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**d/b/a EarthLink Business**  
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SECTION 4 - ISSUANCE, PAYMENT AND CREDITING OF CUSTOMER BILLS (CONT'D.)

4.1 Responsibility of the Telephone Company (Cont'd.)

4.1.7 Billing Dispute (Cont'd.)

- E. If a LEC disputes a bill within three months of the payment date and pays the total billed amount after the payment date and the billing dispute is resolved in favor of the LEC, the LEC will receive a credit for a disputed amount penalty from the Telephone Company for the period starting with the date of payment and ending on the date of resolution. The credit for a disputed amount penalty shall be as set forth following. In addition, the late payment penalty applied to the disputed amount resolved in the LEC's favor (refer to Section 4.1.3) will be credited.
- F. If a LEC disputes a bill within three months of the payment date and does not pay the disputed amount or does not pay the billed amount (i.e., the non-disputed and disputed amount), and the billing dispute is resolved in favor of the LEC, the LEC will not receive a credit for a disputed amount penalty from the Telephone Company. The late payment penalty applied to the disputed amount resolved in the LEC's favor as set forth in Section 4.1.3 will be credited.
- G. If a LEC disputes a bill after three months from the payment date and pays the total billed amount on or before the dispute date or after the dispute date but prior to the date of resolution, and the billing dispute is resolved in favor of the LEC, the LEC will receive a credit for a disputed amount penalty from the Telephone Company for the period starting with the date of dispute (if the payment was received before or on the dispute date) or the date of payment (if the payment was received after the dispute date) and ending on the date of resolution. The credit for a disputed amount penalty shall be as set forth following. The LEC will not receive a credit for the late payment penalty applied to the disputed amount resolved in the LEC's favor if the payment was received on or before the dispute date. If the payment was received after the dispute date but prior to the date of resolution, the LEC will receive a credit for a late payment penalty applied to the disputed amount resolved in the LEC's favor times a late payment penalty factor for the period starting with the date of dispute and ending on the date of payment. The penalty factor shall be as set forth in Section 4.1.3.