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SECTION 1 – GENERAL INFORMATION

1.5 DEFINITIONS (Cont'd)

<u>Registered Equipment</u>: The term "Registered Equipment" as used in this tariff denotes equipment which complies with and has been approved within the registration provisions of Part 68 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulation.

<u>Service Order</u>: The written request for TCG services executed by the Customer and the Company in the format devised by the Company. The signing of a Service Order Form by the Customer and acceptance by the Company initiates the respective obligations of the parties as set forth therein and pursuant to this tariff.

<u>Serving Wire Center</u>: A serving wire center denotes the wire center from which the Customer designated premises would normally obtain dial tone from the Company.

<u>Shared</u>: A facility or equipment system or subsystem which can be used simultaneously by several Customers.

<u>Standard Network Interface</u>: The point where Company network services or facilities terminate and the Company's responsibility for installing and maintaining such services or facilities ends.

<u>Synchronous</u>: A method of transmission in which information being transmitted over a line is controlled by a timing device.

<u>Synchronous Optical Network (SONET)</u>: A set of international standards for fiber based transmission systems. SONET defines standard optical carrier transmission rates and utilizes a modular multiplexing signal approach based on the application of Synchronous Transport Signals.

<u>Tariff</u>: The rates, charges, rules and regulations adopted and filed by the Company with the New York Public Service Commission.

Termination: Permanent disconnection of telecommunications service.

<u>Termination Charge</u>: A charge applied under certain conditions when a contract for service is terminated by the Customer before the expiration of the minimum contract period.

Transmission Path

The Transmission Path denotes an electrical path capable of transmitting signals within the range of the service offering, e.g., a voice grade transmission path is capable of transmitting voice frequencies within the approximate range of 300 to 3000 Hz. A transmission path is comprised of physical or derived facilities consisting of any form or configuration of plant typically used in the telecommunications industry.