate elements found in Section 17.2 following.

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DIAGRAM

Switched Access Service



• Common Line Access Service is provided under Section 3. Preceding.

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 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) Local Transport

The Local Transport category establishes the charges related to the transmission and tandem switching facilities between the customer designated premises and the end office switch(es) where the customer's traffic is switched to originate or terminate the customer's communications.

Local Transport is a two-way voice frequency trans-mission path composed of facilities determined by the Telephone Company. The two-way voice frequency transmission path permits the transport of calls in the originating direction (from the end user end office switch to the customer designated premises) and in the terminating direction (from the customer designated premises to the end office switch), but not simultaneously. The voice frequency transmission path may be comprised of any form or configuration of plant capable of and typically used in the telecommunications industry for the transmission of voice and associated telephone signals within the frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hz.

The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer in determining (1) whether the service is to be directly routed to an end office switch or through an access tandem switch, and (2) the directionality of the service. Unless otherwise ordered by the PUC, where the Telephone Company elects to provide equal access through a centralized equal access arrangement, the Telephone Company will designate the serving wire center. The designated SWC will normally be that wire center which provides dial

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 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

tone to the Telephone Company designated centralized Equal Access tandem office. When service is provided in cooperation with a non-telephone company provider of centralized Equal Access, the SWC will be that wire center which would normally provide dial tone to the Telephone Company point of interconnection with the non-telephone company provider of centralized Equal Access specified in the tariff of the centralized Equal Access provider.

Local transport is provided as Tandem Switched Transport, which consists of a Tandem Switching rate, a Tandem Switched Facility rate, and a Tandem Switched Termination rate.

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- (1) The Tandem Switching rate recovers a portion of the costs of switching traffic through an access tandem. The Tandem Switching rate specified in 17.2.4 following is applied on a per access minute per tandem basis for minutes of use switched at the tandem. Tandem locations are identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4, WIRE CENTER INFORMATION.
- (2) The Tandem Switched Facility rate recovers a portion of the costs of transmission facilities, including intermediate transmission circuit equipment, between the end points of interoffice circuits. The Tandem Switched Facility rate specified in 17.2.4 following is applied on a per access minute per mile basis for the minutes of use routed over the facility. The Tandem Switched Termination rate recovers a portion of the costs of circuit equipment necessary for the termination of each end of each measured segment of the Tandem Switched Facility.
- (3) The Tandem Switched Termination rate specified in 17.2.4 following is applied on a per access minute basis (for the minutes of use routed over the facility) at each end of each measured segment of Tandem Switched Facility (e.g., at the end office, Feature Group A dial tone office, host office and the access tandem). When the Tandem Switched Facility mileage is zero, neither the Tandem Switched Facility rate nor the Tandem Switched Termination rate will apply

The Telephone Company specific rates for the Tandem Switched Transport rate elements is specified in Section 17.2.4, following.

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 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

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 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) Local Transport (Cont'd)

Local Transport will also apply if the IC serving wire center and the end user serving wire center are collocated. Local Transport will apply to each minute of use for Switched Access Service.

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The application of these rates with respect to individual Feature Groups is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following.

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 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) Local Transport (Cont'd)
 - (1) Interface Groups

Ten Interface Groups are provided for terminating the Local Transport at the customer's designated premises. Technical specifications concerning the available interface groups are set forth in 15.1 following.

(2) Nonchargeable Optional Features

Where transmission facilities permit, the individual transmission path between the customer's designated premises and the first point of switching may, at the option of the customer, be provided with the following optional features as set forth and described in 15.1.1(E) following.

- Supervisory Signaling
- Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level
- Customer Specification of Local Transport Termination

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 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office

The End Office category establishes the charges related to the local end office switching and end user termination functions necessary to complete the transmission of Switched Access communications to and from the end users served by the local end office. The End Office category includes the Local Switching and Information Surcharge rate categories.

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 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office (Cont'd)
 - (1) Local Switching

The Local Switching category establishes the charges related to the use of end office switching equipment, the terminations in the end office of end user lines, and the terminations of calls at Telephone Company Intercept Operators or recordings.

Local Switching is applicable to:

- Feature Groups A, B, C and D,

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 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office (Cont'd)
 - (1) Local Switching (Cont'd)
 - Feature Groups A and B used for terminating inward WATS and WATS-type service at a WATS Serving Office.

Local Switching does not apply to Feature Groups B and D Switched Access Services associated with Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office.

Where end offices are appropriately equipped, international dialing may be provided as a capability associated with Local Switching which provides local dial switching for Feature Groups C and D. International dialing provides the capability of switching international calls with service prefix and address codes having more digits than are capable of being switched through a standard FGC or FGD equipped end office.

Rates for Local Switching are included in traffic sensitive rates as set forth in 17.2.2 following. The application of these rates with respect to individual Feature Groups is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following.

There are three types of functions included in the Local Switching category: Common Switching, Line Termination and Intercept. These are described in (a) through (d) following.

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 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office (Cont'd)
 - (1) Local Switching (Cont'd)
 - (a) Common Switching

Common Switching provides the local end office switching functions associated with the various access (i.e., Feature Group) switching arrangements. The Common Switching arrangements provided for the various Feature Group arrangements are described in 6.5 through 6.8 following.

Included as part of Common Switching are various nonchargeable optional features which the customer can order to meet the customer's specific communications requirements. These optional features are described in 6.10.1 following.

(b) Transport Termination

Transport Termination functions provide for the line or trunk side arrangements which terminate the Local Transport facilities. Included as part of these functions are various nonchargeable optional termination arrangements. These optional terminating arrangements are described in 6.10.2 following.

The number of Transport Terminations provided will be determined by the Telephone Company as set forth in 6.2.5 following.

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 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office (Cont'd)
 - (1) Local Switching (Cont'd)
 - (c) Line Termination

Line Termination provides for the terminations of end user lines in the local end office.

- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office (Cont'd)
 - (1) Local Switching (Cont'd)
 - (d) Intercept

The Intercept function provides for the termination of a call at a Telephone Company Intercept operator or recording. The operator or recording tells a caller why a call, as dialed, could not be completed, and if possible, provides the correct number.

(2) <u>Information Surcharge</u>

The Information Surcharge element is assessed to a customer based on the total number of access minutes. Information Surcharge rates are included in switched access rates as set forth in 17.2 following. The application of these rates with respect to individual Feature Groups is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following.

The Information Surcharge does not apply to Feature Groups B and D Switched Access Services associated with Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs) directly interconnected to a Telephone company access tandem office.

The number of end office switching transmission paths will be determined as set forth in 6.2.5 following.

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 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (C) Chargeable Optional Features

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

(1) Interim NXX Translation

The Interim NXX Translation rate element provides for customer identification when calls are dialed directly by end users in the 1+SAC+NXX-XXXX (e.g., 1+8XX+NXX+XXXX) format. The NXX codes are assigned to specific customers in conformance with the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). NXX code assignment(s) will be made by the Bellcore NANP Coordinator. The Telephone Company will use the NXX code to identify the customer to whose point of termination the traffic is to be delivered, (i.e., at appropriately equipped electronic end offices, access tandems or through contracted arrangements with other parties.) It is then the responsibility of the customer to do any further translation the customer deems necessary to route the call. Customer assigned NXX codes which have not been ordered will be blocked.

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(C) Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)

(1) Interim NXX Translation (Cont'd)

A nonrecurring charge, as set forth in 17.2.1 following, is associated with this optional feature. This nonrecurring charge is assessed by the Telephone Company on a per order, per LATA or Market Area basis and is applied in lieu of the Access Order Charge specified in 17.4.1(A) following. The nonrecurring charge is assessed only by the Telephone Company that provides the final translation function. A Telephone Company is said to have provided the final Interim NXX Translation when its translation identifies the customer's traffic and this traffic is then delivered to the customer's point of termination without any further translation. The description and application of this charge with respect to Feature Group C and Feature Group D is as set forth in 6.4.1(B)(2) and 6.4.1(C) following.

6.1.4 Special Facilities Routing

Any customer may request that the facilities used to provide Switched Access Service be specially routed. The regulations for Special Facilities Routing (i.e., Avoidance, Diversity and Cable-Only) are set forth in Section 11. following.

6.1.5 Design Layout Report

At the request of the customer, the Telephone Company will provide to the customer the makeup of the facilities and services provided from the customer's premises to the first point of switching. This information will be provided in the form of a Design Layout Report. The Design Layout Report will be provided to the customer at no charge, and will be reissued or updated whenever these facilities are materially changed.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.6 8XX Data Base Query Service Charge Determination

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A Basic or Vertical Feature Query charge, as set forth in 17.2.2 following, is assessed for each query launched to the data base 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 8XX calls by telephone 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 8XX numbers; (3) alternate POTS translation (which allows subscribers to vary the routing of 8XX calls based on factors such as time of day, place or origination of the call, etc.); (4) multiple carrier routing (which allows subscribers to route to different carriers based on factors similar to those in (3).

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6.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company

In addition to the obligations of the Telephone Company set forth in Section 2. preceding, the Telephone Company has certain other obligations concerning only the provision of Switched Access Service. These obligations are as follows:

6.2.1 Network Management

The Telephone Company will administer its network to insure the provision of acceptable service levels to all telecommunications users of the Telephone Company's network services. Generally, service levels are considered acceptable only when both end users and customers are able to establish connections with little or no delay encountered within the Telephone Company network. The Telephone Company maintains the right to apply protective controls, i.e., those actions, such as call gapping, which selectively cancel the completion of traffic, over any traffic carried over its network, including that associated with a customer's Switched Access Service. Generally, such protective measures would only be taken as a result of occurrences such as failure or overload of Telephone Company or customer facilities, natural disasters, mass calling or national security demands. In the event that the protective controls applied by the Telephone Company result in the complete loss of service by the customer, the customer will be granted a Credit Allowance for Service Interruption as set forth in 2.4.4(B)(3) preceding.

