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SECTION 2 - REGULATIONS

2.11 Definitions (Cont'd)

<u>Serving Wire Center</u>: A serving wire center denotes the wire center from which the Customer designated premises would normally obtain dial tone from the Company.

<u>Shared</u>: A facility or equipment system or subsystem which can be used simultaneously by several Customers.

<u>Standard Network Interface</u>: The point where Company network services or facilities terminate and the Company's responsibility for installing and maintaining such services or facilities ends.

<u>Synchronous</u>: A method of transmission in which information being transmitted over a line is controlled by a timing device.

<u>Synchronous Optical Network (SONET)</u>: 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.

<u>Tariff</u>: The rates, charges, rules and regulations adopted and filed by the Company with the New York Public Service Commission.

Termination: Permanent disconnection of telecommunications service.

<u>Termination Charge</u>: A charge applied under certain conditions when a contract for service is terminated by the Customer before the expiration of the minimum contract period.

<u>Trunk</u>: A circuit connecting two PBX systems for the purpose of intercommunicating between the stations connected with such PBX switching apparatus. The circuit is not intended to provide for general exchange service through either of the PBX systems with which it connects.

<u>Type I Channels</u>: Type I digital channels are provided where both endpoints of a channel are served by the Company's network. Type 1 Channels are offered at 44.736 Mbps. 6.312 Mbps, 1.544 Mbps, and DS0 levels.

Type II Channels: Type II digital channels are provided where at least one endpoint of a channel is served by the network of an entity with whom the Company's network is interconnected; such channels are provided via a combination of the Company's facilities and the facilities of the interconnected entity. Channels where both endpoints are served by an interconnected entity's network will be provided at the Company's sole discretion on an Individual Case Basis (ICB). Type II Channels are provided at 44.736 or 1.544 Mbps, as well as at DS0.

<u>User</u>: Any person who uses telecommunications service provided by a company under the jurisdiction of the New York Public Service Commission.

<u>Voice Grade Facility</u>: A communications path between two points comprised of any form or configuration of physical plant capable of and typically used in the telecommunications industry for transmission within the frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hertz.