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LOCAL AND INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D.)

2.19 Additional Provisions Applicable to Residential Customers

2.19.1 Application of Rates

Residential rates apply to service furnished in private homes or apartments (including all parts of the Customer's domestic establishment) for domestic use. Residential rates also apply in college fraternity or sorority houses, convents and monasteries, and to the clergy for domestic use in residential quarters.

Residential rates do not apply to service in residential locations if the listing indicates a business or profession. Residential rates do not apply to service furnished in residential locations if there is an extension line from the residential location to a business location unless the extension line is limited to incoming calls.

The use of residential service and facilities is restricted to the Customer, members of the Customer's domestic establishment, and joint users.

2.19.2 Telephone Number Changes

When a residential Customer requests a telephone number change, the referral period for the disconnected number is 90 days.

The Company reserves all rights to any telephone number assigned to a Customer for local service.

When service in an existing location is continued for a new Customer, the existing number may be retained by the new Customer only if the former Customer consents in writing, and if all charges against the account are paid or assumed by the new Customer.

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