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6.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

6.2.2 Transmission Specifications

Each Switched Access Service transmission path is provided with standard transmission specifications. There are three different standard specifications (Types A, B and C). The standard for a particular transmission path is dependent on the Feature Group, the Interface Group and whether the service is directly routed or via an access tandem. The available transmission specifications are set forth in 15.1.2 following. Data Transmission Parameters are also provided with each Switched Access Service transmission path. The Telephone Company will, upon notification by the customer that the data parameters set forth in 15.1.3 following are not being met, conduct tests independently or in cooperation with the customer, and take any necessary action to insure that the data parameters are met.

The Telephone Company will maintain existing transmission specifications on functioning service configurations installed prior to May 25, 1984, except that service configurations having performance specifications exceeding the standards set forth in 15.1.2 following will be maintained at the performance levels specified.

The transmission specifications concerning Switched Access Service are limits which, when exceeded, may require the immediate corrective action of the Telephone Company. The transmission specifications are set forth in 15.1.2 following. Acceptance limits are set forth in Technical Reference TR-NPL-000334. This Technical Reference also provides the basis for determining Switched Access Service maintenance limits.

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6.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

6.2.3 Provision of Service Performance Data

Subject to availability, end-to-end service performance data available to the Telephone Company through its own service evaluation routines, may also be made available to the customer based on previously arranged intervals and format. These data provide information on overall end-to-end call completion and non-completion performance, e.g., customer equipment blockage, failure results and transmission performance. These data do not include service performance data which are provided under other tariff sections, e.g., testing service results. If data are to be provided in other than paper format, the charges for such exchange will be determined on an individual case basis.

6.2.4 Testing

(A) Acceptance Testing

At no additional charge the Telephone Company will, at the customer's request, cooperatively test at the time of installation, the following parameters: loss, C-notched noise, C-message noise, 3-tone slope, d.c. continuity and operational signaling. When the Local Transport is provided with Interface Groups 2 through 10, and the Transport Termination is two-wire (i.e., there is a four-wire to two-wire conversion in Local Transport), balance parameters (equal level echo path loss) may also be tested.

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6.2.4 Testing (Cont'd)

(B) Routine Testing

At no additional charge, the Telephone Company will, at the customer's request, test after installation on an automatic or manual basis, 1004 Hz loss, C-message noise and Balance (Return Loss).

In the case of automatic testing, the customer shall provide remote office test lines and 105 test lines with associated responders or their functional equivalent.

The frequency of these tests will be that which is mutually agreed upon by the customer and the Telephone Company, but shall consist of not less than quarterly 1004 Hz Loss and C-message noise tests and an annual Balance test. Trunk test failures requiring customer participation for trouble resolution will be provided to the customer on an as-occurs basis.

Additional tests may be ordered as set forth in 13.3.1 following. Charges for these additional tests are set forth in 17.4.4 following.

- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)
 - 6.2.5 Determination of Number of Transmission Paths

For Feature Groups A and B, which are ordered on a per line or per trunk basis respectively, and Feature Group D when ordered on a per trunk basis by customers other than MTS/WATS providers, the customer specifies the number of transmission paths in the order for service.

The Telephone Company will determine the number of Switched Access Service transmission paths to be provided for the Switched Access Feature Group C and D busy hour minutes of capacity ordered. The number of transmission paths will be developed using the total busy hour minutes of capacity by type (as described in 6.1.1(B) preceding) for the end offices for each Feature Group ordered from a customer's designated premises. The total busy hour minutes of capacity by type (e.g., originating, terminating, IDDD, Operator) for the end office will be converted to transmission paths using standard Telephone Company traffic engineering methods. The number of transmission paths provided shall be the number required based on (1) the use of access tandem switches and end office switches, (2) the use of the end office switches only, or (3) the use of the tandem switches only.

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 - 6.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)
 - 6.2.6 Trunk Group Measurement Reports

Subject to availability, the Telephone Company will make available trunk group data in the form of usage in CCS, peg count and overflow, to the customer based on previously agreed to intervals.

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6.3 Obligations of the Customer

In addition to the obligations of the customer set forth in Section 2. preceding, the customer has certain specific obligations pertaining to the use of Switched Access Service. These obligations are as follows:

6.3.1 Report Requirements

Customers are responsible for providing the following reports to the Telephone Company, when applicable.

(A) Jurisdictional Reports

When a customer orders Switched Access Service for both interstate and intrastate use, the customer is responsible for providing reports as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding. Charges will be apportioned in accordance with those reports. The method to be used for determining the intrastate charges is set forth in 2.3.12 preceding.

(B) Code Screening Reports

When a customer orders service class routing, trunk access limitation or call gapping arrangements, it must report the number of trunks and/or the appropriate codes to be instituted in each end office or access tandem switch, for each of the arrangements ordered.

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6.3.2 Trunk Group Measurement Reports

With the agreement of the customer, trunk group data in the form of usage in CCS, peg count and overflow for its end of all access trunk groups, where technologically feasible, will be made available to the Telephone Company. These data will be used to monitor trunk group utilization and service performance and will be based on previously arranged intervals and format.

6.3.3 Supervisory Signaling

The customer's facilities shall provide the necessary on-hook, off-hook, answer and disconnect supervision.

Short Duration Mass Calling Requirements 6.3.4

When a customer offers service for which a substantial call volume is expected during a short period of time (e.g., 9XX service media stimulated events), the customer must notify the Telephone Company at least 48 hours in advance of each peak period. Notifications should include the nature, time, duration, and frequency of the event, an estimated call volume, and the telephone number(s) to be used.

On the basis of the information provided, the Telephone Company may invoke network management controls, (e.g., call gapping and code blocking) to reduce the probability of excessive network congestion. The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine the appropriate level of such control.

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6.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

6.3.5 Call Signaling

Depending on the signaling system used by the customer in its network, the customer's facilities shall transmit the following call signaling information to the Telephone Company on traffic the customer's end users originate which is handed off for termination on the Telephone Company's network.

(A) Signaling System 7 (SS7) Signaling

When the customer uses SS7 signaling, it will transmit the Calling Party Number (CPN) or, if different from the CPN, the Charge Number (CN) information in the SS7 signaling stream.

(B) Multi-Frequency (MF) Signaling

When the customer uses MF signaling, it will transmit the number of the calling party or, if different from the number of the calling party, the Charge Number (CN) information in the MF Automatic Number Identification (ANI) field.

(C) Internet Protocol (IP) Signaling

When the customer uses IP signaling, it will transmit the telephone number of the calling party or, if different from the telephone number, the billing number of the calling party.

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6.4 Rate Regulations

This section contains the specific regulations governing the rates and charges that apply for Switched Access Service.

6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges

There are two types of rates and charges that apply to Switched Access Service. These are usage rates and nonrecurring charges. These rates and charges are applied differently to the various rate elements as set forth in (C) following.

(A) <u>Usage Rates</u>

Usage rates for Switched Access Service are rates that apply on a per access minute basis when a specific rate element is used except for Network Blocking which is applied on a per call blocked basis beyond the blocking threshold. Access minute charges and network blocking charges are accumulated over a monthly period.

(B) Nonrecurring Charges

Nonrecurring charges are one-time charges that apply for a specific work activity (i.e., installation or change to an existing service). The types of nonrecurring charges that apply for Switched Access Service are: installation of service, Interim NXX Translation optional feature and service rearrangements. These charges, with the exception of the Interim NXX Translation optional feature, are in addition to the Access Order Charge as specified in 17.4.1(A) following.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (1) Installation of Service

Nonrecurring charges apply to each Switched Access Service installed. For FGA, which is ordered on a per line basis, and for FGB, FGC and FGD, which is ordered on a per trunk basis, the charge is applied on a per line or trunk basis respectively. For FGC and FGD, which are ordered on a busy hour minutes of capacity basis, the charge is also applied on a per trunk basis but the charge applies only when the capacity ordered requires the installation or activation of an additional trunk(s) which is uniquely identified for the sole use of the ordering customer.

(2) Interim NXX Translation Optional Feature

This nonrecurring charge applies to the initial order for the installation of the Interim NXX Translation optional feature with Feature Group C or Feature Group D Switched Access Service and for each subsequent order received to add or change NXX translation codes. This charge, if applicable, applies whether this optional feature is installed coincident with or at any time subsequent to the installation of Switched Access Services. This charge is applied by the Telephone Company per order, per LATA or Market Area. When it is necessary for multiple telephone companies to provide the translation function, the nonrecurring charge is assessed only by the Telephone Company that provides the final translation function which identifies the customer's traffic and this traffic is then delivered to the customer's point of termination without any further translation.

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 - 6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (3) Service Rearrangements

All changes to existing services other than changes involving administrative activities and the off-hook supervisory signaling of FGA Access Services, will be treated as a discontinuance of the existing service and an installation of a new service. The nonrecurring charge described in (1) preceding will apply for this work activity. Moves that change the physical location of the point of termination are described and charged for as set forth in 6.4.4 following.

If, due to technical limitations of the Telephone Company, a customer could not combine its Interim NXX traffic with its other trunk side Switched Access Services, no charge shall apply to combine these trunk groups when it becomes technically possible.

