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## 2.5 PAYMENTS AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

## 2.5.6 Advance Payments and Deposits

- A. Advance Payment - An advance payment may be required before a local channel service is provided when a Customer has a history of late payments to AT&T or when a Customer's financial responsibility is not a matter of record. The advance payment will equal the charges for the minimum payment period. In addition, the advance payment will include an amount equal to the estimated nonrecurring charges and one month's recurring charges (if any) when special construction is involved. The advance payment will be credited on the Customer's bill(s). A deposit may apply in addition to an advance payment, see B. following.
- Deposits To safeguard its interests, AT&T may also require a Customer which has a proven history В. of late payments to AT&T or whose financial responsibility is not a matter of record, to make a deposit to be held as a guarantee for the payment of charges. A deposit does not relieve the Customer of the responsibility for the prompt payment of bills on presentation. The deposit will not exceed an amount equal to the sum of the charges for the minimum payment period for the local channel service.

If a Termination Charge or a Maximum Termination Liability is specified, the deposit may include an additional amount. This additional amount will not exceed the maximum charge(s) specified for the Termination Charge or Maximum Termination Liability.

- Interest on a Cash Deposit Simple interest at the rate specified by the P.S.C. will be paid to the Customer for the period that a cash deposit is held by AT&T.
- 2. Return of a Deposit A deposit will be credited to a Customer's account, and any credit balance remaining will be refunded, when the Customer has established credit, or when the Customer has established a prompt payment record with AT&T for one year, or when the local channel service for which the deposit had been required, is discontinued.

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