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APPLICATION OF TARIFF

This tariff sets forth the service offerings, rates, terms and conditions applicable to the furnishing of local exchange service by Easton Telecom Services, L.L.C. ("Easton" or "the Company") in the calling areas defined herein.

The provision of local exchange services is subject to existing regulations and terms and conditions specified in this tariff and may be revised, added to or supplemented by superseding issues.

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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

The following symbols shall be used in this tariff for the purposes indicated below:

- C To indicate changed regulation.
- D To indicate discontinued rate or regulation.
- I To indicate increased rate.
- N To indicate new rate, regulation.
- R To indicate reduction.

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EXPLANATION OF TERMS

ADVANCE PAYMENT

Part or all of a payment required before the start of service.

AGENCY

For 911 or E911 service, the county designated as having responsibility for the control and staffing of the emergency report center.

AUTHORIZED USER

A person, corporation or other entity that is authorized by the Company's customer to utilize service provided by the Company to the customer. The customer is responsible for all charges incurred by an Authorized User.

ATTENDANT

An operator of PBX console or telephone switchboard.

BUILDING

A structure enclosed within exterior walls or fire walls, built, erected and framed of component structural parts and designated for permanent occupancy.

CALL INITIATION

The point in time when the exchange network facility is initially allocated for the establishment of a specific call.

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CALL TERMINATION

The point in time when the exchange network facility allocated a specific call is released for reuse by the network.

CENTRAL OFFICE

An operating office of the incumbent local exchange company where connections are made between telephone exchange lines.

COMMISSION

The Michigan Public Service Commission.

CUSTOMER

A person, firm, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, municipality, cooperative association or organization, governmental agency, or other entity receiving telecommunications services.

EMERGENCY

A situation that appears to present immediate danger to person or property.

EMERGENCY SERVICE (ENHANCED 911)

Allows a customer to reach appropriate emergency services, including police, fire and medical services. Enhanced 911 has the ability to selectively route an emergency call to the primary E911 provider so that it reaches the correct emergency service located closest to the caller. In addition, the Customer's address and telephone information will be provided to the primary E911 provider for display at the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP).

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E911 SERVICE AREA

The geographic area in which the county will respond to all E911 calls and dispatch appropriate emergency assistance.

E911 CUSTOMER

A governmental agency that is the customer of record and is responsible for all negotiations, operations and payment of bills in connection with the provision of E911 service.

ERROR

A discrepancy or unintentional deviation by the Company from what is correct or true. An "error" can also be an omission of records.

EXCHANGE

An area, consisting of one or more central office districts, within which a call between any two points is a local call.

EXCHANGE ACCESS LINE

A central office line furnished for direct or indirect access to the exchange system.

FCC

The Federal Communications Commission.

FINAL ACCOUNT

A customer's outstanding charges still owed to the Company.

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INVESTIGATE OR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

An officer of the United States, a state or political subdivision of the United States which is empowered by the law to investigate or make arrests for crimes related to communications, or an attorney authorized by law to prosecute those crimes.

LAST NUMBER REDIAL

Enables a station line user to redial the last called number by use of an access code rather than dialing the entire number.

LATA

The local access and transport areas as defined in United States v. American Telephone and Telegraph Co., 569 F. Supp. 990 (D.D.C. 1983)

LOCAL CALLING AREA

The area, consisting of one or more central office districts, within which a subscriber for exchange service may make telephone calls without a long distance charge.

LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIER

“Local exchange carrier” or “LEC” means any person, firm, partnership, or corporation engaged in the business of furnishing telephone service within a telephone exchange, or within a connected system of telephone exchanges within the same local calling area, operated to furnish to customers intercommunication service of the character ordinarily furnished by a single exchange, and that is covered by the exchange service charge; an entity that provides the transmission of message or communications between points within a local calling area as defined in documents on file with the Commission.

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MOVE

The disconnection of existing service at one location and reconnection of the same service at a new location in the same building or in a different building on the same premises.

PBX

A private branch exchange.

PRESUBSCRIPTION

An arrangement whereby a Customer may select and designate to the Company an Exchange Carrier it wishes to access, without an access code, for completing intraLATA and interLATA toll calls. The selected Exchange Carrier is referred to as the End User's Primary Interexchange Carrier (PIC).

PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE SERVICE

Service providing facilities for connecting central office trunks and tie lines to PBX stations, and for interconnecting PBX station lines by means of a switchboard or dial apparatus.

RATE OR CHARGE

The dollar amount to be paid by a person for a service or other specified item. "Rate" generally refers to the amount for a period of time and "charge" generally refers to the amount for a service or other specified item, which is not repeated on a periodic basis. The terms are sometimes used synonymously.

RATE CENTER

Company-designated service locations from which service is rendered or rated.

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RECURRING CHARGES

The monthly charges to the Customer for services, facilities and equipment, which continue for the agreed upon duration of the service.

SERVICE COMMENCEMENT DATE

The first day following the date on which the Company notifies the customer that the requested service or facility is available for use, unless extended by the Customer's refusal to accept service which does not conform to standards set forth in the Service Order or this tariff, in which case the Service Commencement Date is the date of the Customer's acceptance. The Company and Customer may mutually agree on a substitute Service Commencement Date.

SERVICE ORDER

The written request for Network Services executed by the Customer and the Company in the format devised by the Company. The signing of a Service Order by the Customer and acceptance by the Company initiates the respective obligations of the parties as set forth therein and pursuant to this tariff, but the duration of the service is calculated from the Service Commencement Date.

SERVING CENTRAL OFFICE

The central office from which local service is furnished.

TARIFF

A specific rate, rule, or regulation.

TARIFF NUMBER

A collection of tariff sheets by general common categories as assigned by the Commission.

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TARIFF SHEET

A page that includes a rate, rule, or regulation.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICE (TRS)

Enables hearing- or speech-impaired persons who use a Text Telephone (TT) or similar devices to communicate freely with the hearing population not using TT or vice versa. A customer will be able to access the state provider to complete such calls.

TELEPHONE CALL

A voice connection between two or more telephone stations through the public switched exchange system.

TERMINATION OF SERVICE

Discontinuance of both incoming and outgoing service.

TOLL BLOCKING

Allows end users to block direct-dialed long distance calls from their telephones.

TOLL CALL

Any call extending beyond the local exchange of the originating caller that is rated on a toll schedule by the Company.

USER

A customer or any other person authorized by a Customer to use service provided under this Tariff.

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Part 1 – Rules and Regulations

1.1 Undertaking of the Company

- A The Company undertakes to provide the services in this tariff on the terms and conditions and at the rates and charges set forth herein.
- B The Company is responsible under this tariff only for the services provided herein, and it assumes no responsibility for any service provided by any other entity. Customers may use services provided under this tariff to obtain access to services offered by other providers.
- C The Company will provide a toll-free number giving Customers access to service personnel during regular business hours.
- D The Company will comply with any applicable quality of service requirements according to Michigan laws and rules.

1.2 Terms and Conditions - Business Customers

- A Customers may be required to enter into written service orders which shall contain or reference a specific description of the service ordered, the rates to be charged, the duration of the services, and the terms and conditions in this tariff. The Customer will be required to execute any other documents as may be reasonably requested by the Company.
- B Service is provided for a minimum period of at least one month, 24 hours a day. A month is considered to have thirty days unless otherwise specified. At the expiration of the initial terms specified in each service order, or in any extension thereof, service shall continue on a month to month basis at the then current tariffed, month to month rates, unless terminated by the Customer. Any termination shall not relieve the Customer of its obligation to pay any charges incurred under the service order and this tariff prior to termination. The rights and obligations, which by their nature extend beyond the termination of the term of service order, shall survive such termination.

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1.2 Terms and Conditions - Business Customers (continued)

- C This tariff shall be interpreted and governed by the laws of the State of Michigan without regard for the State's choice of laws provisions.
- D Another telephone company must not interfere with the right of any person or entity to obtain service directly from the Company.
- E The services the Company offers shall not be used for any unlawful purpose or for any use as to which the Customer has not obtained all required governmental approvals, authorizations, licenses, consents and permits.
- F The Customer has no property right to the telephone number or any other call number designation associated with services furnished by the Company. The Company reserves the right to change such numbers, or the central office designation associated with such numbers, or both, assigned to the Customer, whenever the Company deems it necessary to do so in the conduct of its business. Nothing in this provision shall be construed to be inconsistent with number portability requirements.
- G In response to a subpoena or investigation or other demand issued or authorized by a court or government agency, the Company shall provide customer records and related information without further notice.
- H Customer shall not connect any equipment to the Company's network or lines, except with at least ten (10) days prior written notice to the Company.

