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GENERAL TARIFF

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

J. PAYMENTS AND TERMINATION OF SERVICE (Cont'd)

7. Late Payment Charge*

(a) General

A charge at the rate specified in Section 14.1of this Tariff, applies to all amounts previously billed on customers' bills and remaining unpaid at the time the next bill is prepared, excluding the previous month's local service charge, but including arrears and late payment charges.

The late payment charge applies to all unpaid charges billed on the Verizon New York bill, with the exceptions noted in Paragraph J.7.(b) following.

A minimum late payment charge, as specified in Section 14.1 of this Tariff, applies to residence customers.

(b) Regulations

- (1) Collection procedures and the requirement for a deposit are unaffected by the application of a late payment charge.
- (2) The late payment charge does not apply to final accounts.
- (3) The late payment charge does not apply to unpaid balances associated with disputed amounts. Undisputed amounts on the same bill are subject to the late payment charge if unpaid and carried forward to the next bill.
- (4) All amounts deferred under deferred payment agreements will not be subject to the late payment charge.
- (5) The late payment charge does not apply to residence customers who are billed under a quarterly payment plan.
- (6) For those residence customers who certify to the Company that they suffer from serious illness, the late payment charge will be waived.
- * The late payment charge will be applied to intrastate third party carrier billings only when appropriate tariff authorization is provided in the intrastate jurisdiction.

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