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6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

(B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

(3) Service Rearrangements (Cont'd)

Administrative changes will be made without charge(s) to the customer. Administrative changes are as follows:

- Change of customer name,
- Change of customer or customer's end user premises address when the change of address is not the result of a physical relocation of equipment,
- Change in billing date (name, address, or contact name or telephone number),
- Change of agency authorization,
- Change of customer circuit identification,
- Change of billing account number,
- Change of customer test line number,
- Change of customer or customer's end user contact name or telephone number, and
- Change of jurisdiction.

Changes and additions to existing Switched Access Services which are necessary due to Telephone Company initiated network reconfigurations, which are required to provide the same grade of service to the customer that existed prior to the reconfiguration, will be made without charge to the customer. Charges will apply to those changes and additions which are in excess of those required to provide the same grade of service and/or capacity. Grade of service will be as determined by industry standard engineering tables. Changes to the point in time when the off-hook supervisory signal is provided in the originating call sequence, i.e., when the off-hook supervisory signal is changed from being provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers to being forwarded by the customer's

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 - (3) Service Rearrangements (Cont'd)

equipment when the called party answers or vice versa, are subject to the Access Order Charge as set forth in 17.4.1(A) following.

For additions, changes or modifications to an optional feature which has a separate nonrecurring charge, that nonrecurring charge will apply.

For additions, changes or modifications to optional features that do not have their own separate nonrecurring charges, an Access Order Charge as set forth in 17.4.1(A) following will apply. When an optional feature is not required on each transmission path, but rather for an entire transmission path group, an end office or an access tandem switch, only one such charge will apply (i.e., it will not apply per transmission path).

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 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates

The following rules provide the basis for applying rates and charges:

(1) Rates

Access rates apply to all access minutes when the service is provided to customers which furnish intrastate MTS/WATS, and to access minutes that originate or terminate at a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) that is directly connected to a Telephone Company access tandem office.

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 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
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 - (4) Reserved For Future Use

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 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (5) Unmeasured FGA and FGB Access Services

Where originating and/or terminating measurement capability does not exist for Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Services provided to the first point of switching, the number of access minutes that will be assumed are as set forth following in 6.5.4 and 6.6.4 respectively.

(6) Notice of Equal Access Conversion

The Telephone 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 send, 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 all or part of the existing services to equal access (i.e., Feature Group D) or retaining the existing services. The conversion of existing services will be at no charge provided the order to convert such services to Feature Group D is received as set forth in 6.4.3 following.

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 - 6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (7) Reserved For Future Use

- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
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 - 6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
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 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.2 Minimum Monthly Charge

Switched Access Service is subject to a minimum monthly charge. The minimum charge applies for the total capacity provided. The minimum monthly charge is calculated as follows:

For the traffic sensitive rate element, the minimum monthly charge is the sum of the recurring charges set forth in 17.2.2 following for either the actual measured usage or the assumed usage prorated to the number of days or major fraction of days based on a 30 day month.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.3 Change of Switched Access Service Arrangements

Changes from one type of Feature Group to another will be treated as a discontinuance of one type of service and a start of another. Nonrecurring charges will apply, with one exception. When a customer upgrades a Feature Group A or B service to a Feature Group D service and when Feature Group C is upgraded to Feature Group D coincident with the availability of Feature Group D in an end office, the nonrecurring charges will not apply and minimum period obligations will not change, i.e., the time elapsed in the existing minimum period obligation will be credited to the minimum period obligations for FGD service, subject to the following limitations.

In order to avoid the imposition of nonrecurring charges a customer which is a participant in the presubscription allocation process (i.e., is on the presubscription ballot) must:

- submit its order to disconnect Feature Group A and/or B within 30 days after the date the results of the final allocation of customers in an end office are actually received by the customer, and
- make the effective date for disconnection of the Feature Group A and/or B Access Services no later than 60 days after the final allocation results are received by the customer.

A customer which is not a participant in the allocation process (i.e., is not on the presubscription ballot) is subject to the same rules preceding. The time frames for the non-participating customer(s) are the same as those which apply to the last customer to receive the results of the final allocation of customers in an end office who is a participant in the allocation process. For all other changes from one type of Feature Group to another, new minimum period obligations will be established.

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6.4.4 Moves

A move involves a change in the physical location of one of the following:

- The point of termination at the customer designated premises
- The customer designated premises

The charges for the move are dependent on whether the move is to a new location within the same building or to a different building.

(A) Moves Within the Same Building

When the move is to a new location within the same building, the charge for the move will be an amount equal to one half of the installation nonrecurring charge for the capacity affected. This charge is in addition to the Access Order Charge as specified in 17.4.1(A) following. There will be no change in the minimum period requirements.

(B) Moves to a Different Building

Moves to a different building will be treated as a discontinuance and start of service and all associated nonrecurring charges will apply. New minimum period requirements will be established for the new service. The customer will also remain responsible for satisfying all outstanding minimum period charges for the discontinued service.

6.4.5 Local Information Delivery Services

Calls over Switched Access Service in the terminating direction to certain community information services will be rated under the applicable rates for Switched Access Service as set forth in 17.2 following. In addition, the charges per call as specified under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs, e.g., 9XX (DIAL-IT) Network Services, will also apply.

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 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.6 Reserved For Future Use

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 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.7 Reserved For Future Use
 - 6.4.8 Reserved For Future Use

6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)

6.5.1 Description

- (A) FGA Access, which is available to all customers, provides line side access to Telephone Company end office switches with an associated seven digit local telephone number for the customer's use in originating communications from and terminating communications to an Interexchange Carrier's Intrastate Service or a customer provided intrastate communications capability. The customer must specify the Interexchange Carrier to which the FGA service is connected.
- (B) FGA switching is provided at all end office switches. At the option of the customer, FGA is provided on a single or multiple line group basis and is arranged for originating calling only, terminating calling only, or two-way calling which are specified by the customer's order for service.
- (C) FGA provides a line side termination at the first point of switching (dial tone office). The line side termination will be provided with either ground start supervisory signaling or loop start supervisory signaling. The type of signaling is at the option of the customer.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - (D) The Telephone Company shall select the first point of switching, within the selected LATA, at which the line side termination is to be provided.
 - (E) A seven digit local telephone number assigned by the Telephone Company is provided for access to FGA switching in the originating direction. The seven digit local telephone number will be associated with the selected end office switch and is of the form NXX-XXXX.

If the customer requests a specific seven digit telephone number that is not currently assigned, and the Telephone Company can, with reasonable effort, comply with that request, the requested number will be assigned to the customer.

(F) FGA switching, when used in the terminating direction, is arranged with dial tone start-dial signaling. When used in the terminating direction, FGA switching may, at the option of the customer, be arranged for dial pulse or dual tone multifrequency address signaling, subject to availability of equipment at the first point of switching. When FGA is provided in a hunt group or uniform call distribution arrangement, all FGA switching will be arranged for the same type of address signaling.

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 - 6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - (G) No address signaling is provided by the Telephone Company when FGA switching is used in the originating direction. Address signaling in such cases, if required by the customer, must be provided by the customer's end user using inband tone signaling techniques. Such inband tone address signals will not be regenerated by the Telephone Company and will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.
 - (H) FGA switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access valid NXXs in the LATA, local operator service (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 where available and 555-1212), emergency reporting service (911 where available), exchange telephone repair (611 where available), time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information service provider, and other customer's services (by dialing the appropriate digits).

Charges for FGA terminating calls requiring operator assistance or calls to 611 or 911 will only apply where sufficient call details are available. Additional non-access charges will also be billed on

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 - 6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
 - (H) (Cont'd)

a separate account for (1) an operator surcharge, as set forth in the local exchange tariffs, for local operator assistance (0- and 0+) calls, (2) calls to certain community information services, for which rates are applicable under Telephone Company exchange service tariffs, e.g., 9XX (DIAL-IT) Network Services, and, (3) calls from a FGA line to another customer's service in accordance with that customer's applicable service rates when the Telephone Company performs the billing function for that customer.

(I) When a FGA switching arrangement for an individual customer (a single line or entire hunt group) is discontinued at an end office, an intercept announcement is provided. This arrangement provides, for a limited period of time, an announcement that the service associated with the number dialed has been disconnected.

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 - 6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.2 Optional Features

Following are the various nonchargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group A. They are provided as traffic sensitive options.

(A) Common Switching Elements

Descriptions of the common switching optional features are set forth in 6.10 following.

- (1) Call Denial on Line or Hunt Group
- (2) Service Code Denial on Line or Hunt Group
- (3) Hunt Group Arrangement
- (4) Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement
- (5) Nonhunting Number for Use with Hunt Group or Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)

(B) Transport Termination Elements

- (1) Two-way operation with dial pulse address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
- (2) Two-way operation with dial pulse address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
- (3) Two-way operation with dial tone multifrequency address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
- (4) Two-way operation with dial tone multifrequency address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
- (5) Terminating operation with dial pulse address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
- (6) Terminating operation with dial pulse address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
- (7) Terminating operation with dual tone multifrequency address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
- (8) Terminating operation with dual tone multifrequency address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
- (9) Originating operation with loop start supervisory signaling
- (10) Originating operation with ground start supervisory signaling

(C) Local Transport Elements

- (1) Supervisory Signaling (as set forth in 15.1.1(E) following)
- (2) Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level (as set forth in 15.1.1(E) following)

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.3 Optional Features Provided In Local Tariffs

Certain other features which may be available in connection with Feature Group A (e.g., Speed Calling, Remote Call Forwarding, Bill Number Screening, IntraLATA extensions) are provided under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs.

