

SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Certain terms used generally throughout this Tariff are defined in this section. Other terms having reference only to a specific Service offered by Company may be defined in the sections applicable to that Service.

Access Line: A circuit providing Exchange Service between a Customer's standard network interface and a serving switching center.

Applicant: The individual, firm, partnership, association, corporation, municipality, cooperative organization, governmental agency, etc., which has applied to Company for Services provided as set forth in this Tariff.

Activation Fee: Non-recurring charges assessed at the establishment of a Service.

Authorized User: A person, firm, corporation or other entity that either is authorized by the Customer to use Service or is placed in a position by the Customer, either through acts or omissions, to use Service. Also see "End-User."

Basic Local Exchange Service: Service that includes the following:

- * Single-party Service;
- * Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- * Support for local use;
- * Dual tone multifrequency signaling (touch-tone);
- * Access to emergency Services (911);
- * Access to operator Services;
- * Access to Interexchange Services;
- * Access to directory assistance; and
- * Toll limitation Services.

Called Station: The terminating point of a call (i.e., the called number).

Carrier: An entity certified by the Commission to provide telecommunications Services within the State of New York.

Central Office: A switching unit, in one location of a telecommunications system providing Service to the general public, having the necessary equipment and operating arrangements for terminating and interconnecting lines.

Channel: A communications path between two or more points of termination.