

LOCAL EXCHANGE TARIFF  
NEW YORK METROPOLITAN LOCAL AND TRANSPORT AREA

M. REWARDING CONNECTIONS®

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1. General

Rewarding Connections® provides a discount on qualifying Home Region and Bands A, B, C and D usage and inter-region Regional Call Plan calling, Upstate toll calling, Toll-Free Service calls, Toll-Free Discount Plan, Toll-Free Term Plan and WATS 800 IntraLATA calling charges in exchange for a qualifying usage commitment from the customer. The customer has the option of including local usage only or local and toll usage under the plan. Customers who qualify under Enrollment Option 1, below, have the option of including toll usage only. The discount provided to the customer increases as the number of years on the plan increases. Discounts will be based on the aggregate usage charges for qualifying calls on a state-wide basis for the customer's specified Billed Telephone Numbers (BTNs). Additional discounts will also be available for individual BTNs based on the qualifying usage charges for those BTNs. Only those customers who qualify for the aggregate discount can qualify for the individual BTN discount.

In addition, the customer will receive a ten cent (10¢) credit for each dollar of aggregate qualifying usage charges, after application of all discounts under the plan ("Selected Service Credit"). The Selected Service Credit may be used by the customer to purchase the additional products/services specified in the Attachment to this Tariff, or may be applied as a credit toward qualifying usage charges under the plan. The plan is available to business customers only. A customer may qualify for the plan under Enrollment Option 1 or Enrollment Option 2.

Enrollment Option 1

Under this option a customer must have had qualifying usage charges of at least \$75,000 during the "base period" to be eligible for the plan. A customer with qualifying usage charges of at least \$10,000,000 during the "base period" has the option to select toll only for individual BTN's within the plan. The base period for the plan is the most recent twelve month period, within the last twenty-four months preceding the customer's enrollment in the plan, for which data are available. If such data are not available, the customer's qualifying usage charges for the most recent three months for which data are available will be annualized to determine the amount of base period qualifying usage charges.

For customers under Enrollment Option 1, during each year of the plan the discounts as specified in Paragraph M.3. will apply to qualifying usage charges in excess of 80% of the base period level of such charges. During each year of the plan the customer agrees to maintain 80% of the base period qualifying usage charges to receive all discounts and credits under the plan ("Minimum Commitment").

Enrollment Option 2

For the first year of the plan, the customer may select a base period qualifying usage level (Tier 1, 2 or 3) as specified in Paragraph M.3.b. provided that the minimum usage level of the selected tier does not exceed the customer's base period qualifying usage charges calculated as set forth in Enrollment Option 1. At the end of the first year of the plan, the customer's actual pre-discounted qualifying usage charges incurred during the first year of the plan shall be used as the base period qualifying usage charges for subsequent years of the plan.

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