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Part 1 – Rules and Regulations**1.3 Notification of Service Affecting Activities**

The Company will provide the Customer reasonable notification of service-affecting activities that may occur in the normal operation of its business. Such activities may include, but are not limited to, equipment or facilities additions, removals or rearrangements and routine preventive maintenance. Generally, such activities are not specific to an individual Customer but affect many Customers' services. No specific advance notification period is applicable to all service-affecting activities. The Company will work cooperatively with the Customer to determine reasonable notification requirements. With some emergency or unplanned service affecting conditions, such as an outage resulting from cable damage, notification to the Customer may not be possible.

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1.4 Provisions of Services

- A The Company will make reasonable efforts to make services available to a Customer on or before a particular date, subject to the provisions of and compliance by the Customer with the regulations contained in this tariff. The Company does not guarantee availability by any such date and Section 1.5 of this tariff will limit any liability of the Company.
- B The Company shall use reasonable efforts to maintain the services that it furnishes to the Customer. The Customer may not rearrange, disconnect, remove, attempt to repair or otherwise interfere with any of the services provided by the Company, except upon the written consent of the Company. The Customer may not permit others to rearrange, disconnect, remove, attempt to repair or otherwise interfere with any of the services provided by the Company, except upon the written consent of the Company.
- C The furnishing of service under this tariff is subject to the availability on a continuing basis of all the necessary facilities and is limited to the capacity of the Company's facilities, as well as the facilities the Company may obtain from other carriers, from time to time, to furnish service as required at the sole discretion of the Company.
- D Customer shall not connect any equipment to the telecommunication system owned or managed by the Company except upon ten (10) days' prior written notice to the Company. Customer bears all responsibility in the event they utilize equipment not approved or authorized by the Company. Customer shall supply all electrical power and other utilities necessary to operate or use the services provided.

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1.4 Provisions of Services (continued)

- E The Company shall not be responsible for the installation, operation, or maintenance of any Customer provided communications equipment. Where such equipment is connected to the facilities furnished pursuant to this Tariff, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of facilities offered under this tariff and to the maintenance and operation of such facilities. Beyond this responsibility, the Company shall not be responsible for:
1. the transmission of signals by Customer provided equipment or for the quality of, or defects in such transmission; or
 2. the reception of signals by Customer provided equipment; or
 3. network control signaling where such signaling is performed by Customer provided network control signaling equipment.
- F At the Customer's request, installation and/or maintenance may be performed outside the Company's regular business hours or in hazardous locations. In such cases, charges based on cost of actual labor, material or other costs incurred by or charged to the Company will apply. If installation is started during regular business hours but at the Customer's request extends beyond regular business hours into time periods including, but not limited to, weekends, holidays, and/or night hours, additional charges may apply.

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1.5 Liability of the Company

- A The liability of the Company for damages arising out of the furnishing of its services, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays or errors, other defects, or representations by the Company, or use of these services or damages arising out of the failure to furnish the service whether caused by acts or omission, shall be limited to the extension of allowances for interruption as set forth below. The extension of such allowances for interruption shall be the sole remedy of the Customer and the sole liability of the Company. The Company will not be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental, special, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages to Customer as a result of any Company service, equipment or damages to Customer as a result of any Company service, equipment or facilities of third parties, and the Company will not be liable to Customer or any other person, firm or entity in any respect whatsoever arising out of defects caused by such third parties.
- B The Company's liability for willful misconduct, if established as a result of judicial or administrative proceedings, is not limited by this tariff. The Company's liability if any, with regard to delayed installation of the Company facilities or commencement of service, shall not exceed \$1,000. With respect to any other claim or suit, by a Customer or by any others, for damages associated with the ordering (including the reservation of any specific number for use with a service), installation (including delays thereof), provision, termination, maintenance, repair, interruption or restoration of any service or facilities offered under this tariff, and subject to the provisions of Section 1.7.2, the Company's liability, if any, shall be limited as provided herein.

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1.5 Liability of the Company (continued)

- C The Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless against any claim, loss or damage arising from the use of service offered under this tariff, involving:
1. claims for libel, slander, invasions of privacy or infringement of copyright arising from any communication;
 2. claims for patent infringement arising from combining or using the service furnished by the Company in connection with facilities or equipment furnished by others; or
 3. claims for loss of profit; or
 4. all other claims arising out of any act or omission of others in the course of using services provided pursuant to this tariff.
- D The Company's failure to provide or maintain services under this Tariff shall be excused by labor difficulties, United States governmental orders, United States civil commissions, preemption of existing services to restore services in compliance with Part 64, Subpart D, Appendix A, of the FCC's Rules and Regulations, acts of God and other circumstances beyond the Company's control.

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1.5 Liability of the Company (continued)

- E The Company shall not be liable for the Customer's failure to fulfill its obligations to take all necessary steps including, without limitation, obtaining, installing and maintaining all necessary equipment, materials and supplies for interconnecting the terminal equipment or communications system of the Customer, or any third party acting as its agent, to the Company's exchange access lines. The Customer shall secure all licenses, permits, rights-of-way, and other arrangements necessary for such interconnection. In addition, the Customer shall ensure that its equipment and/or system or that of its agent is properly interfaced with the Company's service, that the signals emitted into the Company's network are of the proper mode, bandwidth, power, data speed, and signal level for the intended use of the Customer and in compliance with the criteria set forth in Section 1.4 and that the signals do not damage Company equipment, injure its personnel or degrade service to other Customers. If the Customer or its agent fails to maintain and operate its equipment and/or system or that of its agent properly, with resulting imminent harm to Company equipment, personnel, or the quality of service to other Customers, the Company may, upon written notice, require the use of protective equipment at the Customer's expense.
- F The failure to give notice of default, to enforce or insist upon compliance with any of the terms and conditions herein, the waiver of any term of conditions herein, or the granting of an extension of time for performance by the Company of the Customer will not constitute the permanent waiver of any term or condition herein. Each of the provisions herein will remain at all times in full force and effect until modified in writing.

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1.5 Liability of the Company (continued)

1.5.1 With Respect to Emergency Number 911 Service

This service is offered solely as an aid in handling assistance calls in connection with fire, police and other emergencies. The Company is not responsible for any losses, claims, demands, suits or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted or asserted by the Customer or by any other party or person for any personal injury to or death of any person or persons and for loss, damage or destruction of any property, whether owned by the Customer or others, caused or claimed to have been caused by: (1) mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors or defects in the provision of this service, or (2) installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, location, or use of any equipment and facilities furnishing this service.

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1.5 Liability of the Company (continued)

1.5.2 With Respect to Directory Listings

- A In the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct, and except for any allowances stated below, no liability for damages arising from errors or mistakes in or omissions of any directory listings, or errors or mistakes in or omissions of listings obtainable from the directory assistance operator, including errors in the reporting thereof, shall attach to the Company.
- B An allowance for errors or mistakes in or omissions of any published directory listings or for errors or mistakes in or omissions of any published directory assistance operator shall be given as follows:
1. Free Listings: For free or non-charged published directory listings credit shall be given at the rate of one times the monthly tariff rate for an additional or charge listing affected for the life of the directory or the charge period during which the error, mistake or omission occurs.
 2. Charge Listings: For each additional or charge published directory listings, credit shall be given at the monthly tariff rate for each such listing for the life of the directory or the charge period during which the error, mistake or omission occurs.
 3. Operator Records: For free or charge listings obtainable from records used by the directory assistance operator, upon notification to the Company of the error, mistake or omission in such records by the subscriber, the Company shall be allowed a period of three business days to make a correction. If the correction is not made in the time, credit shall be given at the rate of 2/20ths of the basic monthly rate for the line or lines in question for each day thereafter that the records remain uncorrected.

