

Service Order: The request for facilities or Service by an Applicant or Customer. See also ASR.

Signaling System 7 ("SS7"): The common channel out of band signaling protocol developed by the Consultative Committee for International Telephone and Telegraph (CCITT) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

Signaling Transfer Point Access: Allows the Customer to access a specialized switch which provides SS7 network access and performs SS7 messaging, routing and screening.

Switched Access: Access to or from the switched network of a LEC for the purpose of originating or terminating communications.

Station: Telephone equipment from or to which calls are placed.

Telecommunications Relay Service ("TRS"): Enables deaf, hard-of-hearing or speech-impaired persons who use a text telephone or similar device to communicate freely with the hearing population not using text telephone and vice versa.

Termination of Service: Discontinuance of both incoming and outgoing Service.

Trunk: A communications path, connecting two switching systems, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.