6.5.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer Feature Group A traffic to end offices will be measured (i.e., recorded) or assumed by the Telephone Company at end office switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured (i.e., recorded) or assumed by the Telephone Company to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording systems outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

For terminating calls over FGA and for originating calls over FGA (when the off-hook supervisory signal is provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers), the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes. For originating calls over FGA (when the off-hook supervisory signal is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers), chargeable originating access minutes are derived from recorded minutes using the same formula as set forth in 6.7.4 following for Feature Group C.

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

For originating calls over FGA, usage measurement begins when the originating FGA first point of switching receives an off-hook supervisory signal forwarded from the customer's point of termination. This off-hook signal may be provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers, or forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers.

The measurement of originating call usage over FGA ends when the originating FGA first point of switching receives an on-hook supervisory signal from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

For terminating calls over FGA, usage measurement begins when the terminating FGA first point of switching receives an off-hook supervisory signal from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered. The measurement of terminating call usage over FGA ends when the terminating FGA first point of switching receives an on-hook supervisory signal 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.

FGA access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each line or hunt group, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each line or hunt group.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

Assumed minutes are used for FGA services which originate or terminate in end offices not equipped with measurement capabilities and in such cases are the chargeable access minutes.

Where originating and terminating measurement capability does not exist for Feature Group A provided to the first point of switching, the number of access minutes will be assumed as set forth in 6.5.4 following.

Where measurement capability exists for either originating or terminating usage, but not both, on a line arranged for two-way calling, the number of access minutes per line per month will be assumed usage, as set forth in 6.5.4 following, or the measured usage, whichever is greater. If the usage in the measured direction exceeds the assumed access minutes per line per month, no usage will be assigned in the unmeasured direction. If the measured usage is less than the assumed access minutes per line per month, the usage in the unmeasured direction will be the assumed usage, a set forth in 6.5.4 following, for that unmeasured direction except that the total of measured and assumed minutes in such instances will not exceed the total assumed usage designated for two-way calling set forth in 6.5.4 following. If the total exceeds the assumed minutes set forth in 6.5.4 following, the assumed minutes shall be reduced so that the total of measured and unmeasured minutes equals the assumed minutes for two-way calling set forth in 6.5.4 following.

Additionally, when the line is arranged for one-way calling and there is no measurement capability for that direction, assumed originating access minutes, as set forth in 6.5.4 following, will be assigned for originating calling only lines and assumed terminating access minutes, as set forth in 6.5.4 following, will be assigned for terminating calling only lines.

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

The following matrix illustrates the application of assumed access minutes for FGA.

Service Ordered As	Can Measure Originating	Can't Measure Originating	Can Measure Terminating	Can't Measure Terminating
Originating Only	Actual	1,510	N/A	N/A
Terminating Only	N/A	N/A	Actual	2,685
Both Originating and Terminating (originating measurement greater than 4195)	Actual	N/A	N/A	0
Both Originating and Terminating (originating measurement equal or less than 4195)	Actual	N/A	N/A	0 to 2685*
Both Originating and Terminating (terminating measurement greater than 4195)	N/A	0	Actual	N/A
Both Originating and Terminating	N/A	0 to 1510*	Actual	N/A
(terminating measurement equal or less than 4195)				

^{*} Sum of actual and assumed cannot exceed 4195. Reduce assumed minutes of use if necessary.

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6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)

6.5.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

Notwithstanding the preceding, when Feature Group A is used for the provision of WATS-type service where measurement capability exists at the WATS Serving Office but not at the Feature Group A first point of switching, the measured WATS-type originating and/or terminating minutes of use shall be separately summed and compared to their respective total assumed originating and/or terminating minutes of use. The number of access minutes per line per month will be the assumed or the measured usage, whichever is greater.

6.5.5 Testing Capabilities

FGA is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line and milliwatt (102 type) test line. In addition to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing and Additional Manual Testing are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

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 - 6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)
 - 6.6.1 Description
 - (A) FGB Access, which is available to all customers, provides trunk side access to Telephone Company end office switches with an associated uniform 950-XXXX or 950-XXXX access code. FGB trunk side access is provided for the customer's use in originating communications from and terminating communications to an Interexchange Carrier's Intrastate Service or a customer provided intrastate communications capability. The customer must specify the Interexchange Carrier to which the FGB service is connected.
 - (B) FGB, when directly routed to an end office (i.e., provided without the use of an access tandem switch), is provided at appropriately equipped Telephone Company electronic end office switches. When provided via Telephone Company designated electronic access tandem switches, FGB switching is provided at Telephone Company electronic and electromechanical end office switches.

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 - 6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) FGB is provided as trunk side switching through the use of end office or access tandem switch trunk equipment. The switch trunk equipment is provided with wink start start-pulsing signals and answer and disconnect supervisory signaling.
 - (D) FGB switching is provided with multifrequency address signaling in both the originating and terminating directions. Except for FGB switching provided with the automatic number identification (ANI) or rotary dial station signaling arrangements as set forth respectively in 6.10.1(F) and 6.10.2(A) following, any other address signaling in the originating direction, if required by the customer, must be provided by the customer's end user using inband tone signaling techniques. Such inband tone address signals will not be regenerated by the Telephone Company and will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.
 - (E) The access code for FGB switching is a uniform access code. The form of the uniform access code is 950-XXXX. A uniform access code(s) will be assigned to the customer for the customer's domestic communications and another will be assigned to the customer for its international communications, if required. These access codes will be the assigned access numbers of all FGB switched access service provided to the customer by the Telephone Company.
 - (F) The Telephone Company will establish a trunk group or groups for the customer at end offices switches or access tandem switches where FGB switching is ordered. When required by technical limitations, a separate trunk group will be established for each type of FGB switching arrangement provided. Different types of FGB or other switching arrangements may be combined in a single trunk group at the option of the Telephone Company.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - (G) FGB switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access valid NXXs in the LATA, time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information service provider and other customers' services (by dialing the appropriate digits). When directly routed to an end office, only those valid NXX codes served by that end office may be accessed. When routed through an access tandem, only those valid NXX codes served by end offices subtending the access tandem may be accessed.

The customer will also be billed additional non-access charges for calls to certain community information services for which rates are applicable under Telephone Company exchange services tariffs, e.g., 9XX (DIAL-IT) Network Service. Additionally, non-access charges will also be billed for calls from a FGB trunk to another customer's service in accordance with that customer's applicable service rates when the Telephone Company performs the billing function for that customer.

Calls in the terminating direction will not be completed to 950-XXXX access codes, local operator assistance (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 and 555-1212), service codes 600 and 911 or 101XXX access codes. FGB may not be switched, in the terminating direction, to Switched Access Service Feature Groups B, C and D.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - (H) When all FGB switching arrangements are discontinued at an end office and/or in a LATA, an intercept announcement is provided. This arrangement provides, for a limited period of time, an announcement that the service associated with the number dialed has been disconnected.
 - (I) Reserved For Future Use
 - (J) Reserved For Future Use
 - (K) For FGB switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer will be billed only the Local Transport element for the FGB usage.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.2 Optional Features

Following are descriptions of the various nonchargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group B. They are set forth in (A), (B) and (C) following and are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination and Local Transport elements. Additionally, other optional features provided in local tariffs are set forth in (D) following.

(A) Common Switching Element Options

Descriptions of the common switching element optional features are set forth in 6.10 following.

- (1) Automatic Number Identification (ANI)
- (2) $\frac{\text{Up to 7 Digit Outpulsing of Access Digits to}}{\text{Customer}}$

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (B) Transport Terminations Element Options
 - (1) Rotary Dial Station Signaling
 - (C) Local Transport Element Options
 - (1) Customer Specification of Local Transport Termination
 - (2) Optional Supervisory Signaling
 - (3) Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level

Inasmuch as these options concern transmission levels and signaling they are set forth in 15.1.1 following.

(D) Optional Features Provided In Local Tariffs

Another feature, Bill Number Screening, which may be available in connection with FGB, is provided under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)

6.6.3 Design and Traffic Routing

For Feature Group B, the trunk directionality and traffic routing of the Switched Access Service between the customer designated premises and the entry switch are determined by the customer's order for service; except the Telephone Company will designate the first point(s) of switching and routing to be used.

6.6.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer traffic to end offices will be measured (i.e., recorded) or assumed by the Telephone Company at end office switches or access tandem switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured (i.e., recorded) or assumed by the Telephone Company to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

For both originating and terminating calls over FGB, the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes.

For originating calls over FGB, usage measurement begins when the originating FGB first point of switching receives answer supervision forwarded from the customer's point of termination, indicating the customer's equipment has answered.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

The measurement of originating call usage over FGB ends when the originating FGB first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indication the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

For terminating calls over FGB, usage measurement begins when the terminating FGB first point of switching receives answer supervision from the terminating end user's office, indicating the terminating end user has answered.

The measurement of terminating call usage over FGB ends when the terminating FGB first point of switching receives disconnect 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.

FGB access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each end office, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each end office.

Assumed minutes are used for FGB services which originate or terminate in end offices not equipped with measurement capabilities and in such cases are the chargeable access minutes.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

Where originating and terminating measurement capability does not exist for Feature Group B provided to the first point of switching, the number of access minutes will be assumed, as set forth in 6.6.4 following, when the trunk is arranged for two-way calling.

Where measurement capability exists for either originating or terminating usage, but not both, on a trunk arranged for two-way calling, the number of access minutes per trunk per month will be assumed usage, as set forth in 6.6.4 following, or the measured usage, whichever is greater. If the usage in the measured direction exceeds the assumed access minutes per trunk per month, no usage will be assigned in the unmeasured direction. If the measured usage is less than the assumed access minutes per trunk per month, the usage in the unmeasured direction will be the assumed usage, as set forth in 6.6.4 following, for that unmeasured direction except that the total of measured and assumed minutes in such instances will not exceed the total assumed usage designated for two-way calling set forth in 6.6.4 following. If the total exceeds the assumed minutes set forth in 6.6.4 following, the assumed minutes shall be reduced so that the total of measured and unmeasured minutes equals the assumed minutes for two-way calling set forth in 6.6.4 following.