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1.5 Liability of the Company (continued)

1.5.2 With Respect to Directory Listings (continued)

4. Credit limitation: The total amount of the credit provided for the preceding paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not exceed, on a monthly basis the total of the charges for each charge listing as specified in paragraph (2), for the line or lines in question.
5. Definitions: As used in paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) above, the terms “error,” “mistake,” or “omission” shall refer to a discrepancy in the directory listing or directory assistance records, which the Company has failed to correct and where the error affects the ability to locate a particular subscriber’s correct telephone number. The terms shall refer to addresses only to the extent that an error, mistake or omission of an address places the subscriber on a street or a community different from the one provided to the Company.
6. Notice: Such allowances or credits as specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) above, shall be given upon notice to the Company by the subscriber that such error, mistake or omission has occurred; provided, however, that when it is administratively feasible for the Company to have knowledge of such error, mistake or omission, the Company shall give credit without the requirement of notification by the subscribers.
7. In the event of an error in the listed number for any Customer, the Company shall intercept all calls to that listed number for the remaining life of the currently published directory, provided existing central office equipment will permit and the number is not in service. In the event of an error or omission in the name listing of a Customer, the Customer’s correct name and telephone number shall be in the files of the directory assistance or intercept operators and the correct number furnished for the calling party either upon request or interception.

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1.6 Directory Listings

- A The Company will, as a service to the Customer, arrange for listing of Customer's phone number in the local white pages telephone directories, such listing to consist of one line of standard type. The Company's liability with respect to directory listings is set forth in Section 1.5.2 preceding. Business customer must contact its yellow pages representative concerning its advertising in yellow pages directories.
- B Upon termination of service, the listed directory number of Customer will be retained by the Company until such time as Customer's outstanding obligations to the Company have been paid, including any estimated final charges.
- C When a Customer with a nonpublished telephone number, as defined herein, places a call to Emergency 911 Service, the Company will release the name and address of the calling party, where such information can be determined, to the appropriate local governmental authority. By subscribing to service under this tariff, Customer acknowledges and agrees with the release of information as described.
- D In conjunction with a nonpublished telephone number, the Company will not be liable for failure or refusal to complete any call to such telephone when the call is not placed by number.

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1.7 Interruptions in Service

An interruption is deemed to have occurred when the Company's system is inoperative. If a Customer reports a facility, service or circuit to be inoperative but declines to release it for testing and repair, it is considered to be impaired, but not interrupted.

1.7.1 Temporary Suspension for Repairs

The Company's underlying provider shall have the right to make necessary repairs or changes in its facilities at any time and will have the right to suspend or interrupt service temporarily for the purpose of making the necessary repairs or changes in its system. When such suspension or interruption of service for any appreciable period is necessary, the Company will give the Customers who may be affected as reasonable notice thereof as circumstances will permit, and will perform the work with reasonable notice thereof as circumstances will permit, and will perform the work with reasonable diligence, and if practicable at times that will cause the Customer the least inconvenience. When the Company's services are being repaired or changed, it shall take appropriate precautions to avoid unnecessary interruptions of Customer's service.

1.7.2 Credit Allowance for Interruptions

A Interruptions of twenty-four (24) hours or more, which are reported to or detected by the Company, and which are not due to the negligence or willful act of the Customer are credited to the Customer in accordance with the following:

1. outages which are less than five (5) days in duration will receive an appropriate credit of the prorated amount of the Customer's monthly service rate;
 - (a) outages which exceed five (5) days in duration will receive a prorated amount of the Customer's monthly service rate for the initial four (4) days, plus an additional \$5.00 per day for the fifth and each subsequent day of the outage, up to the amount of the Customer's monthly service rate.

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1.7 Interruptions in Service (continued)

1.7.2 Credit Allowance for Interruptions (continued)

- B For calculating credit allowances, every month is considered to have 30 days. A credit allowance is applied on a pro rata basis against the monthly recurring charges specified thereunder for local line or local trunk service and is dependent upon the length of interruption. Only those facilities on the interrupted portion of circuit will receive a credit.

1.7.3 Limitations on Credit Allowances

No credit allowances will be made for:

1. interruptions due to the negligence of, or non-compliance with the provisions of this Tariff by the Customer;
2. interruptions which are restored on or before the day after the interruption is reported or discovered by the Company;
3. interruptions due to the negligence of any person other than the Company, but not limited to the Customer or other common carriers connected to the Company's managed network.

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1.8 Obligations of the Customer

The Customer shall be responsible for:

- A the payment of all applicable charges pursuant to this tariff,
- B providing a safe place to work and complying with all laws and regulations regarding the working conditions on the premises at which Company employees and agents shall be installing or maintaining the Company's services.

1.8.1 Claims

- A With respect to any service provided by the Company, Customer shall indemnify, defend and hold the Company harmless from and against all claims, actions, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees for:
 - 1 Any loss, destruction or damage to property of the Company or any third party, or the death or injury to person, including, but not limited to employees or invitees of either party, to the extent caused by or resulting from the negligent or intentional act or omission of the Customer, its employees, agents, representatives or invitees; or
 - 2 Any claim, loss, damage, expense or liability for infringement of any copyright, patent, trade secret, or any proprietary or intellectual property right of any third party, arising from any act or omission by Customer, including, without limitation, use of the Company's services and facilities in a manner not contemplated by the agreement between the Customer and the Company.

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The Customer is not responsible for providing and maintaining any terminal equipment on the Customer premises. The electric power consumed by such equipment shall be provided by, and maintained at the expense of, the Customer. The Company will, where practicable, notify the Customer that temporary discontinuance of the use of a service may be required; however, where prior notice is not practicable, nothing contained herein shall be deemed to impair the Company's right to discontinue forthwith the use of a service temporarily if such action is reasonable under the circumstances. In case of such temporary discontinuance, the Customer will be promptly notified and afforded the opportunity to correct the condition which gave rise to the discontinuance, credit allowance for service interruptions as set forth in Section 1.7.2 is not applicable.

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1.8 Obligations of the Customer (continued)

1.8.3 Interconnection of Facilities

- A Any special interface equipment necessary to achieve compatibility between the facilities and equipment of the Company used for furnishing local exchange service and the channels, facilities, or the equipment of others may be provided at the Customer's expense. Customer shall be liable for damages resulting from Customer's use of non-compatible equipment.
- B Local services may be connected to the services or facilities of other communication carriers only when authorized by, and in accordance with, the terms and conditions of the tariffs of the other communication carriers, which are applicable to such connections.
- C Services furnished under this tariff may be connected to the Customer provided terminal equipment in accordance with the provisions of this tariff.
- D Customer shall not connect any equipment to the Company's network or lines, except with at least ten (10) days prior written notice to the Company.

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1.8 Obligations of the Customer (continued)

1.8.4 Inspections - Business Customers

- A Upon reasonable notification to the Customer, and at a reasonable time, the Company may make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine that the customer is complying with the requirements set forth in Section 1.8.2 for the installation, operation, and maintenance of Customer-provided facilities. No credit will be allowed for any interruptions occurring during such inspections.
- B If the protective requirements for the Customer-provided equipment are not being complied with, the Company may take such action, as it deems necessary to protect its services and personnel. The Company will notify the Customer promptly if there is any need for further corrective action. Within ten days of receiving this notice the customer must take this corrective action and notify the Company of the action taken. If the Customer fails to do this, the company may take whatever additional action is deemed necessary, including the suspension of service, to protect its facilities, equipment and personnel from harm. The Company will, upon request 24 hours in advance, provide the Customer with a statement of technical parameters that the Customer's equipment must meet.

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The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services furnished by the Company to the Customer or its Authorized Users. The Company must receive objections within two years after receipt of bill, or all the charges shall be deemed correct and binding upon the Customer. If an entity other than the Company imposes charges of the Company, in addition to its own internal costs, in connection with a service for which a Company non-recurring charge is specified, those charges may be passed on the customer.

1.9.1 Taxes

The Customer is responsible for the payment of any sales, use, excise, access or other local, state and federal taxes, charges or surcharges (however designated) excluding taxes on the Company's net income imposed on or based upon the provision of local exchange service, all of which shall be separately designated on the Company's invoices. Any taxes imposed by a local jurisdiction (e.g. County and municipal taxes) will only be recovered from those Customers located in the affected jurisdictions. It shall be the responsibility of the Customer to pay any such taxes that subsequently become applicable retroactively.

