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LOCAL AND INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

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SECTION 11 – OBSOLETE SERVICES (CONT'D.)

11.1 Primus Telecommunications Services (Cont'd.)

11.1.18 Residential Network Switched Services (Cont'd.)

B. Message Rate Service

Message Rate Service provides the customer with a single, analog, voice-grade telephonic communications channel that can be used to place or receive one call at a time. Calls to points within the local exchange area are charged on the basis of the number of completed calls during the billing period.

Each Message Rate Service Line corresponds to a single, analog, voice-grade channel that can be used to place or receive one call at a time. Message Rate Service lines are provided for connection to a single, customer-provided station set or facsimile machine.

Each Measured Rate Port has the following characteristics:

Terminal Interface: 2-wire

Signaling Type: Loop Start

Pulse Type: Dual Tone Multi-Frequency (DTMF)

Directionality: Two-way, In-Only, or Out-Only, as specified by the customer.