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6. SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE

6.7 RATE TERMS AND CONDITIONS (Cont'd)

6.7.6 FEATURE GROUP D USAGE MEASUREMENT

FGD access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each tandem, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each tandem.

The following assumed minutes are used in the computation of Switched Access Service charges.

A. Originating Usage Measurement

Out of Band SS7 Signaling

- For originating calls over FGD, usage measurement begins when the FGD entry switch receives an Exit Message (EXM).
- The measurement of originating call usage over FGD with SS7 out of band signaling ends when a Release Message is sent or received by the originating end user's end office, whichever occurs first.

B. Terminating Usage Measurement

- For terminating calls over FGD, the measurement of access minutes begins when the terminating FGD entry switch receives answer supervision from the Company end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered.
- The measurement of terminating call usage over FGD ends when the terminating FGD entry switch receives disconnect supervision from the Company end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's POT, whichever is recognized first by the entry switch.

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