1.9.2 Surcharges

A surcharge is imposed on all charges for service originating at addresses in states which levy, or assert a claim of right to levy, a tax on interstate access charges incurred by the Company for originating access to telephone exchanges in that state. This surcharge is based on the particular state's receipts tax and other state taxes imposed directly or indirectly upon the Company by virtue of, and measured by, the revenues of the Company in that state and/or payment of interstate access charges in the state. The surcharge will be shown as a separate line item on the Customer's monthly invoice.

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1.9 Payment Arrangements (continued)

1.9.3 Reserved for future use.

1.9.4 Advance Payments and Deposits

- A Applicants for service may be required at any time to provide the Company a security deposit under the rules of the Michigan Public Service Commission. The deposit requested will be in cash or the equivalent of cash, and will be held as a guarantee of the payment of charges. A deposit does not relieve the Customer of the responsibility for the prompt payment of bills on presentation. A deposit may be required in addition to an advance payment.

- B The deposit for Business Customers will not exceed an amount equal to four months' of the Customer's estimated monthly billing, based upon the average monthly bill for that class and type of service.

- C The deposit for Residential Customers will not exceed \$150.00 per access line.

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1.9.4 Advance Payments and Deposits (continued)

- D The Company will not require a cash deposit or other guarantee as a condition of obtaining Basic Local Exchange Service unless the Residential Applicant refuses to produce identification that can be readily and inexpensively verified or if the prospective Customer has a history of payment default within the past sixty (60) months for telecommunications services. The Company is not obligated to provide Service to a household under any name if an outstanding bill exists at the address and the person responsible for that bill still resides at that address.

1.9.5 Refund of Deposits

- A A deposit will be refunded to a Customer after twelve consecutive months of prompt payments of telephone service invoices. The Company may at its option either credit the amount on the Customer's bill or refund the deposit by direct payment.
- B When a service or facility is discontinued, the amount of a deposit, if any, will be applied to the Customer's account and any credit balance remaining will be refunded within 45 days from the date of termination. Before the service or facility is discontinued, the Company may, at its option, return the deposit or credit it to the Customer's account.

1.9.6 Interest to Be Paid on Deposits

- A Deposits held will accrue interest at a rate paid on the United States Savings Bonds, Series EE. Interest will not accrue on any deposit after the date on which reasonable effort has been made to return it to the Customer.

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1.9 Payment Arrangements (continued)

1.9.7 Bills and Collection of Charges

- A Bills will be rendered monthly to Customer. Fixed monthly recurring charges are billed in advance. Usage charges and minimum charges for service are billed in arrears. Customer shall be liable for all accrued local charges, directory charges, long distance charges and other charges arising prior to the service commencement date, as defined herein, and shall pay the Company for any such charges which may be assessed against the Company in any manner.
- B All service, installation, monthly recurring charges and non-recurring charges are due and payable upon receipt.
- C The Company shall present bills for recurring charges monthly to the Customer, in advance of the month which service is provided.
- D The Customer is responsible for the payment of charges for all Services furnished, including but not limited to, all call originated or accepted at Customer's service location regardless of the Carrier providing service.

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1.9 Payment Arrangements (continued)1.9.7 Bills and Collection of Charges (continued)

- E For new customers or existing customers whose service is disconnected, the charge for the fraction of the month in which service was furnished will be calculated on a pro rata basis. For this purpose, every month is considered to have 30 days.
- F A Residential Customer shall have not less than seventeen (17) calendar days from the date of rendition of each bill for full payment. The date of rendition of the Company's bill for basic local exchange service to Residential Customers shall be the date of physical mailing of the bill by the Company to the Customer. If the last calendar day for remittance falls upon a Sunday, legal holiday, or any other day when the offices of the Company are not open for receipt of payments, the final payment date shall be extended through the next business day.
- G Amounts not paid within 30 days after the due date are considered past due. A late payment charge of 1.5%, or lower if required by law, per month shall apply to amounts shown on a monthly bill which remain after the due date. The late payment charge does not apply to any taxes the Company is required by law to levy on a customer. In the event the Company incurs fees or expenses, including attorney's fees, in collecting or attempting to collect any charges owed the Company, the Customer will be liable to the Company for payment of all such fees and expenses reasonably incurred.
- H If Customer chooses to place information services provider (ISP) calls or receives calls via a non-affiliated carrier, customer will be liable for all charges related to such calls; including without limitation, charges billed to the Company or Customer by ISP or other carriers, any applicable rebilling charge and charges for any service provided by the Company or its affiliates.

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1.9 Bills and Collection of Charges (continued)

1.9.8 Reserved for future use.

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1.10 Discontinuance of Service

- A Upon any termination of the communication service agreement, the listed directory number of Customer will be returned to Customer only at such time as Customer's outstanding obligations to the Company have been paid in full, including estimated final charges.

1.10.1 Discontinuance of Service by the Company

- A The Company may discontinue or suspend service to Business Customers upon five (5) days prior written notice without incurring any liability for the following reasons:
- (1) Upon failure to pay a past due bill owed to the Company for a regulated basic local exchange service;
 - (2) Upon failure of the Customer to meet the deposit requirements set out in Section 1.9.3 of this Tariff; or
 - (3) Upon failure of the Customer to provide the Company reasonable access to its equipment and property; or
 - (4) Upon Customer's misuse of the services provided;
 - (5) Upon refusal of the Customer to furnish information to the Company regarding its past or current use of common carrier communication services, or its planned use of service; or
 - (6) Upon reason to believe that the Customer has used a device or scheme to obtain service without payment where the Company has so notified the Customer prior to discontinuance.

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1.10 Discontinuance of Service (continued)

1.10.1 Discontinuance of Service by the Company (continued)

- B The Company may discontinue service to Business Customers immediately and without notice for any of the following reasons without incurring liability:
- (1) Upon finding that the Customer or Applicant has provided insufficient or fraudulent billing information, invalid or unauthorized telephone numbers; or
 - (2) Upon finding that the Customer or Applicant has provided false information to the Company regarding their identity, address, credit-worthiness, its part or current use of common carrier communications services, or its planned use of service; or
 - (3) Upon statement of the Customer or Applicant that it will not comply with a request of the Company for a deposit or an advance in accordance with this Tariff; or
 - (4) Upon finding that Customer's use of the service constitutes a violation of either the provisions of this Tariff, or of any laws, government rules, regulation, or policies; or
 - (5) Upon any order or decision of a court or other governmental authority prohibiting the Company from offering such service; or
 - (6) Upon any governmental prohibition, or required alteration of the services to be provided, or any violation of any applicable law or regulation;

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1.10 Discontinuance of Service (continued)

1.10.1 Discontinuance of Service by the Company (continued)

- (7) Upon use of the service by Customer for any fraudulent, unlawful or criminal purpose; or
- (8) Reserved for future use.
- (9) Reserved for future use.
- (10) Upon the Customer's insolvency, assignment for the benefit of creditors, filing for bankruptcy or reorganization, failing to discharge an involuntary petition within the time permitted by law, or abandonment of service; or
- (11) Upon the Company's finding that such discontinuance is necessary to protect against fraud or otherwise protect its personnel, agents, facilities, or service(s); or
- (12) Upon finding by the Company that Customer or Applicant presents undue risk of nonpayment and refuses to comply with the deposit requirements set forth herein; or
- (13) Upon failure to pay past due bill of a previous Customer on the premises to be served, provided that the Applicant for Service voluntarily signed a form agreeing to assume responsibility for the bills of a previous Customer.