Additionally, when the trunk is arranged for one-way calling and there is not measurement capability for that direction, assumed originating access minutes, as set forth in 6.6.4 following, will be assigned for originating calling only lines and assumed terminating access minutes, as set forth in 6.6.4 following, will be assigned for terminating calling only lines.

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6. <u>Switched Access Service (Cont'd)</u>

6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)

6.6.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

The following matrix illustrates the application of assumed access minutes for FGB.

Service Ordered As	Can Measure Originating	Can't Measure Originating	Can Measure Terminating	Can't Measure Terminating
Originating Only	Actual	3,132	N/A	N/A
Terminating Only	N/A	N/A	Actual	5,568
Both Originating and Terminating (originating measurement greater than 8700)	Actual	N/A	N/A	0
Both Originating and Terminating (originating measurement equal or less than 8700)	Actual	N/A	Actual	0 to 5568*
Both Originating and Terminating (terminating measurement greater than 8700)	N/A	0	Actual	N/A
Both Originating and Terminating	N/A	0 to 3132*	Actual	N/A
(terminating measurement equal or less than 8700)			•	

^{*} Sum of actual and assumed cannot exceed 8700. Reduce assumed minutes of use if necessary.

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 - 6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

Notwithstanding the preceding, when Feature Group B is used for the provision of WATS or WATS-type service where measurement capability exists at the WATS Serving Office but not at the Feature Group B first point of switching, the measured WATS or WATS-type originating and/or terminating minutes of use shall be separately summed and compared to their respective total assumed originating and/or terminating minutes of use. The number of minutes per trunk per month will be the assumed or the measured usage, whichever is greater.

When Feature Group B is ordered at an access tandem and end office specific usage measurement is not available, the actual or assumed originating and/or terminating minutes of use as determined by the exchange carrier providing the access tandem will be apportioned among all subtending end offices. For each end office, such apportionment shall be based on the ratio of the total number of subscriber lines in each end office subtending the access tandem to the total number of subscriber lines associated with all end offices subtending the access tandem. For purposes of administering this regulation, subscriber lines are defined as exchange service lines, Centrex lines and Centrex-type lines provided by the telephone companies under local and/or general exchange service tariffs. The resulting ratio for each end office is then applied to the total access area originating and/or terminating minutes of use to determine originating and/or terminating minutes of use to be assigned for billing purposes to each subtending end office in the access area.

The ratio used to calculate the access minutes will be determined by the Telephone Company and provided to the customer upon his request within 15 days of the receipt of such request.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB) (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.5 Testing Capabilities

FGB is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line, milliwatt (102 type) test line, nonsynchronous or synchronous test line, automatic transmission measuring (105 type) test line, data transmission (107 type) test line, loop around test line. In addition to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing, Additional Automatic Testing, and Additional Manual Testing are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC)
 - 6.7.1 Description
 - (A) FGC Access provides trunk side access to Telephone Company end office switches for the customer's use in originating and terminating communications.

 Originating and terminating FGC Access is available to providers of MTS and WATS. Originating FGC Access is available to all customers when used to provide the Interim NXX Translation optional feature.

 Terminating FGC access is available to all customers other than providers of MTS and WATS when such access is used in conjunction with the provision of the Interim NXX Translation optional feature, but only for purposes of testing. Existing FGC Access will be converted to Feature Group D Access when Feature Group D Access becomes available in an end office.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - Feature Group C switching is provided at all end office switches unless Feature Group D end office switching is provided in the same office. When FGD switching is available, FGC switching will not be provided. FGC is provided at Telephone Company end office switches on a direct trunk basis or via Telephone Company designated access tandem switches. Feature Group C switching is furnished to providers of MTS and WATS. Additionally, originating Feature Group C switching is available to all customers when used to provide the Interim NXX Translation optional feature. Terminating Feature Group C switching is available to all customers who are not MTS and WATS providers only when such terminating access is for purposes of testing Feature Group C facilities provided in conjunction with the Interim NXX Translation optional feature.
 - (C) FGC is provided as trunk side switching through the use of end office or access tandem switch trunk equipment. The switch trunk equipment is provided with answer and disconnect supervisory signaling. Wink start start-pulsing signals are provided in all offices where available. In those offices where wink start start-pulsing signals are not available, delay dial start-pulsing signals will be provided, unless immediate dial pulse signaling is provided, in which case no start-pulsing signals are provided.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - (D) FGC is provided with multifrequency address signaling except in certain electromechanical end office switches where multifrequency signaling is not available. In such switches, the address signaling will be dial pulse or immediate dial pulse signaling, whichever is available. Up to 12 digits of the called party number dialed by the customer's end user using dual tone multifrequency or dial pulse address signals will be provided by Telephone Company equipment to the customer's premises where the Switched Access Service terminates. Such called party number signals will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.
 - (E) No access code is required for FGC switching. The telephone number dialed by the customer's end user shall be a seven or ten digit number for calls in the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). For international calls outside the NANP, a seven to twelve digit number may be dialed. The form of the numbers dialed by the customer's end user is NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NXX-XXXX, NPA + NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NPA + NXX-XXXX, and when the end office is equipped for International Direct Distance Dialing (IDDD), 01 + CC + NN or 011 + CC + NN.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - FGC switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access (F) valid NXXs in the LATA, time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information provider, and other customer's services (by dialing the appropriate codes) when the services can be reached using valid NXX codes. When directly routed to an end office, only those valid NXX codes served by that office may be accessed. When routed through an access tandem, only those valid NXX codes served by offices subtending the access tandem may be accessed. Where measurement capabilities exist, the customer will also be billed additional non-access charges for calls to certain community information services, for which rates are applicable under Telephone Company exchange service tariffs, e.g., 9XX (DIAL IT) Network Services. Additionally, non-access charges will also be billed for calls from a FGC trunk to another customer's service in accordance with that customer's applicable service rates when the Telephone Company performs the billing function for that customer. Calls in the terminating direction will not be completed to 950-XXXX access codes, local operator assistance (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 and 555-1212), service codes 611 and 911 and 101XXXX access codes. FGC may not be switched, in the terminating direction, to Switched Access Service Feature Groups B, C or D.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - (G) The Telephone Company will establish a trunk group or groups for the customer at end office switches or access tandem switches where FGC switching is provided. When required by technical limitations, a separate trunk group will be established for each type of FGC switching arrangement provided. Different types of FGC or other switching arrangements may be combined in a single trunk group at the option of the Telephone Company.
 - (H) Unless prohibited by technical limitations the providers of MTS and WATS may, at their option, combine Interim NXX Translation traffic in the same trunk group arrangement with their non-Interim NXX Translation traffic. When required by technical considerations, or when provided to a customer other than the provider of MTS and WATS, or at the request of the customer (i.e., provider of MTS and WATS), a separate trunk group will be established for Interim NXX Translation traffic.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.2 Optional Features

Following are descriptions of the various nonchargeable and chargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group C. Nonchargeable optional features are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination and Local Transport element options as set forth in (A) through (C) following. Chargeable optional features are set forth in (D) following.

(A) Common Switching Element Options

Descriptions of the common switching optional features are set forth in 6.10 following.

- (1) Automatic Number Identification ANI)
- (2) Signaling Options
 - (a) Delay Dial Start-Pulsing Signaling
 - (b) Immediate Dial Pulse Address Signaling
 - (c) Dial Pulse Address Signaling
- (3) Service Class Routing
- (4) Alternate Traffic Routing
- (5) Trunk Access Limitation

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (B) Transport Terminating Element Options
 - (1) Operator Trunk Coin, Non-coin, or Combined Coin and Non-Coin

The Operator Trunk option is set forth in 6.10.2(B) following.

(C) Local Transport Element Options

One optional feature is available with Local Transport associated with FGC. That optional feature is Supervisory Signaling and, due to its technical nature, is set forth in 15.1.1 following.

- (D) Chargeable Optional Features
 - (1) Interim NXX Translation

The Interim NXX Translation Optional Feature is set forth in 6.10.3(A) following.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.3 Design and Traffic Routing

For Feature Group C, the Telephone Company shall design and determine the routing of Switched Access Service, including the selection of the first point of switching and the selection of facilities from the interface to any switching point and to the end offices where busy hour minutes of capacity are ordered. The Telephone Company shall also decide if capacity is to be provided by originating only, terminating only, or two-way trunk groups. Finally, the Telephone Company will decide whether trunk side access will be provided through the use of two-wire or four-wire trunk terminating equipment.

