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SECTION 8 - BILLING AND COLLECTION (Cont'd)

8.5 MEET POINT BILLING

In cases where the Customer chooses to originate and/or terminate its traffic with the Company which then is either sent for termination to another Local Exchange Carrier's (LEC) network or is handed to the Company by a LEC for Company termination, Meet Point Billing (MPB) will apply. MPB means that both the Company and the other LEC will issue bills to the Customer for services rendered per terms of either Parties applicable tariffs or other arrangements or, more commonly, a multiple-bill, multiple tariff arrangement.

It is the obligation of the interconnected LEC, in the instances where traffic is originated via a Company Customer and switched and transported by the Company to interconnected LECs, to contractually arrange with the Company for presentation of records necessary for billing of a Customer's traffic. In the absence of such an arrangement, the Company assumes that interconnected LECs have sufficient information to bill relevant Customer's per their standard billing formats and governing documents.

With this multiple-bill, multiple tariff and meet point connection, both the Company and the other LEC will prepare its own bill and bill charges in accordance with its own tariff. Other arrangements may be made that are mutually agreeable to both the Company and the Customer. Mileage sensitive charges will be proportionately billed in accordance with industry standards.

8.6 CHARGEABLE OPTIONAL FEATURES

800 Database Access Service is provided to all customers in conjunction with switched access service. When a 1+800+XXX-XXXX call is originated by an end user, the Company will utilize the SS7 network to query an 800 database to identify the Customer to whom the call will be delivered, and to provide vertical features based on the dialed digits. The call will then be routed to the identified Customer over switched access.

A Basic or Vertical Feature Query charge is assessed for each query launched to the 800 database. The Basic Query provides for the identification of the customer to whom the call will be delivered and includes area of service routing which allows routing of 800 calls by telephone companies to different interexchange carriers based on the Local Access Transport Area (LATA) in which the call originates. The Vertical Feature Query provides the same customer identification function in addition to vertical features which may include: (1) call validation, ensuring that call originates from subscribed service areas; (2) POTS translation of 800 numbers; (3) alternate POTS translation, which allows subscribers to vary the routing of 800 calls based on factors such as time of day, place of origin of the call, etc.; (4) multiple carrier routing, which allows subscribers to route to different carriers based on factors similar to those in (3).

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