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1.10 Discontinuance of Service (continued)1.10.1 Discontinuance of Service by the Company (continued)

- C Without liability, the Company will discontinue service to Residential Customers pursuant to the Commission's Billing Standards for Basic Residential Telecommunications Service.
- (1) Nonpayment of a delinquent account.
 - (2) Failure to post a cash security deposit or other form of guarantee.
 - (3) Unauthorized interference with or use of the telephone utility service situated on or about the Customer's premises.
 - (4) Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of a settlement agreement.
 - (5) Refusal to grant access at reasonable times to equipment installed upon the premises of the Customer for the purpose of inspection, maintenance, or replacement.
 - (6) Misrepresentation of identity for the purpose of obtaining telephone utility service.
 - (7) Improper use of a party line service, including interference with an equitable proportionate use of the service by other customers on the line.
 - (8) Violation of any other rules of the telephone utility on file with, and approved by, the Commission, which adversely affects the safety of the Customer or other persons or the integrity of the utility's telephone system.
- D The discontinuance of service by the Company pursuant to this section does not relieve the Customer of any obligations to pay the Company for charges due and owing for service(s) furnished during the time or up to discontinuance of service.
- E Upon the Company's discontinuance of service to Customer pursuant to this section, all applicable charges, including termination charges, shall become due. This is in addition to all other remedies that may be available to the Company at law or in equity or under any other provision of this tariff.

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1.10 Discontinuance of Service (continued)

1.10.2 Discontinuance of Service by Business Customer

- A If Customer cancels a service order or terminates service before the completion of the term for any reason whatsoever other than a service interruption (as defined in 1.7), Customer agrees to pay to Company the following sums which shall become due and owing as of the effective date of the cancellation or termination and be payable within the period set forth in 1.10.6, all costs, fees, and expenses incurred in connection with:
- (1) all non-recurring charges reasonably expended by Company to establish service to Customer, plus
 - (2) any disconnection, early cancellation or termination charges reasonably incurred and paid to third parties by Company on behalf of Customer, plus
 - (3) all recurring charges specified in the applicable service order or tariff for the balance of the then current term.

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1.10 Discontinuance of Service (continued)

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1.11 Restoration of Service

- A When Customer's service has been disconnected in accordance with this tariff and the service has been terminated through the completion of a Company service order, service will be re-established only upon the basis of an application for new service.
- B After basic local exchange service has been shut off, Company shall restore service promptly, but not later than 1 (one) working day after Customer's request, when the cause for shut off of service has been cured or credit arrangements satisfactory to Company have been made.
- C Any payments required for service restoration may be made by Customer in any reasonable manner. Company may refuse payment by personal check if Customer has tendered payment in this manner and the check has been dishonored during the last 3 (three) years, excluding bank error.
- D Before restoring service, the Company may require 1 (one) or more of the following:
 - (1) Payment of the total amount due on all of Customer's delinquent and shutoff accounts for basic local exchange service and regulated toll service owed to Company.
 - (2) An arrangement or settlement agreement requiring the payment of all amounts owed to the Company for basic local exchange service and regulated toll service.
 - (3) Payment of an amount provided by tariff for basic local exchange service restoration.
 - (4) A security deposit or payment guarantee not to exceed \$150 per access line.

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1.12 Transfers and Assignments

- A Neither the Company nor the Customer may assign or transfer its rights or duties in connection with the services provided by the Company without the written consent of the other party, except that the Company may assign its rights and duties (i) to any subsidiary, parent Company affiliate of the Company; (ii) pursuant to any sale or transfer of substantially all the assets of the Company; or (iii) pursuant to any financing, merger or reorganization of the Company.

1.13 Notices and Communications

- A The Customer shall designate on the Service order an address to which the Company shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that Customer may also designate a separate address to which the Company's bills for service shall be mailed.
- B The Company shall designate on the Service Order an address to which the Customer shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that Company may designate an address on the bill for service to which the Customer shall mail payment for that bill.
- C All notices or other communications required to be given pursuant to this tariff will be in writing. Notices and other communications of either party, and all bills mailed by the Company, shall have been presumed to have been delivered to the party on the third business day following the deposit of the notice, communication or bill with the U.S. Mail or a private delivery service, prepaid and properly addressed, or when actually received or refused by the addressee, whichever occurs first.
- D The Company or Customer shall advise the other party of any changes to the addresses designated for notices, other communications or billing, by following the procedures for giving notice set forth herein.

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1.14 Promotional Offers

- A The Company may, from time to time, make promotional offerings of its services. The promotional offerings will not exceed 90 days in a year.

1.15 Reserved for future use.

1.16 Customer Service

- A Customer service personnel are available 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. EST, Monday - Friday.

1.17 Classification of Service

- A The determination as to whether telephone service should be classified as Business or Residential is based on the character of the use to be made of the service. Service is classified as Business service where the use is primarily or substantially of a business, professional, institutional, or otherwise occupational nature. Where the business use, if any, is incidental and where the major use is a social or domestic nature, service is classified as Residential if installed in a residence.

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1.17 Classification of Service (continued)

1.17.1 Business Locations

A Business classification will apply to the following:

- (1) In offices, stores and factories, and in quarters occupied by clubs, lodges, fraternal societies, schools, colleges, libraries, hospitals, and other business establishments;
- (2) In residence locations where the place of residence is in the immediate proximity to a place of business and it is evident that the telephone in the residence is or will be used for business purposes; and in residence locations where business rates would apply;
- (3) In the residence of a practicing physician, dentist, veterinary, surgeon or other medical practitioner who has no business service at another location;
- (4) In any residence location where there is substantial business use of the service, and the customer has no business service elsewhere.

1.17.2 Residential Locations

A Residential locations will apply at the following:

- (1) In private residences, in the residential portion of hotels, apartment houses, boarding houses, churches, or institutions when the use of the service is confined to the domestic use of the Customer and listings of a business character are not furnished;
- (2) In the residence of a practicing physician, dentist, veterinarian, surgeon or other medical practitioner provided that such residence is not part of an office building and provided the Customer has business service at another location.

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1.18 Application of Boundary Designations

Boundaries designations may be found on the maps in Section 3 of this Tariff. Each Customer's establishment is considered to be within only one Exchange or Zone service area, except as provided for below. The term "establishment," as used in this Tariff denotes the actual building occupied by the Customer, rather than the property associated with such building.

1.18.1 Exchange (or Zone of a District Exchange) Boundaries

- A Where the boundary is designated as a road (street or highway), the service area includes both sides of the road when associated general plant facilities of the underlying carrier serving the area are located along one side of the road. A Customer's establishment located on the far side of the boundary road is considered to be within the service area if that establishment has an address on the road and can be served by associated aerial or buried general plant facilities of the underlying carrier, not to exceed 500 feet airline distance, measured from the center of the road, to the nearest point on the Customer's establishment.
- B Service will not be extended to Customer's establishment located on the far side of the boundary road under the following circumstances:
- (1) Where the Customer's establishment can be served by the underlying carrier's associated general plant facilities provided from the exchange in which the establishment is located, as determined by the underlying carrier;
 - (2) Where there are associated general plant facilities of the underlying carrier on both sides of the boundary road;
 - (3) Where the Customer's establishment is part of a complex (trailer park, shopping center, apartment cluster, etc), on the continuous property, a portion of which exceeds the measurement of 300 feet.

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1.18.1 Exchange (or Zone of a District Exchange) Boundaries (continued)

- C Where the boundary is designated as the center of the road (street or highway) each side of the road is in a different service area.
- D Where the boundary is designated as a river (stream) or railroad, each side of the river or railroad is in a different service area.
- E Where the boundary divides a lake, the shore of the lake is in different service areas in accordance with the boundary designation at the shore line.
- F Where the boundary is designated as a township section line, or a specified distance from a township section line or from a road, Customers' establishments are served in accordance with their location with respect to such boundary line. When such a line is other than the section line or one-quarter or one-half mile from a section line, the location of the boundary line with respect to the section line or road will be shown in feet or fractional miles on the Tariff map sheet.

1.19 Reserved for future use.

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1.20 Lifeline Services

- A Lifeline service applies to discounts to monthly recurring rates for qualifying residential customers. These discounts apply to existing tariffed rates and charges for residential telephone service. Lifeline service is available only with Residential service, excluding foreign exchange service. Lifeline service is limited to one line per household at the Customer's primary residence.
- B In order to be eligible for Lifeline service, a residential customer's annual household income must be at or below 150% of the poverty level, as determined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget and as approved by the State treasurer.
- C The Lifeline plan will apply after receipt and processing of a completed Lifeline application, including documentation indicating that the household income meets the eligibility requirements.
- D The discount on the monthly tariffed rate shall be \$8.25 or 20%, whichever is greater, which shall be inclusive of any federal contribution below the regulated rate. For persons 65 or older, this discount shall be \$8.25 or 25%, whichever is greater, which shall be inclusive of any federal contribution below the regulated rate. The total contribution shall not exceed 100% of all end-user common line charges and the basic local exchange rate.
- E The Company shall not disconnect Lifeline Service for non-payment of toll charges by qualifying customers.
- F. The Company shall provide, at the qualifying Customer's option, toll blocking service at no charge. The Company defines toll blocking as a service provided by the Company that lets the Customer elect not to allow the completion of outgoing toll calls from their telecommunications channel.