Selection of facilities and equipment and traffic routing of the service are based on standard engineering methods, available facilities and equipment, and the Telephone Company traffic routing plans.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer traffic to end offices will be measured (i.e., recorded) by the Telephone Company at end office switches or access tandem switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured by the Telephone Company to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

For terminating calls over FGC when measurement capability exists, the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes. For originating calls over FGC, chargeable originating access minutes are derived from recorded minutes in the following manner:

- Step 1: Obtain recorded originating minutes and messages, sourcing from the appropriate recording data.
- Step 2: Obtain the total attempts by dividing the originating measured messages by the completion ratio. Completion ratios (CR) are obtained separately for the major call categories such as DDD, operator, 8XX, 9XX, directory assistance and international from a sample study which analyzes the ultimate completion status of the total attempts which receive acknowledgement from the customer. That is, Measured Messages divided by Completion Ratio equals Total Attempts.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
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 - 6.7.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)
 - Step 3: Obtain the total non-conversation time additive (NCTA) by multiplying the total attempts (obtained in Step 2) by the NCTA per attempt ratio. The NCTA per attempt ratio is obtained from the sample study identified in Step 2 by measuring the non-conversation time associated with both completed and incompleted attempts. The total NCTA is the time on a completed attempt from customer acknowledgement of receipt of call to called party answer (set up and ringing) plus the time on an incompleted attempt from customer acknowledgement of call until the access tandem or end office receives a disconnect signal (ring - no answer, busy or network blockage). That is, Total Attempts times Non-Conversation Time per Attempt Ratio equal Total NCTA.
 - Step 4: Obtain total chargeable originating access minutes by adding the total NCTA (obtained in Step 3) to the recorded originating measured minutes (obtained in Step 1). That is, Measured Minutes plus NCTA equals Chargeable Originating Access minutes

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

Following is an example which illustrates how the chargeable originating access minutes are derived from the measured originating minutes using this formula.

Where: Measured Minutes (M. Min.) = 7,000
Measured Messages (M. Mes.) = 1,000
Completion Ratio (CR) = .75
NCTA per Attempt = .4

- (1) Total Attempts = $\frac{1,000(\text{M. Mes.})}{.75 \text{ (CR)}}$ = 1,333.3
- (2) Total NCTA = .4 (NCTA per Attempt) \times 1,333.33 = 533.33
- (3) Total Chargeable Originating Access Minutes = 7,000(M. Min.) + 533.33(NCTA) = 7,533.33

FGC access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each end office, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each end office.

Originating Usage

For originating calls over FGC, usage measurement begins when the originating FGC first point of switching receives answer supervision from the customer's point of termination, indicating the called party has answered.

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 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

Originating Usage (Cont'd)

The measurement of originating call usage over FGC ends when the originating FGC first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination. whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

Terminating Usage

For terminating calls over FGC the chargeable access minutes are measured by the "Recording Entity" (i.e.: end office or access tandem which is providing the recording function for terminating traffic).

The Recording Entity shall report this measured terminating traffic to each LECA member company, with a copy to the LECA Administrator.

This report shall contain at a minimum:

- (A) LECA member company name.
- (B) Recording Entity.(C) Terminating access usage by IC.
- (D) From and to dates of traffic included in report.

- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.5 Design Blocking Probability

The Telephone Company will design the facilities used in the provision of Switched Access Service FGC to meet the blocking probability criteria as set forth in (A) and (B) following.

- (A) For Feature Group C, the design blocking objective will be no greater than one percent (.01) between the point of termination at the customer's designated premises and the first point of switching when traffic is directly routed without an alternate route. Standard traffic engineering methods will be used by the Telephone Company to determine the number of transmission paths required to achieve this level of blocking.
- (B) The Telephone Company will perform routine measurement functions to assure that an adequate number of transmission paths are in service. The Telephone Company will recommend that additional capacity (i.e., busy hour minutes of capacity) be ordered by the customer when additional paths are required to reduce the measured blocking to the designed blocking level. For the capacity ordered, the design blocking objective is assumed to have been met if the routine measurements show that the measured blocking does not exceed the threshold listed in the following tables.

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 - Design Blocking Probability (Cont'd) 6.7.5
 - (B) (Cont'd)
 - (1) For transmission paths carrying only first routed traffic direct between an end office and customer's designated premises without an alternate route, and for paths carrying only overflow traffic, the measured blocking thresholds are as follows:

Number of Transmission Paths Per Trunk Group

Measured Blocking Thresholds in the Time Consistent Busy Hour for the Number of Measurements Taken Between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. Per Trunk Group

	15-20	11–14	7–10	3–6
	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements
.2	7.0%	8.0%	9.0%	14.0%
3	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%	9.0%
4	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%	8.0%
5–6	4.0%	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%
7 or more	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%	6.0%

(2) For transmission paths carrying first routed traffic between an end office and customer's premises via an access tandem, the measured blocking thresholds are as follows:

> Measured Blocking Thresholds in the Time Consistent Busy Hour

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for the Number of Measurements				
Taken Between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.				
Per Trunk Group				
15–20	11-14	7–10	3–6	
Measurements	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements	
4.5%	5.5%	6.0%	9.5%	
3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	6.0%	
3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	5.5%	
2.5%	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	
2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	4.0%	
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 - 6.7 Description and Provision of Feature Group C (FGC) (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.6 Testing Capabilities

FGC is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line, milliwatt (102 type) test line, nonsynchronous or synchronous test line, automatic transmission measuring (105 type) test line, data transmission (107 type) test line, loop around test line, short circuit test line and open circuit test line. In addition, to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing, Additional Automatic Testing and Additional Manual Testing are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

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6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)

6.8.1 Description

- (A) FGD Access, which is available to all customers, provides trunk side access to Telephone Company end office switches.
- (B) FGD is provided at Telephone Company designated end office switches whether routed directly or via Telephone Company designated electronic access tandem switches. The Telephone Company will designate the first point(s) of switching for FGD services where the Telephone Company elects to provide equal access through a centralized equal access arrangement.
- (C) FGD is provided as trunk side switching through the use of end office or access tandem switch trunk equipment. The switch trunk equipment is provided with wink start start-pulsing signals and answer and disconnect supervisory signaling.
- (D) FGD switching is provided with multifrequency address signaling. Up to 12 digits of the called party number dialed by the customer's end user using dual tone multifrequency or dial pulse address signals will be provided by Telephone Company equipment to the customer's premises where the Switched Access Service terminates. Such address signals will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.

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 - 6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - FGD switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access valid NXXs in the LATA, time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information service provider, and other customers' services (by dialing the appropriate codes) when such services can be reached using valid NXX codes. When directly routed to an end office, only those valid NXX codes served by that office may be accessed. When routed through an access tandem, only those valid NXX codes served by end offices subtending the access tandem may be accessed. The customer will also be billed additional non-access charges for calls to certain community information services, for which rates are applicable under Telephone Company exchange service tariffs, e.g., 9XX(DIAL-IT) Network Service. Additionally, non-access charges will also be billed for calls from a FGD trunk to another customer's service in accordance with that customer's applicable service rates when the Telephone Company performs the billing function for that customer. Calls in the terminating direction will not be completed to 950-XXXX access codes, local operator assistance (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 and 555-1212), service codes 611 and 911 and 101XXXX access codes. FGD may not be switched, in the terminating direction, to switched access service Feature Groups B, C or D.
 - (F) The Telephone Company will establish a trunk group or groups for the customer at end office switches or access tandem switches where FGD switching is provided. When required by technical limitations, a separate trunk group will be established for each type of FGD switching arrangement provided.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
 - (F) (Cont'd)

Different types of FGD or switching arrangements may be combined in a single trunk group at the option of the Telephone Company.

(G) The access code for FGD switching is a uniform access code of the form 101XXXX. A uniform access code(s) will be the assigned number of all FGD access provided to the customer by the Telephone Company. No access code is required for calls to a customer over FGD Switched Access Service if the end user's telephone exchange service is arranged for presubscription to that customer, as set forth in 13.4 following.

Where no access code is required, the number dialed by the customer's end user shall be a seven or ten digit number for calls in the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). For international calls outside the NANP, a seven to twelve digit number may be dialed. The form of the numbers dialed by the customer's end user is NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NXX-XXXX, NPA + NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NPA + NXX-XXXX, and, when the end office is equipped for International Direct Distance Dialing (IDDD), 01 + CC + NN or 011 + CC + NN.

When the 101XXXX access code is used, FGD switching also provides for dialing the digit 0 for access to the customer's operator, 911 for access to the Telephone Company's emergency reporting service, or the end-of-dialing digit (#) for cut-through access to the customer designated premises.

Unless otherwise ordered by the F.C.C., when equal access is provided through a centralized equal access arrangement the 101XXXX access code may not be available in certain equal access offices.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
 - (H) FGD switching will be arranged to accept calls from telephone exchange service locations without the need for dialing the 101XXXX uniform access code. Each telephone exchange service line may be marked with a code to identify which 101XXXX code its calls will be directed to for interLATA service.
 - (I) Unless prohibited by technical limitations, the customer's Interim NXX Translation traffic may, at the option of the customer, be combined in the same trunk group arrangement with the customer's non-Interim NXX Translation traffic. When required by technical limitations, or at the request of the customer, a separate trunk group will be established for Interim NXX Translation traffic.
 - (J) When a customer has had FGB access in an end office and subsequently replaces the FGB access with FGD access, at the mutual agreement of the customer and the Telephone Company, the Telephone Company will direct calls dialed by the customer's end users using the customer's previous FGB access code to the customer's FGD access service. The customer must be prepared to handle normally dialed FGD calls, as well as calls dialed with the FGB access code which requires the customer to receive additional address signaling from the end user. Such calls will be rated as FGD. The Telephone Company may, with 90 day's written notice to the customer, discontinue this arrangement.
 - (K) For FGD switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer will be billed only the Local Transport element for the FGD usage.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.2 Optional Features

Following are the various nonchargeable and chargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group D. Nonchargeable Optional Features are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination and Local Transport element options as set forth in (A) through (C) following. Chargeable optional features are set forth in (D) following.

(A) Common Switching Element Options

Descriptions of the common switching optional features are set forth in 6.10 following.

- (1) Automatic Number Identification (ANI)
- (2) Service Class Routing
- (3) Alternate Traffic Routing
- (4) Trunk Access Limitation
- (5) Call Gapping Arrangement

- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (B) Transport Termination Element Options
 - (1) Operator Trunk Full Feature

The Operator Trunk optional feature is set forth in 6.10.2(C) following.

