

## **SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**

### **2.5. PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS, Continued**

#### **2.5.1. Establishment of Service, Continued**

##### **B. Establishment of Credit**

1. Request for Service under this Tariff will authorize Company to conduct a credit search on the Customer. Company may refuse Service on the basis of credit history and may refuse further Service due to late payment or nonpayment by the Customer.
2. In order to assure the proper payment of all Customer-incurred charges for Service, Company will require Applicants for Service and Customers to establish and maintain acceptable credit.
3. The establishment or re-establishment of credit by an Applicant or Customer will not relieve the Applicant or Customer from compliance with other responsibilities, including the payment of advance payments or bills, and in no way modifies the provisions concerning disconnection and termination of Service for failure to pay Customer-incurred charges for Service rendered by Company.
4. Company may refuse to furnish Service to an Applicant that has not paid charges for Service of the same classification previously furnished by Company until, at the option of Company, the Applicant pays any past due bill and/or makes deposit arrangements suitable to Company.
5. If the verification of credit results in unsatisfactory credit information, the Applicant will be informed of the reason or reasons for denial of credit, after which Company may refuse to provide or continue Service pursuant to applicable Commission regulations or State law.