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1.21 Telecommunications Relay Service

Telecommunications Relay Service enables hearing- or speech-impaired persons who use a text telephone or similar device to communicate freely with the hearing population for using the text telephone or vice versa. The Company does not impose any charge to end users for access to Telecommunications Relay Service; however, person using the Service are liable for applicable per call/increment charges.

1.22 Link up Program

- A A discount on the line connection charges, specified elsewhere in this tariff, is also available to qualifying customers, for the installation or transfer of service from one residential premises to another.
- B In order to be eligible for the Link Up Program, a residential customer's household income must be at or below 150% of the poverty level as determined by the United States Office Management and Budget and as approved by the State Treasurer.
- C A qualifying customer may receive a reduction in the installation charges or transfer of service charges, for connection at the customer's principle place of residence of half the customary charge, or \$30.00, whichever is less.
- D A qualifying customer may then make payments for the connection charges on a deferred schedule in which the qualifying customer does not pay interest. The interest charges not charged to the qualifying customer shall be for connection charges of up to \$200.00 that are deferred for a period not to exceed one year. Charges assessed for installation or transfer of service include any charges that the Company customarily assesses to connect subscribers to the network.
- E A qualifying customer can receive the benefits of the Link Up Program for a second time only for a principle place of residence with an address different from the residence address at which the Link Up assistance was provided previously.

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1.23 Emergency 911 Service

Allows customers to reach appropriate emergency services, including police, fire and medical services. Enhanced 911 has the ability to selectively route an emergency call to the primary E911 provider so that it reaches the correct emergency service located closest to the caller. In addition, the Customer's address and telephone information will be provided to the primary E911 provider for display at the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP).

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Part 2 – General Terms and Conditions

2.1 General

A The Company's local residential service enables the Customer to:

- (1) receive calls from other stations on the public switched telephone network;
- (2) place calls to other stations on the public switched telephone network;
- (3) access the Company's business office for service related assistance; access directory assistance for the local calling area; access toll free telecommunications services; access enhanced 911 services for emergency calling; access Telephone Relay Service; and
- (4) access the interexchange network. A customer may presubscribe to the carrier of their choice for interLATA calling, or Customer may access a provider on an *ad hoc basis* by dialing the provider's Carrier Identification Code (10XXX).

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2.2 Local Measured Service Rates – Business

<u>Term</u>	<u>Line Rate</u>	<u>Per Call Usage</u>
Month-to-Month	\$12.81	\$0.076
1 Year	\$12.81	\$0.076
2 Years	\$12.81	\$0.076
3 Years	\$12.81	\$0.076

2.2.1 Local Measured Service Rates – Residential

<u>Term</u>	<u>Line Rate</u>	<u>Per Call Usage</u>
Month-to-Month	\$10.30	\$0.07
1 Year	\$10.30	\$0.07
2 Years	\$10.30	\$0.07
3 Years	\$10.30	\$0.07

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2.4 Service Conversion Charges

A service conversion charge will apply when an existing line is converted to local service.

2.4.1 Rate

\$51.00 per existing line converted.

2.4.2 Service Conversion Fee Waiver

Service conversion fees are eligible for waiver with applicable term plans:

<u>Term</u>	<u>Waiver</u>
Month-to-Month	0%
1, 2, or 3 year term	100%

2.5 Installation Charges

Installation charges will apply when a new line is added to a new or existing account.

2.5.1 Rate

\$25.00 per new line added

\$100.00 per hour for tech premise visit

\$5.00 - \$20.00 jacks

Any wiring or additional work is priced on an individual basis.

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2.6 Directory Listings

2.6.1 Residence Directory Listings

- A A listing must be the name of the customer to who service is furnished or the name of a member of the Customer's domestic establishment.
- B One listing may be provided without additional charge for each individual Customer.
- C The listing of a telephone in the residence of a professional person such as a physician, dentist, veterinary surgeon, osteopathic physician, doctor of divinity, etc., may include the professional degree provided that the listing is not more than an individual name.
- D The listing of a telephone in the residence of a nurse may include the word "nurse."
- E The listing of a telephone in a clergyman's residence or church study may include the abbreviation "Rev." following the clergyman's name except that when the listing includes the professional degree "DD" the abbreviation "Rev." is not shown.
- F A combined given name listing consisting of the given names of two individuals who have the same surname and reside at the same address, or another given name by which the listed person is known, or the given name of a deceased spouse is permitted.

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2.10 Pay Per Call Blocking

A Calls to numbers with prefixes 900 and 976 will be blocked at no charge at the Customer's request.

2.11 Number Changes - Business Customers

A When a Customer's telephone number is changed, the Company shall intercept all calls to the Customer's former number for not less than three months. The Company shall place a number referral on the line giving the calling party the Customer's new number, subject to equipment limitations, number availability, customer permission, and payment of the tariffed number referral charge, if any.

B When additions or changes in the plant of the underlying carrier or any other provider operations necessitate changing telephone numbers to a group of customers, the Company shall give reasonable notice to all affected customers even though the additions or changes may be coincidental with a directory issue.

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Part 3 – Maps and Legal Descriptions

Easton hereby mirrors the Map and Legal Description tariffs of the exchanges, by company, listed below to identify its service territory. Any future modifications to these exchange boundaries or legal descriptions of these boundaries will be automatically mirrored by Easton on a going forward basis. If not mirrored, new detailed maps and legal descriptions, on an individual basis, will be filed with the M.P.S.C. for approval.

1. Ann Arbor Exchange of Ameritech
2. Armada Exchange of Ameritech
3. Auburn Heights Exchange of Ameritech
4. Belleville Exchange of Ameritech
5. Birmingham Exchange of Ameritech
6. Carleton Exchange of Ameritech
7. Center Line Exchange of Ameritech
8. Clarkston Exchange of Ameritech
9. Commerce Exchange of Ameritech
10. Detroit - Area 1 Exchange of Ameritech
11. Detroit - Area 2 Exchange of Ameritech
12. Detroit - Area 3 Exchange of Ameritech
13. Detroit - Area 4 Exchange of Ameritech
14. Detroit - Area 5 Exchange of Ameritech
15. Detroit - Area 6 Exchange of Ameritech
16. Drayton Plains Exchange of Ameritech
17. Farmington Exchange of Ameritech
18. Flat Rock Exchange of Ameritech
19. Holly Exchange of Ameritech
20. Kalamazoo Exchange of Ameritech
21. Lake Orion Exchange of Ameritech
22. Livonia Exchange of Ameritech
23. Milan Exchange of Ameritech
24. Monroe Exchange of Ameritech
25. Mt. Clemens Exchange of Ameritech
26. New Baltimore Exchange of Ameritech
27. New Boston Exchange of Ameritech
28. New Haven Exchange of Ameritech

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- 29. Northville Exchange of Ameritech
- 30. Oxford Exchange of Ameritech
- 31. Plymouth Exchange of Ameritech
- 32. Pontiac Exchange of Ameritech
- 33. Rochester Exchange of Ameritech
- 34. Rockwood Exchange of Ameritech
- 35. Romeo Exchange of Ameritech
- 36. Romulus Exchange of Ameritech
- 37. Royal Oak Exchange of Ameritech
- 38. Southfield Exchange of Ameritech
- 39. South Lyon Exchange of Ameritech
- 40. Trenton Exchange of Ameritech
- 41. Troy Exchange of Ameritech
- 42. Utica Exchange of Ameritech
- 43. Walled Lake Exchange of Ameritech
- 44. Washington Exchange of Ameritech
- 45. Wayne Exchange of Ameritech
- 46. West Bloomfield Exchange of Ameritech
- 47. Willis Exchange of Ameritech
- 48. Wyandotte Exchange of Ameritech
- 49. Ypsilanti Exchange of Ameritech