(C) Local Transport Element Options

One optional feature is available with Local Transport associated with FGD. That optional feature is Supervisory Signaling and, due to its technical nature, is set forth in 15.1.1 following.

- (D) Chargeable Optional Features
 - (1) Interim NXX Translation

The Interim NXX Translation Optional Feature is set forth in 6.10.3(A) following.

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6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)

6.8.3 Design and Traffic Routing

For Feature Group D, the Telephone Company shall design and determine the routing of Switched Access Service, including the selection of the first point of switching and the selection of facilities from the interface to any switching point and to the end offices where busy hour minutes of capacity are ordered. The Telephone Company shall also decide if capacity is to be provided by originating only, terminating only, or two-way trunk groups. Finally, the Telephone Company will decide whether trunk side access will be provided through the use of two-wire or four-wire trunk terminating equipment.

Selection of facilities and equipment and traffic routing of the service are based on standard engineering methods, available facilities and equipment, and the Telephone Company traffic routing plans. The Telephone Company will designate the first point(s) of switching and routing to be used where equal access is provided through a centralized equal access arrangement.

6.8.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer traffic to end offices will be recorded at end office switches or access tandem switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured or imputed to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

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6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)

6.8.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

Originating Usage

For originating calls over FGD the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes.

For originating calls over FGD, usage measurement begins when the originating FGD first point of switching receives the first wink supervisory signal forwarded from the customer's point of termination.

The measurement of originating call usage over FGD ends when the originating FGD first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

Terminating Usage

For terminating calls over FGD the chargeable access minutes are either measured or imputed.

For terminating calls over FGD where measurement capability exists, the measurement of chargeable access minutes begins when the terminating FGD 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 FGD first point of switching receives disconnect 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.

For terminating calls over FGD, where measurement capability does not exist, terminating FGD usage is imputed from originating usage, excluding usage from calls to closed end services or Directory Assistance Services.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.5 Design Blocking Probability

The Telephone Company will design the facilities used in the provision of Switched Access Service FGD to meet the blocking probability criteria as set forth in (A) and (B) following.

- (A) For Feature Group D, the design blocking objective will be no greater than one percent (.01) between the point of termination at the customer's designated premises and the end office switch, whether the traffic is directly routed without an alternate route or routed via an access tandem. Standard traffic engineering methods as set forth in reference document Telecommunications Transmission Engineering Volume 3 Networks and Services (Chapters 6-7) will be used by the Telephone Company to determine the number of transmission paths required to achieve this level of blocking.
- (B) The Telephone Company will perform routine measurement functions to assure that an adequate number of transmission paths are in service. The Telephone Company will recommend that additional capacity (i.e., busy hour minutes of capacity or trunks) be ordered by the customer when additional paths are required to reduce the measured blocking to the designed blocking level. For the capacity ordered, the design blocking objective is assumed to have been met if the routine measurements show that the measured blocking does not exceed the threshold listed in the following tables.

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 - 6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.5 Design Blocking Probability (Cont'd)
 - (B) Cont'd)
 - (1) For transmission paths carrying only first routed traffic direct between an end office and customer's designated premises without an alternate route, and for paths carrying only overflow traffic, the measured blocking thresholds are as follows:

Number of Transmission Paths Per Trunk Group

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Measured Blocking Thresholds in the Time Consistent Busy Hour for the Number of Measurements Taken Between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

Trunk Group	Per Trunk Group			
	15-20	11–14	7–10	3–6
	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements
2	7.0%	8.0%	9.0%	14.0%
3	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%	9.0%
4	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%	8.0%
5–6	4.0%	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%
or more	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%	6.0%

(2) For transmission paths carrying first routed traffic between an end office and customer's premises via an access tandem, the measured blocking thresholds are as follows:

Measured Blocking Thresholds
in the Time Consistent Busy Hour

Number of for the Number of Measurements

Transmission Paths Taken Between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

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Per Trunk Group	Per Trunk Group			
	15–20	11–14	7–10	3-6
	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements
2	4.5%	5.5%	6.0%	9.5%
3	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	6.0%
4	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	5.5%
5–6	2.5%	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%
7 or more	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	4.0%

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6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)

6.8.6 Network Blocking Charge

The customer will be notified by the Telephone Company to increase its capacity (busy hour minutes of capacity or quantities of trunks) when excessive trunk group blocking occurs on groups carrying Feature Group D traffic and the measured access minutes for that hour exceed the capacity purchased. Excessive trunk group blocking occurs when the blocking thresholds stated below are exceeded. They are predicated on time consistent, hourly measurements over a 30 day period excluding Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays. If the order for additional capacity has not been received by the Telephone Company within 15 days of the notification, the Telephone Company will bill the customer, at the rate set forth in 17.2.2 following, for each overflow in excess of the blocking threshold when (1) the average "30 day period" overflow exceeds the threshold level for any particular hour and (2) the "30 day period" measured average originating or two-way usage for the same clock hour exceeds the capacity purchased.

Blocking Thresholds

Trunks in Service	1.0%	1/2%
1–2	7.0%	4.5%
3-4	5.0%	3.5%
5–6	4.0%	2.5%
7 or greater	3.0%	2.0%

The 1% blocking threshold is for transmission paths carrying traffic direct (without an alternate route) between an end office and a customer's premises. The 1/2% blocking threshold is for transmission paths carrying first routed traffic between an end office and a customer's premises via an access tandem.

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 - 6.8 Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD) (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.7 Testing Capabilities

FGD is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line, milliwatt (102 type) test line, nonsynchronous or synchronous test line, automatic transmission measuring (105 type) test line, data transmission (107 type) test line, loop around test line, short circuit test line and open circuit test line. In addition to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding, which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing, Additional Automatic Testing and Additional Manual Testing, are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.9 Reserved For Future Use

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.10 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features

Following are descriptions of the various optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with the Feature Groups. They are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination or Interim NXX Translation options.

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6.10 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features (Cont'd)

6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features

The following table shows the Feature Groups with which the optional features are available.

		Available Feature		Groups	
	Option	A	В	С	D
		77			
A)	Call Denial on Line or Hunt Group	X			
B)	Service Code Denial on Line or Hunt Group	X			
C)	Hunt Group Arrangement	X			
D)	Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement	X			
E)	Nonhunting Number for Use with Hunt Group				
	or Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement	X			
F)	Automatic Number Identification (ANI)		X	X	X
G)	Up to 7 Digit Outpulsing of Access Digits to				
	Customer		X		
H)	Delay Dial Start-Pulsing Signaling			X	
I)	Immediate Dial Pulse Address Signaling			X	
J)	Dial Pulse Address Signaling			X	
K)	Service Class Routing			X	X
L)	Alternate Traffic Routing		,	X	X
M)	Trunk Access Limitation			X	X
N)	Call Gapping Arrangement				X

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- 6.10 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (A) Call Denial on Line or Hunt Group

This option allows for the screening of terminating Feature Group A calls. There are two screening arrangements available with this option as follows: 1) limiting terminating calls for completion to only 411 or 555-1212 whichever is available, 611, 911, 8XX and a Telephone Company specified set of NXXs within the Telephone Company local exchange calling area of the dial tone office in which the arrangement is provided or, 2) limiting terminating calls to completion to only the NXXs associated with all end offices in the LATA, i.e., the call cannot be further switched or routed out of the LATA nor will calls be completed to 411 or 555-1212 whichever is available, 611, 911 or 8XX. All other calls are routed to a reorder tone or recorded announcement. Arrangement 1 is provided in all Telephone Company electronic end offices and, where available, in electromechanical end offices. Arrangement 2 is provided where available. This feature is available with Feature Group A.

(B) Service Code Denial on Line or Hunt Group

This option allows for the screening of terminating calls within the LATA, and for disallowing completion of calls to 0-, 555 and N11 (e.g., 411, 611, and 911). This feature is provided where available in all Telephone Company end offices. It is available with Feature Group A.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.10 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (C) Hunt Group Arrangements

This option provides the ability to sequentially access one of two or more line side connections in the originating direction, when the access code of the line group is dialed. This feature is provided in all Telephone Company end offices. It is available with Feature Group A. All Feature Group A access services in the same hunt group must provide off-hook supervisory signaling from the same point in time in the call sequence i.e., all off-hook supervisory signals must either be provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers or all must be forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers.

(D) Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement

This option provides a type of multiline hunting arrangement which provides for an even distribution of calls among the available lines in a hunt group. Where available, this feature is provided in Telephone Company electronic end offices only. It is available with Feature Group A.

(E) Nonhunting Number for Use with Hunt Group or Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement

This option provides access to an individual line within a multiline hunt or uniform call distribution group. When the nonhunting number is dialed, access is provided when it is idle, or busy tone is provided when it is busy. Where available, this feature is provided in Telephone Company electronic end offices only. It is available with Feature Group A.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.10 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (F) Automatic Number Identification (ANI)
 - (1) This option provides the automatic transmission of a seven digit or ten digit number and information digits to the customer designated premises for calls originating in the LATA, to identify the calling station. The ANI feature is an end office software function which is associated on a call-by-call basis with:
 - (a) all individual transmission paths in a trunk group routed directly between an end office and a customer designated premises or, where technically feasible, with
 - (b) all individual transmission paths in a trunk group between an end office and an access tandem, and a trunk group between an access tandem and a customer designated premises.
 - (2) The seven digit ANI telephone number is generally available with Feature Groups B and C. With these Feature Groups, technical limitations may exist in Telephone Company switching facilities which require ANI to be provided only on a directly trunked basis. ANI will be transmitted on all calls except those originating from multiparty lines, coin stations and coinless pay telephones using Feature Group B, or when an ANI failure has occurred.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.10 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (F) Automatic Number Identification (ANI) (Cont'd)
 - (3) The ten digit ANI telephone number is only available with Feature Group D. The ten digit ANI telephone number consists of the Number Plan Area (NPA) plus the seven digit ANI telephone number. The ten digit ANI telephone number will be transmitted on all calls except those identified as multiparty line or ANI failure, in which case only the NPA will be transmitted (in addition to the information digit described below).
 - (4) With Feature Group C, at the option of the customer, ANI may be ordered from end offices where Telephone Company recording for end user billing is not provided. Additionally, ANI is provided from end offices where message detail recording is not required by the Telephone Company; as with 8XX service. ANI is not provided from end offices where the Telephone Company forwards ANI to its recording equipment.

