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INTRASTATE LOCAL SERVICE

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SECTION 2. RULES AND REGULATIONS

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances. (Continued)

D. Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions

(1) General

A service is interrupted when it becomes unusable to the customer because of a failure of a facility component used to furnish service under this tariff or in the event that the protective controls applied by the Company result in the complete loss of service by the customer as set forth in 6.5.1 following. An interruption period starts when an inoperative service is reported to the Company, or when the Company becomes aware of the service interruption, and ends when the service is operative.

(2) When a Credit Allowance Applies

In case of an interruption to any service, allowance for the period of interruption, if not due to the negligence of the customer, shall be as follows:

- (a) The adjustment shall be, at a minimum, a credit on the monthly bill for basic local exchange service and any associated taxes and surcharges proportional to the duration of the service interruption, with each occurrence of the loss of service for eight or more hours during the 24-hour period counting as one day. For the purpose of administering this paragraph, every month is considered to have 30 days. The customer shall be credited for an interruption of eight (8) hours or more at the rate of 1/30 of any applicable monthly rates.
- (b) The credit allowance(s) for an interruption or for a series of interruptions shall not exceed any monthly rate for the service interrupted in any one monthly billing period.