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SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS (CONT'D.)

1.1 Definitions of Terms (Cont'd.)

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Calling Station - The telephone number from which a Call originates. Called Station - The telephone number called.

Carrier or Common Carrier - See Interexchange Carrier or Exchange Carrier. An entity other than VT that provides telecommunications services.

Carrier Identification Code - Denotes a numeric code that is assigned by Te1cordia to long distance carriers for the provisioning of Feature Group Band/or D trunk side Access Service. The numeric code uniquely identifies the carrier.

Carrier Customer - A Carrier that accesses the network of VT to reach End-Users who are not telecommunications carriers, and subsequently receives intrastate switched access service from VT. A Carrier that purchases exchange access service from VT is responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with VT's regulations and applicable state law.

Central Office - Denotes a local Company switching system where Telephone Exchange Service Customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks.

Channel(s) - Denotes an electrical or photonic, in the case of fiber optic based transmission systems, communications path between two or more points of termination.

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