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## SECTION 2 - GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

### 2.15 Explanation of Terms (Cont'd)

#### STANDARD NETWORK INTERFACE

The point where Company network services or facilities terminate and the Company's responsibility for installing and maintaining such services or facilities ends.

#### STATION

Each telephone on a line and where no telephone associated with the line is provided on the same premises and in the same building, the first termination in station key equipment or a jack for use with a portable telephone.

#### SUSPENSION

Suspension of service for nonpayment is interruption of outgoing service only. Suspension of service at the subscriber's request is interruption of both incoming and outgoing service.

#### SYNCHRONOUS

Transmission in which there is a constant time interval between bits, characters or events.

#### SYNCHRONOUS OPTICAL NETWORK (SONET)

A set of International standards for fiber based transmission systems. SONET defines standard optical carrier transmission rates and utilizes a modular multiplexing signal approach based on the application of Synchronous Transport Signals.

#### TELEPHONE CALL

A voice connection between two or more telephone stations through the public switched exchange system.

#### TELEPHONE GRADE LINES

Lines furnished for voice transmission or for certain signaling purposes.

#### TERMINATION OF SERVICE

Discontinuance of both incoming and outgoing service.