SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D.)

2.10 Billing and Payment For Service (Cont'd.)

2.10.2 Minimum Period

The minimum period for which Services are provided and for which rates and charges are applicable is one (1) month unless otherwise specified in this tariff or by mutually agreed upon contract. When a Service is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, charges are applicable, whether the Service is used or not.

2.10.3 Payment for Service

- A. All charges due by the Customer are payable to the Company or any agent duly authorized to receive such payments. Terms of payment shall be according to the rules and regulations of the Company or its agent and subject to the rules of regulatory bodies having jurisdiction.
- B. Non-Recurring Charges for installations, Service connections, moves or rearrangements are due and payable upon receipt of the Company's invoice by the Customer. At the Company's discretion, payment of all or a portion of any Non-Recurring Charges may be required prior to commencement of facility or equipment installation or construction required to provide the Services requested by the Customer.
- C. The Company shall present invoices for Recurring Charges monthly to the Customer, in advance of the month in which Service is provided or as otherwise agreed in writing by the Company and the Customer.
- D. When billing is based upon Customer usage, usage charges will be billed monthly in arrears for Service provided in the preceding billing period, or as otherwise agreed in writing by the Company and the Customer.
- E. Customer billing will begin on the Service Commencement Date. Billing accrues through and includes the day that the Service, circuit, arrangement or component is discontinued.
- F. When Service does not begin on the first day of the month, or end on the last day of the month, the charge for the fraction of the month in which Service was furnished will be calculated on a pro-rata basis. For this purpose, every month is considered to have 30 days.
- G. Amounts not paid within 30 days after the mailing date of invoice will be considered past due.
- H. Company reserves the right, in accordance with New York State law, to bill Customer for any unbilled Recurring, Non-Recurring, or usage charges for any prior periods.

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