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SECTION 5-MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE (MTS)

5.3 AT&T LONG DISTANCE SERVICE (Cont'd)

5.3.3 INITIAL AND ADDITIONAL PERIODS

B. Timing of Messages

The time when connection is established, as provided in 1. below, determined in accordance with the time--Standard or Daylight Saving--legally or commonly in use at the point where the calling station is located, determines whether Rate Period 1, 2 or 3 rates apply. This rule applies irrespective of whether the call is paid for by the calling customer or billed to another number.

When a message is established in one rate period and ends in another, the rate in effect in each rate period applies to the portion of the message occurring within that rate period. In the event that a minute of use is split between two rate periods, the rate in effect at the start of that minute applies.

1. On Station calls, chargeable time begins when connection is established between the calling telephone and the called telephone, Miscellaneous Common Carrier mobile radio system or PBX System.
2. On Person calls, chargeable time begins when connection is established between the calling person and the particular person, station or mobile unit specified or an agreed alternate.
3. Chargeable time ends when the calling station "hangs-up", thereby releasing the network connection. If the called station "hangs-up" but the calling station does not, chargeable time ends when the network connection is released either by automatic timing equipment in the telephone network or by the Company operator.
4. Chargeable time does not include time lost because of faults or defects in the service.
5. When exchange service or AT&T WATS service is connected to a Customer provided communications system through a service terminating arrangement or connecting arrangement, under the provisions of Section 3, chargeable time begins when a call from the telecommunications network terminates in or passes through the first multi-line terminating system or terminal equipment on that communications system. It is the Customer's responsibility to furnish appropriate answer supervision to the point of connection with the telephone service so that chargeable time may begin.

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