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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued

2.16. HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS' SUPPORT PROGRAM

2.16.1. General

The purpose of the Health Care Providers Support Program is to enable public and non-profit rural health care providers to have access to telecommunications services necessary for the provision of health care services at rates comparable to those paid for similar services in urban areas. The Health Care Providers Program offers eligible public and non-profit health care providers located in rural areas reduced rates for Company intrastate services available in this Tariff. Such Services must be purchased in accordance with the Rules adopted by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in its Universal Service Order 97-157, issued May 8, 1997 and codified at 47 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) 54.601 *et. seq.*. and any amendments made thereto.

- A. To be eligible for the reduced rates, rural health care providers are required to comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the FCC rules.
- B. Reduced rates are available only to the extent that they are funded by the federal universal service fund.
- C. Eligible rural health care providers may aggregate demand with other entities to create a consortium. Universal service support shall apply only to the portion of eligible service used by an eligible health care provider.
- D. Responsibility of eligible health care providers:
 - 1. Rural health care providers and consortia shall participate in a competition bidding process for all services eligible for reduced rates in accordance with any state and local procurement rules.

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