

---

LOCAL AND INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TARIFF

---

**SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D.).**

**2.5 OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER**

**2.5.1 General**

A. The Customer shall be responsible for:

1. The payment of all applicable charges pursuant to this Tariff;
2. Damage to or loss of the Company's facilities or equipment caused by the acts or omissions of the Customer or of any User, or by the noncompliance by the Customer or any User with these regulations, or by fire or theft or other casualty on the Customer's or any User's premises, unless caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the employees or agents of the Company;
3. Obtaining, maintaining, and otherwise having full responsibility for all rights-of-way and conduit necessary for installation of lines, facilities and associated equipment used to provide Service to the Customer from the Customer's property line to the location of the equipment space described above. Any and all costs associated with obtaining and maintaining the rights-of-way described herein, including the costs of altering the structure to permit installation of Company-provided facilities, shall be borne entirely by, or may be charged by the Company to, the Customer. The Company may require the Customer to demonstrate its compliance with this Section prior to accepting an order for Service;
4. Not creating or allowing to be placed any liens or other encumbrances on the Company's equipment or facilities; and
5. Making the Company's facilities and equipment available periodically for maintenance purposes at a time agreeable to both the Company and the Customer. No allowance will be made for the period during which Service is interrupted for such purposes.