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DEFINITIONS – (CONT'D)

NONRECURRING CHARGE or NRC - The initial charge, usually assessed on a one-time basis; to install equipment and facilities to establish Service.

OPEN SHORTEST PATH FIRST or OSPF - A link-state routing protocol that is used to calculate routes based on the number of routers, transmission speeds, delays and route cost.

OPTICAL CARRIER CHANNEL or OC - The high speed optical communications path for transporting information utilizing a synchronous optical network

PACKET - The fundamental unit of communication on the Internet.

PEERING POINT - The voluntary interconnection of administratively separate Internet networks for the purpose of exchanging traffic between the customers of each network. This requires physical interconnection of the networks, an exchange of routing information and is often accompanied by peering agreements.

PLANT TEST DATE or PTD - The date on which installation is completed and the Company to Customer testing can begin.

POINT OF PRESENCE or POP - The physical point where Company has a presence for network access and meets the facilities of Customer or another Service Provider.

POINT OF TERMINATION - The point of demarcation within an End User Premises at which the Company's responsibility for the provision of Service ends. The point of demarcation is the point of interconnection between Company facilities and Customer provided facilities as defined in Part 68 of the Federal Communications Rules and Regulations.

PRIVATE METRO ETHERNET PATH - A point-to-point, dedicated optical data service that encapsulates Ethernet traffic into the network. The Service provides fixed bandwidth and a dedicated connection for a highly reliable, secure solution.

QUALITY OF SERVICE or QOS - The performance specification of a communications channel or system. QoS may be quantitatively indicated by channel or system performance parameters, such as signal-to-noise ratio (S/N), bit error ratio (BER), message throughput rate, and call blocking or packet dropping probability.

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