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ACCESS SERVICES

SECTION 1 - ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS, (CONT'D.)

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

Special Access - See Dedicated Access.

Term Agreement - A method of purchasing the Company's services whereby the Customer agrees to purchase service between specific locations for a specified and mutually agreed upon length of time.

Terminal Equipment - Telecommunications devices, apparatus and associated wiring on the Customer-designated premises.

Terminating Direction - The use of Access Service for the completion of calls from an IXC or Carrier premises to an end user or Customer premises.

Time Division Multiplexing (TDM) - A method of transmitting and receiving voice signals over the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN).

Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic - The traffic exchanged in time division multiplexing ("TDM") format that originates and/or terminates in Internet Protocol ("IP") format. Traffic originates and/or terminates in IP format if it originates from and/or terminates to an end user Customer of a service that requires Internet Protocol compatible Customer premises equipment.

Transmission Path - An electrical path capable of transmitting signals within the range of the service offering. A transmission path is comprised of physical or derived facilities consisting of any form or configuration of plant used in the telecommunications industry.

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

Trunk Group - A set of trunks which are traffic engineered as a unit for the establishment of connections between switching systems in which all of the communications paths are interchangeable.

VoIP Service - Transmission of communication by aid of wire, cable, radio, or other like connection using Voice Over Internet Protocol that is originated or terminated in Internet Protocol (IP) format. VoIP Services are those services that require the use of IP compatible Customer premises equipment.

Wire Center - A physical location in which one or more central offices, used for the provision of exchange services, are located.

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