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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D.)

2.7 Validation of Credit

- 2.7.1 The Company reserves the right to validate the credit worthiness of Subscribers through available credit verification procedures. Credit shall be deemed established if:
- A. The applicant demonstrates that he is a satisfactory credit risk by appropriate means including, but not limited to, the production of substantive references that may be quickly and inexpensively checked by the Company;
  - B. The applicant has been a Customer of the Company for a similar type of service within a period of twenty-four consecutive billings preceding the date of application and during the last twelve consecutive billings for that prior service has not had service discontinued for non-payment of bill or had more than one occasion in which a bill was not paid within the period prescribed by the reasonable regulations of the Company on file with the Commission; provided, that the average periodic bill for such previous service was equal to at least fifty per centum of that estimated for the new service; and provided further, that the credit of the applicant is unimpaired;
  - C. An applicant for service who previously has been a Customer of the Company and whose service has been discontinued by the Company during the last twelve (12) billings of the prior service because of nonpayment of bills, may be required to reestablish credit, except that an applicant for residential service shall not be denied service for failure to pay such bills for classes of nonresidential service.