

SECTION 3 - SERVICE AND RATE DESCRIPTIONS

3.1 Access Services (cont'd.)

3.1.4 Other Rate Categories (cont'd)

(B) Local Exchange Service (Reciprocal Compensation) (cont'd)

(2) Description

Local Exchange Service is a service offering providing trunk side access to the Company's end office switches in the terminating direction only, for use by authorized providers of local exchange telephone service for the completion of local exchange calls that originate in the State of New York and terminate to the Company's end users in the State of New York. Local Exchange Service must be provided to a Point of Interface (POI) which will be established jointly by the Company and the customer at a location within the State of New York and in the same LATA as the Company end office at which the local exchange call will terminate. Local Exchange Service provides a transmission path between the POI and the Company's end user. Complying with NYPSC Orders and in the absence of negotiated arrangements between the Company and a common carrier, the Company's reciprocal compensation arrangements to common carriers will be no higher than those of the incumbent carrier providing service in the region.

(3) Obligations of the Local Exchange Provider

(a) The Company may request an annual audit of the authorized local exchange provider billings for Local Exchange Services (calls originating from the Company's end-user to the authorized local exchange provider's end user). The audit requirement is needed to ensure accurate billing between local exchange calls and non-local exchange calls.

(b) The authorized local exchange provider will be requested to provide a forecast of total usage by each trunk group or facility ordered from the Company for each POI used in a Local Exchange Service arrangement.

(4) Rating of Local Exchange Service

For billing purposes, Local Exchange Service calls originating from an authorized local exchange provider and terminating on the Company's network (for completion to a Company end user) will be rated at the Company's end office.

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