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3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.14 Emergency/Crisis/Disaster Restoration and Provisioning – Telecommunications Service Priority

3.14.1. General

The Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) Program is a federal program a. used to identify and prioritize telecommunications services that support national security or emergency preparedness (NS/EP) missions.

> NS/EP services are defined as those telecommunications services which are used to maintain a state of readiness or respond to and manage any event or crisis which causes or could cause injury or harm to the population, damage or loss to property, or degrades or threatens the NS/EP posture of the United States.

> TSP restoration and/or provisioning shall be provided in accordance with Part 64, Appendix A of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations (47 C.F.R.), and the "Service Vendor Handbook For The Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) Program" and the "Service User Manual for the Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) System" (NCS Manual 3-1-1) (Service User Manual) issued and updated as necessary by the Office of Priority Telecommunications (OPT) of the National Communications System. Any changes to or reissuance of these regulations or manuals supersede tariff language contained herein.

- b. The TSP program has two components, restoration and provisioning.
 - A restoration priority is applied to new or existing i. telecommunications services to ensure restoration before any other services during a service outage. TSP restoration priorities must be requested and assigned before a service outage occurs.
 - ii. A provisioning priority is obtained to facilitate priority installation of new telecommunications services during a service outage. Provisioning on a priority basis becomes necessary when an end-user has an urgent requirement for a new NS/EP service that must be installed immediately or by a specific due date that can be met only by a shorter than standard or expedited Company provisioning time frame. As a matter of general practice, existing TSP services will be restored before provisioning new TSP services.

3.14.2. TSP Request Process – Restoration

To request a TSP restoration priority assignment, a prospective TSP user must:

- determine that the user's telecommunications service supports an NS/EP function a. under one of the following four TSP categories.
 - 1. National Security Leadership
 - National Security Posture and U.S. Population Attack Warning 2.
 - 3. Public Health, Safety, and Maintenance of Law and Order
 - 4. Public Welfare and Maintenance of National Economic Posture

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