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Part 4 – Exchange Access Services

4.1 Local Calling Areas

<u>Exchange or Zone</u>	<u>Local Calling Area</u>
Ann Arbor	Ann Arbor, Chelsea, Dexter, Manchester, Milan, Plymouth, Saline#, South Lyon, Whitmore Lake, Ypsilanti
Armada	Armada, Romeo
Auburn Heights	Auburn Heights, Birmingham, Pontiac, Rochester, Troy, Utica
Belleville	Belleville, New Boston, Romulus, Wayne, Willis, Ypsilanti
Birmingham	Birmingham, Auburn Heights, Pontiac, Royal Oak, Southfield, Troy, West Bloomfield
Carleton	Carleton, Flat Rock, Monroe, New Boston
Center Line	Center Line, Detroit Areas 2 and 3, Roseville, Royal Oak, Warren
Clarkston	Clarkston, Commerce, Drayton Plains, Lake Orion, Ortonville#, Oxford, Pontiac
Commerce	Commerce, Clarkston, Drayton Plains, Milford-White Lake#, Pontiac, Walled Lake, West Bloomfield
Detroit - Area 1	Detroit - All Areas
Detroit - Area 2	Detroit - All Areas, Center Line, Roseville
Detroit - Area 3	Detroit - All Areas, Center Line, Roseville, Royal Oak

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<u>Exchange or Zone</u>	<u>Local Calling Area</u>
Detroit - Area 4	Detroit - All Areas, Royal Oak, Southfield
Detroit - Area 5	Detroit - All Areas, Farmington, Livonia, Southfield
Detroit - Area 6	Detroit - All Areas, Livonia, Romulus, Wayne, Wyandotte
Drayton Plains	Drayton Plains, Clarkston, Commerce, Lake Orion, Oxford, Pontiac
Farmington	Farmington, Detroit Area 5, Livonia, Northville, Southfield, Walled Lake, West Bloomfield
Flat Rock	Flat Rock, Carleton, New Boston, Rockwood, Romulus, Trenton, Wyandotte
Holly	Holly, Fenton
Kalamazoo	Kalamazoo, Augusta#, Climax#, Delton#, Galesburg, Gobles#, Hickory Corners#, Lawton#, Mattawan#, Otsego, Paw-Paw#, Pine Lake#, Plainwell, Richland, Schoolcraft#, Scotts, Vicksburg
Lake Orion	Lake Orion, Clarkston, Drayton Plains, Oxford, Pontiac, Rochester
Livonia	Livonia, Detroit Areas 5 and 6, Farmington, Northville, Plymouth, Wayne
Milan	Milan, Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti
Monroe	Monroe, Carleton, Ida#, Maybee#, Newport#

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<u>Exchange or Zone</u>	<u>Local Calling Area</u>
Mt. Clemens	Mt. Clemens, New Baltimore, New Haven, Roseville, Utica, Warren, Washington
New Baltimore	New Baltimore, Algonac, Mt. Clemens, New Haven
New Boston	New Boston, Belleville, Carleton, Flat Rock, Romulus, Willis, Wyandotte
New Haven	New Haven, Mt. Clemens, New Baltimore, Washington
Northville	Northville, Farmington, Livonia, Plymouth, South Lyon, Walled Lake
Oxford	Oxford, Clarkston, Drayton Plains, Lake Orion, Pontiac
Plymouth	Plymouth, Ann Arbor, Livonia, Northville, South Lyon, Wayne, Ypsilanti
Pontiac	Pontiac, Auburn Heights, Birmingham, Clarkston, Commerce, Drayton Plains, Lake Orion, Milford-White Lake#, Ortonville#, Oxford, Rochester, Walled Lake, West Bloomfield
Rochester	Rochester, Auburn Heights, Lake Orion, Pontiac, Troy, Utica, Washington
Rockwood	Rockwood, Flat Rock, Trenton, Wyandotte
Romeo	Romeo, Armada, Washington
Romulus	Romulus, Belleville, Detroit Area 6, Flat Rock, New Boston, Wayne, Wyandotte

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4.1 Local Calling Areas (continued)

<u>Exchange or Zone</u>	<u>Local Calling Area</u>
Royal Oak	Royal Oak, Birmingham, Center Line, Detroit Areas 3 and 4, Southfield, Troy, Warren
Southfield	Southfield, Birmingham, Detroit Areas 4 and 5, Farmington, Royal Oak, West Bloomfield
South Lyon	South Lyon, Ann Arbor, Northville, Plymouth
Trenton	Trenton, Flat Rock, Rockwood, Wyandotte
Troy	Troy, Auburn Heights, Birmingham, Rochester, Royal Oak, Warren
Utica	Utica, Auburn Heights, Mt. Clemens, Rochester, Warren, Washington
Walled Lake	Walled Lake, Commerce, Farmington, Northville, Pontiac, West Bloomfield
Washington	Washington, Mt. Clemens, New Haven, Rochester, Romeo, Utica
Wayne	Wayne, Belleville, Detroit Area 6, Livonia, Plymouth, Romulus, Ypsilanti
West Bloomfield	West Bloomfield, Birmingham, Commerce, Farmington, Pontiac, Southfield, Walled Lake
Willis	Willis, Belleville, New Boston, Ypsilanti
Wyandotte	Wyandotte, Detroit Area 6, Flat Rock, New Boston, Rockwood, Romulus, Trenton

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4.1 Local Calling Areas (continued)

<u>Exchange or Zone</u>	<u>Local Calling Area</u>
Ypsilanti	Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor, Belleville, Milan, Plymouth, Wayne, Willis

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4.2 List of Exchanges or Zones with Service Offerings

<u>Exchange or Zone</u>	<u>BUSINESS Measured Trunk or 1-Party</u>	<u>RESIDENCE Call Plan 50</u>	<u>RESIDENCE Call Plan 400</u>
Ann Arbor	X	X	X
Armada	X	X	X
Auburn Heights	X	X	X
Belleville	X	X	X
Birmingham	X	X	X
Carleton	X	X	X
Center Line	X	X	X
Clarkston	X	X	X
Commerce	X	X	X
Detroit - Area 1	X	X	X
Detroit - Area 2	X	X	X
Detroit - Area 3	X	X	X
Detroit - Area 4	X	X	X

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<u>Exchange or Zone</u>	<u>BUSINESS Measured Trunk or 1-Party</u>	<u>RESIDENCE Call Plan 50</u>	<u>RESIDENCE Call Plan 400</u>
Detroit - Area 5	X	X	X
Detroit - Area 6	X	X	X
Drayton Plains	X	X	X
Farmington	X	X	X
Flat Rock	X	X	X
Holly	X	X	X
Kalamazoo	X	X	X
Lake Orion	X	X	X
Livonia	X	X	X
Milan	X	X	X
Monroe	X	X	X
Mt. Clemens	X	X	X
New Baltimore	X	X	X

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<u>Exchange or Zone</u>	<u>BUSINESS Measured Trunk or 1-Party</u>	<u>RESIDENCE Call Plan 50</u>	<u>RESIDENCE Call Plan 400</u>
New Boston	X	X	X
New Haven	X	X	X
Northville	X	X	X
Oxford	X	X	X
Plymouth	X	X	X
Pontiac	X	X	X
Rochester	X	X	X
Rockwood	X	X	X
Romeo	X	X	X
Romulus	X	X	X
Royal Oak	X	X	X
Southfield	X	X	X
South Lyon	X	X	X

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<u>Exchange or Zone</u>	<u>BUSINESS Measured Trunk or 1-Party</u>	<u>RESIDENCE Call Plan 50</u>	<u>RESIDENCE Call Plan 400</u>
Trenton	X	X	X
Troy	X	X	X
Utica	X	X	X
Walled Lake	X	X	X
Washington	X	X	X
Wayne	X	X	X
West Bloomfield	X	X	X
Willis	X	X	X
Wyandotte	X	X	X
Ypsilanti	X	X	X

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4.3 Index of Cities, Villages and Townships

The following list of exchanges and zones shows, by County, the incorporated cities, villages and townships that are wholly or partly within the assigned area of each exchange or zone. (Villages are indicated by “Vill” and Townships are indicated by “Twp.”)

