

ADVANCED DATA SERVICES

DEFINITION OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

The following definitions are applicable to this tariff:

ACCESS LINE - A local channel for voice, data, or video communications which connects the Customer location to a location of the Company or its underlying carrier or service provider.

ACCESS LOCAL LOOP - A dedicated line and related facilities that connects the Customer location to the Company's Point of Presence (POP). Access Local Loop facilities are attached at both ends of an end-to-end circuit.

ACCOUNT - The Customer who has agreed, orally or in writing, to honor the terms of service established by the Company. An Account may have more than one service or telephone number and/or telephone numbers billed to the same Customer address. An Account may include multiple locations for the same Customer.

ADDITIONAL LOGICAL CHANNELS - Additional communications channels on a given Network Address allowing a Customer to establish permanent virtual circuits between multiple locations and maintain a high degree of flexibility in configuring the network.

ANALOG 2/4 WIRE E&M VOICE - Describes two point tie line type voice communication service.

AUTHORIZATION CODE - A pre-defined series of numbers to be dialed by the Customer upon access to the Company's system to identify the caller and validate the caller's authorization to use the services provided. The Customer is responsible for charges incurred through the use of his or her assigned Authorization Code. An example of an Authorization Code is a calling card account number and personal identification number.

COMMITTED INFORMATION RATE (CIR) - A feature that provides Customers with a mechanism for prioritizing data on a per Permanent Virtual Circuit (PVC) basis across a given User Network Interface (UNI). A CIR allows a sustained throughput at a chosen rate without having any frames designated "discard eligible" under normal operating conditions.

CONTIGUOUS BIT RATES - Fractional DSI digital data transmission speeds which support the full and open utilization of the distinct bandwidth provided. A contiguous fractional DS1 circuit is treated as a single channel through the networks, unlike non-contingent fractional OSI (not offered with this tariff) which provides multiple DS0's treated as separate channels through the network.

CUSTOMER - Any person, firm, partnership, corporation or other entity who subscribes to or uses service under the terms and conditions of this tariff. The Customer is responsible for the payment of charges for service offered by the Company which are subscribed to or used by the Customer. The Customer is also responsible for payment of charges for a third person's use of service to which the Customer subscribes.