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NETWORK INTERCONNECTION SERVICES TARIFF

SECTION 1 - TARIFF INFORMATION AND GENERAL REGULATIONS (CONT'D.)

1.3 Tariff Terminology (Cont'd.)

1.3.2 Definitions (Cont'd.)

Transmission Path - 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 channels consisting of any form or configuration of facilities used in the telecommunications industry.

Trunk - A transmission path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

Trunk Circuit Identification Code - The number assigned to each switched trunk to identify it to the SS7 signaling system.

Trunk Group - A set of trunks which are traffic engineered as a unit for the establishment of connections between switching systems in which all of the communications paths are interchangeable.

Trunk Side Connection - The connection of a transmission path to the trunk side of a local exchange switching system.

Uniform Service Order Code - A three or five character alphabetic, numeric, or an alphanumeric code that identifies a specific item of service or equipment. USOCs are used in the Telephone Company billing system to generate recurring rates and NRCs.

User Service Information Parameter - A mandatory SS7 parameter which carries bearer capability information. It is contained in the SS7 initial address message and is used for call routing. The USI parameter specifies the transmission requirements of a call.

V&H Coordinates Method - A method of computing airline miles between two points by utilizing an established formula which is based on the vertical and horizontal coordinates of the two points.

Wire Center - A building in which one or more central offices or access tandems are located.

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