ANN ARBOR EXCHANGE

Washtenaw County

City	Ann Arbor
Vill	Barton Hills
Twp	Ann Arbor
Twp	Freedom
Twp	Lima
Twp	Lodi
Twp	Northfield
Twp	Pittsfield
Twp	Salem
Twp	Scio
Twp	Superior
Twp	Webster

ARMADA EXCHANGE

Macomb County

Vill	Armada
Twp	Armada
Twp	Lenox
Twp	Ray
Twp	Richmond

St. Clair County

Twp	Berlin
Twp	Riley

AUBURN HEIGHTS ZONE

Oakland County

City	Auburn Hills
City	Rochester Hills
Twp	Bloomfield

BELLEVILLE EXCHANGE

Wayne County

City	Belleville
Twp	Sumpter
Twp	Van Buren

BIRMINGHAM ZONE

Oakland County

City	Birmingham
City	Bloomfield Hills
City	Southfield
City	Troy
Vill	Beverly Hills
Vill	Bingham Farms
Twp	Bloomfield
Twp	Southfield

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CARLETON EXCHANGE

Monroe County

Vill Carleton
 Twp Ash
 Twp Exeter

Wayne County

Twp Huron
 Twp Sumpter

CENTER LINE ZONE

Macomb County

City Center Line
 City Warren

CLARKSTON ZONE

Oakland County

Vill Clarkston
 Twp Brandon
 Twp Groveland
 Twp Independence
 Twp Orion
 Twp Springfield
 Twp White Lake

COMMERCE ZONE

Oakland County

Twp Commerce
 Twp Waterford
 Twp West Bloomfield
 Twp White Lake

DETROIT ZONE

Macomb County

City St. Clair Shores

Wayne County

City Allen Park
 City Dearborn
 City Dearborn Heights
 City Detroit
 City Ecorse
 City Grosse Pointe
 City Grosse Pointe Farms
 City Grosse Pointe Park
 City Grosse Pointe Woods
 City Hamtramck
 City Harper Woods
 City Highland Park
 City Inkster
 City Lincoln Park
 City Livonia
 City Melvindale
 City River Rouge
 City Romulus
 City Taylor
 City Westland
 Vill Grosse Pointe Shores
 Twp Grosse Pointe
 Twp Redford

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DRAYTON PLAINS ZONE

Oakland County

City Lake Angelus
 Twp Independence
 Twp Waterford
 Twp White Lake

FARMINGTON ZONE

Oakland County

City Farmington
 City Farmington Hills
 City Novi

Wayne County

City Livonia

FLAT ROCK EXCHANGE

Monroe County

Twp Ash
 Twp Berlin

Wayne County

City Flat Rock
 City Woodhaven
 Twp Brownstown
 Twp Huron

HOLLY EXCHANGE

Oakland County

Vill Holly
 Twp Groveland
 Twp Holly
 Twp Rose
 Twp Springfield

KALAMAZOO EXCHANGE

Kalamazoo County

City Kalamazoo
 City Parchment
 City Portage
 Twp Comstock
 Twp Cooper
 Twp Kalamazoo
 Twp Oshtemo
 Twp Pavilion
 Twp Richland
 Twp Schoolcraft
 Twp Texas

LAKE ORION ZONE

Oakland County

Vill Lake Orion
 Twp Addison
 Twp Oakland
 Twp Orion
 Twp Oxford

LIVONIA ZONE

Wayne County

City Garden City
 City Livonia
 City Westland

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MILAN EXCHANGE

Lenawee County

Twp Macon

Monroe County

City Milan

Twp London

Twp Milan

Washtenaw County

Twp Augusta

Twp Saline

Twp York

MONROE EXCHANGE

Monroe County

City Monroe

Twp Erie

Twp Frenchtown

Twp La Salle

Twp Monroe

Twp Raisinville

MT. CLEMENS EXCHANGE

Macomb County

City Mt. Clemens

City Sterling Heights

Twp Chesterfield

Twp Clinton

Twp Harrison

Twp Macomb

NEW BALTIMORE EXCHANGE

Macomb County

City New Baltimore

Twp Chesterfield

Twp Lenox

St. Clair County

Twp Casco

Twp Clay

Twp Ira

NEW BOSTON EXCHANGE

Wayne County

Twp Huron

Twp Sumpter

NEW HAVEN EXCHANGE

Macomb County

Vill New Haven

Twp Chesterfield

Twp Lenox

Twp Macomb

Twp Ray

St. Clair County

Twp Casco

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NORTHVILLE EXCHANGE

Oakland County

City Farmington Hills
 City Novi
 City Wixom
 Twp Lyon

Washtenaw County

Twp Salem

Wayne County

City Northville
 Twp Northville

OXFORD ZONE

Lapeer County

Twp Dryden
 Twp Hadley
 Twp Metamora

Oakland County

Vill Leonard
 Vill Oxford
 Twp Brandon
 Twp Independence
 Twp Oxford

PLYMOUTH EXCHANGE

Washtenaw County

Twp Salem
 Twp Superior

Wayne County

City Plymouth
 City Westland
 Twp Canton
 Twp Northville
 Twp Plymouth

PONTIAC ZONE

Oakland County

City Auburn Hills
 City Keego Harbor
 City Lake Angelus
 City Orchard Lake
 City Pontiac
 City Rochester Hills
 City Sylvan Lake
 Twp Bloomfield
 Twp Independence
 Twp Oakland
 Twp Orion
 Twp Waterford
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ROCHESTER ZONE

Macomb County

Twp Shelby
 Twp Washington

Oakland County

City Rochester
 City Rochester Hills
 Twp Oakland

ROCKWOOD EXCHANGE

Monroe County

Vill South Rockwood
 Twp Berlin

Wayne County

City Flat Rock
 City Gibraltar
 City Rockwood
 Twp Brownstown

ROMEIO EXCHANGE

Macomb County

Vill Romeo
 Twp Armada
 Twp Bruce
 Twp Ray
 Twp Washington

Oakland County

Twp Addison
 Twp Oakland

ROMULUS ZONE

Wayne County

City Romulus
 City Taylor
 Twp Brownstown
 Twp Huron
 Twp Van Buren

ROYAL OAK ZONE

Oakland County

City Berkley
 City Clawson
 City Ferndale
 City Hazel Park
 City Huntington Woods
 City Madison Heights
 City Oak Park
 City Pleasant Ridge
 City Royal Oak
 City Troy
 Twp Royal Oak

SOUTHFIELD ZONE

Oakland County

City Lathrup Village
 City Southfield
 Vill Bingham Farms

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SOUTH LYON EXCHANGE

Livingston County

Twp Green Oak

Oakland County

City South Lyon

Twp Lyon

Washtenaw County

Twp Northfield

Twp Salem

WALLED LAKE ZONE

Oakland County

City Novi

City Walled Lake

City Wixom

Vill Wolverine Lake

Twp Commerce

Twp Novi

Twp West Bloomfield

TRENTON ZONE

Wayne County

City Gibraltar

City Trenton

City Woodhaven

Twp Brownstown

Twp Grosse Ile

WASHINGTON EXCHANGE

Macomb County

Twp Macomb

Twp Ray

Twp Shelby

Twp Washington

Oakland County

Twp Oakland

TROY ZONE

Oakland County

City Troy

WAYNE ZONE

Wayne County

City Inkster

City Romulus

City Wayne

City Westland

Twp Canton

Twp Van Buren

UTICA EXCHANGE

Macomb County

City Sterling Heights

City Utica

Twp Macomb

Twp Shelby

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WEST BLOOMFIELD ZONE

Oakland County

City Farmington Hills
 City Orchard Lake
 Vill Franklin
 Twp Bloomfield
 Twp West Bloomfield

WILLIS EXCHANGE

Washtenaw County

Twp Augusta
 Twp Ypsilanti

Wayne County

Twp Sumpter

WYANDOTTE ZONE

Wayne County

City Riverview
 City Southgate
 City Taylor
 City Trenton
 City Wyandotte
 Twp Brownstown
 Twp Grosse Ile

YPSILANTI EXCHANGE

Washtenaw County

City Ypsilanti
 Twp Augusta
 Twp Pittsfield
 Twp Superior
 Twp York
 Twp Ypsilanti

Wayne County

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