

Section 2 - GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.8 SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION OF SERVICE (Cont'd)

2.8.4 Termination For Cause Other Than Nonpayment

A. General

The Company, after notice in writing to the customer and after having given the customer an appropriate opportunity to respond to such notice, may terminate service and sever the connection(s) from the customer's premises under the following conditions:

- 1) in the event of prohibited, unlawful or improper use of the facilities or service, or any other violation by the customer of the rules and regulations governing the facilities and service furnished, or
- 2) if, in the judgment of the Company, any use of the facilities or service by the customer may adversely affect the Company's personnel, plant, property or service. The Company shall have the right to take immediate action, including termination of the service and severing of the connection, without notice to the customer when injury or damage to telephone personnel, plant, property or service is occurring, or is likely to occur, or
- 3) in the event of unauthorized use, where the customer fails to take reasonable steps to prevent the unauthorized use of the facilities or service received from the Company, or
- 4) in the event that service is connected for a customer who is indebted to the Company for service or facilities previously furnished, that service may be terminated by the Company unless the customer satisfies the indebtedness within 20 days after written notification. See Section 2.10.7 regarding Deferred Payment Agreements.

B. Prohibited, Unlawful or Improper Use of the Facilities or Service

Prohibited, unlawful or improper use of the facilities or service includes, but is not limited to:

- 1) The use of facilities or service of the Company without payment of tariff charges;
- 2) Calling or permitting others to call another person or persons so frequently or at such times of the day or in such manner as to harass, frighten, abuse or torment such other person or persons;
- 3) The use of profane or obscene language;
- 4) The use of the service in such a manner such that it interferes with the service of other customers or prevents them from making or receiving calls;
- 5) The use of a mechanical dialing device or recorded announcement equipment to seize a customer's line, thereby interfering with the customer's use of the service;
- 6) Permitting fraudulent use.

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