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SECTION 11 – TAXES AND SURCHARGES

A. Surcharge for State Gross Income and Gross Earnings Taxes

A monthly surcharge to recover the additional expense related to the State Gross Income and Gross Earnings Taxes applies to the recurring, nonrecurring and usage rates and charges for all intrastate service except returned check charges, late payment charges and rates for local coin calls. The applicable Gross Revenue. Any changes to these rates will be filed on 15 days' notice to customers and the Commission, and as directed by the Commission. Whenever the state levies a new tax on the Company's gross revenues, repeals such tax, or changes the rate of such a tax, the Commission may approve new surcharge factors, and the Company will file a revised statement as directed or approved by the Commission.

Gross Revenue Surcharge – Maximum Rate:

Services Provided for Resale 0.3764% IntraLATA Toll and RCP Service 2.8273% All Other Services 2.9405%

B. Municipal Surcharge on Local Utility Gross Revenue Taxes

In certain cities and villages, a municipal surcharge related to the Local Utility Gross Revenue Taxes applies to the recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges for all intrastate service except toll message usage, operator's charges for busy verification and interrupt service, WATS, returned check charges, late payment charges and rates for local coin calls. Foreign exchange service provided from a central office of this Company located in a city or village where a surcharge applies is subject to the surcharge applicable in the serving central office.

The surcharge statement shall be filed at least fifteen business days before the effective date. The effective date of the statement shall not be prior to the effective date of the surcharge and no sooner than the date when the tax enactment is filed with the Secretary of State. The surcharge shall be applicable to bills subject to the tax enactment that are rendered on or after the effective date of the statement. If the tax enactment either ceases to be effective or is modified so as to reduce the tax rate, the surcharge will be changed accordingly within 5 business days.

Introduction, cancellation, or modification of a surcharge will be effective on the date of the customer's first bill rendered after the effective date of the change.

Municipal Surcharge – Maximum Rate:

Buffalo, Rochester & Yonkers 3% All Other Jurisdictions 1%

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- C. Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District Tax Surcharge
 - 1. In the counties listed in Paragraph 2 following, a surcharge to recover the additional expense related to the Temporary Metropolitan Transportation Business Tax Surcharge (MTA Tax) applies to recurring, nonrecurring and usage rates and charges for all intrastate services except charges collected for sent-paid Public Access Smart-pay Lines dialed calls, check return and late payment charges. Foreign exchange service provided from a central office located in one of the counties in Paragraph 2 following is subject to the surcharge.
 - 2. The surcharge is applicable to service furnished in the following counties:

New York City Counties

Dutchess County

Bronx County

Nassau County

Kings County

Orange County

New York County

Putnam County

Queens County

Rockland County

Richmond County

Suffolk County

Westchester County

3. Any changes to this rate will be filed on 15 days' notice to the Commission, and as directed by the Commission. Customers will be notified of such changes on the first bill following the rate change. Whenever the state levies a new tax on the Company's gross revenues, repeals such a tax, or changes the rate of such tax, the Commission may approve new surcharge factors, and the Company will file a revised surcharge as directed by the Commission.

MTA Tax – Maximum Rate:

Services Provided for Resale 0.1277% IntraLATA Toll and RCP Service 0.6890% All Other Services 0.7300%

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