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 - 6.10 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (F) Automatic Number Identification (ANI) (Cont'd)
 - (5) Where complete ANI detail cannot be provided, e.g., on calls from 4 and 8 party services, information digits will be provided to the customer.

The information digits identify:

- (a) telephone number is the station billing number - no special treatment required,
- (b) multiparty line telephone number is a 4 or 8-party line and cannot be identified number must be obtained via an operator or in some other manner,
- (c) ANI failure has occurred in the end office switch which prevents identification of calling telephone number - must be obtained by operator or in some other manner,
- (d) hotel/motel originated call which requires room number identification,
- (e) coinless station, hospital, inmate, etc. call which requires special screening or handling by the customer, and
- (f) call is an Automatic Identified Outward Dialed (AIOD) call from customer premises equipment. The AIOD ANI telephone number is the listed telephone number of the customer and is not the telephone number of the calling party.

These ANI information digits are generally available with Feature Groups B, C, and D.

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 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (F) Automatic Number Identification (ANI) (Cont'd)
 - (6) Additional ANI information digits are available with Feature Group D also. They include:
 - (a) InterLATA restricted telephone number is identified line
 - (b) InterLATA restricted hotel/motel line
 - (c) InterLATA restricted coinless, hospital, inmate, etc., line

These information digits will be transmitted as agreed to by the customer and the Telephone Company.

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 - 6.10 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (G) Up to 7 Digit Outpulsing of Access Digits to Customer

This option provides for the end office capability of providing up to 7 digits of the uniform access code (950-XXXX) to the customer designated premises. The customer can request that only some of the digits in the access code be forwarded. The access code digits would be provided to the customer designated premises using multifrequency signaling, and transmission of the digits would precede the forwarding of ANI if that feature were provided. This feature is available with Feature Group B.

(H) Delay Dial Start-Pulsing Signaling

Where available, this option provides a method of indicating to the near end trunk circuit readiness to accept address signaling information by the far end trunk circuit. Delay dial is often referred to as an off-hook signaling sequence. The delay dial signal is the off-hook interval and the start-pulsing signal is the on-hook interval. With integrity check, the calling office will not outpulse until a delay dial (off-hook) signal followed by a start-pulsing (on-hook) signal has been identified at the calling office. This option is available with Feature Group C.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.10 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (I) Immediate Dial Pulse Address Signaling

Where available, this option provides for the forwarding of dial pulses from the Telephone Company end office to the customer without the need of a start-pulsing signal from the customer. It is available with Feature Group C.

(J) <u>Dial Pulse Address Signaling</u>

Where available, this trunk side option provides for the transmission of number information, e.g., called number, between the end office switching system and the customer designated premises (in either direction) by means of direct current pulses. It is available with Feature Group C.

(K) Service Class Routing

This option provides the capability of directing originating traffic from an end office to a trunk group to a customer designated premises, based on the line class of service (e.g., coin, multiparty or hotel/motel), service prefix indicator (e.g., 0-, 0+, 01+ or 011+; or Service Access Code (e.g., 8XX or 9XX). It is provided in suitable equipped end office or access tandem switches. It is available with Feature Groups C and D.

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 - 6.10 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (L) Alternate Traffic Routing

This option provides the capability of directing originating traffic from an end office (or appropriately equipped access tandem) to a trunk group (the "high usage" group) to a customer designated premises until that group is fully loaded, and then delivering additional originating traffic (the "overflowing" traffic) from the same end office or access tandem to a different trunk group (the "final" group) to a second customer designated premises. The customer shall specify the last trunk CCS desired for the high usage group. It is provided in suitably equipped end office or access tandem switches. It is available with Feature Groups C and D.

(M) Trunk Access Limitation

This option provides for the routing of originating 9XX service calls to a specified number of transmission paths in a trunk group, in order to limit (choke) the completion of such traffic to the customer. Calls to the designated service which could not be completed over the subset of transmission paths in the trunk group, i.e., the choked calls, would be routed to reorder tone. It is provided in all Telephone Company electronic end offices and where available in electromechanical end offices. It is available with Feature Groups C and D.

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 - 6.10 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (N) Call Gapping Arrangement

This option, provided in suitable equipped end office switches, provides for the routing of originating calls to 9XX service to be switched in the end office to all transmission paths in a trunk group at a prescribed rate of flow, e.g., one call every five seconds, in order to limit (choke) the completion of such traffic to the customer. Calls to the designated service which are denied access by this feature, i.e., the choked calls, would be routed to a no-circuit announcement. It is provided in selected Feature Group D equipped end offices and is available only with Feature Group D.

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6.10.2 Transport Termination NonChargeable Optional Features

(A) Rotary Dial Station Signaling

This option provides for the transmission of called party address signaling from rotary dial stations to the customer designated premises for originating calls. This option is provided in the form of a specific type of Transport Termination. It is available with Feature Group B, only on a directly trunked basis.

(B) Operator Trunk - Coin, Non-Coin, or Combined Coin and Non-Coin

This option may be ordered to provide coin, non-coin, or combined coin and non-coin operation. It is available only with Feature Group C and is provided in electronic end offices and other Telephone Company end offices where equipment is available. It is provided as a trunk type of Transport Termination.

Coin, Non-Coin:

This arrangement provides for initial coin return control, except in the case of non-coin, and routing of 0+, 0-, 1+, 01+ or 011+. Because operator assisted coin calling traffic is routed over a trunk group dedicated to operator assisted calls, this arrangement is only provided in association with the Service Class Routing option.

This arrangement is normally covered by the customer in conjunction with the ANI optional feature, since the preponderance of trunk groups equipped with this arrangement will be terminated in the customer's automated operator services systems, rather than in the customer's manual cord boards.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.10 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.2 Transport Termination NonChargeable Optional Features
 - (B) Operator Trunk Coin, Non-Coin, or Combined Coin and Non-Coin (Cont'd)

Combined Coin and Non-Coin:

When so equipped, the ANI optional feature provides for the forwarding of information digits which identify that the call has originated from a hotel or motel, and whether room number identification is required, or that special screening is required, e.g., for coinless public stations, dormitory or inmate stations, or other screening arrangements agreed to between the customer and the Telephone Company.

(C) Operator Trunk - Full Feature

This option provides the initial coin return control function to the customer's operator. It is available with Feature Group D and is provided as a trunk type for Transport Termination.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.10 Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.10.3 Chargeable Optional Features
 - (A) Interim NXX Translation

This service is an originating offering utilizing trunk side Switched Access Service and provides a customer identification function based on the dialed SAC and NXX code.

For example, when an 1+8XX+NXX-XXXX or an 1+9XX+NXX-XXXX call is originated by an end user, the Telephone Company will perform the customer identification function based on the dialed digits to determine the customer location to which the call is to be routed. If the call originates from an end office switch not equipped to provide the customer identification function, the call will be routed to an office at which the function is available. Once customer identification has been established, the call will be routed to that customer. Calls originating from an end office switch at which the customer identification function is performed, but to which the customer has not ordered Interim NXX Translation, will be blocked. Calls to a 9XX number from coin telephones, 0+, 0-, 101XXXXX, Inmate Service, Hotel/Motel Service and calling card calls will be blocked.

The manner in which Interim NXX Translation is provided is dependent on the status of the end office from which the service is provided (i.e., equipped with equal access capabilities or not equipped with equal access capabilities). When Interim NXX Translation is provided from an end office not equipped with equal access capabilities, it will be provided in conjunction with FGC Switched Access Service.

The charge for Interim NXX Translation is as set forth in 17.2.1(C) following.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

6.10 <u>Common Switching, Transport Termination and Interim NXX Translation Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.10.4 8XX Data Base Query Service

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8XX Data Base Query Service is provided with FGC or FGD switched access service. When a 1+8XX+NXX-XXXX call is originated by an end user, the Telephone Company will utilize the Signalling System 7 (SS7) network to query an 8XX data base 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 routed to the identified customer over FGC or FGD switched access.

The manner in which 8XX data base access service is provided is dependent on the availability of SS7 service at the end office from which the service is provided as outlined following:

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When 8XX data base access service originates at an end office equipped with Service Switching Point (SSP) capability for querying centralized data bases, all such service will be provisioned from that end office.

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- When 8XX data base access service originates at an end office not equipped with SSP customer identification capability, the 8XX call will be delivered to the access tandem on which the end office is homed and which is equipped with the SSP feature to query centralized data bases.

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Query charges are identified as basic charge and vertical feature charge. The
basic charge is applicable when the query and response provide the customer
identification function. Any additional data or services provided will result in
the application of a vertical feature charge.

Query charges as set forth in 17.2.2 following are in addition to those charges applicable for the Feature Group C or Feature Group D switched access service.

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