4. SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE

4.1 General

Switched Access Service, which is available to customers for their use in furnishing their services to end users, provides a two-point communications path between a Customer's Premises and an End User's Premises. It provides for the use of common terminating, switching and transport facilities. Switched Access Service provides the ability to originate calls from an End User's Premises to a Customer's Premises, and to terminate calls from a Customer's Premises to an End User's Premises.

In those situations where a Wireless Provider terminates interMTA traffic to end-user subscribers of the Company then the rates, terms and conditions of this tariff will apply.

Switched Access Service is available when originating or terminating calls from or to an end user which subscribes to the Company's local exchange services.

The application of rates for Switched Access Service is described in Section 5.

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4.2 **Provision and Description of Switched Access Service Arrangements**

4.2.1 Feature Group Access

Feature Group Access is provisioned at the DS-1 level and provides trunk-side access to Local Switching Center switches, for the customer's use in originating and terminating communications. Basic Feature Group Access service will be provided with Multi-Frequency In Band Signaling (SS7 is also available, where capabilities exist).

All traffic is routed to and from the Company's Local Switching Center via the customer's tandem provider or via end office trucking, where available. delivery of calls to, or acceptance of calls from, the Company's End User locations over Company-switched local exchange services shall constitute an agreement by the customer to purchase switched access services as described herein. The Company reserves the right to require the customer to submit an ASR for Switched Access Services.

4.2.2 Manner of Provision

Trunks used for Switched Access Service may be configured for one-way (either originating only or terminating only) or for two-way directionality.

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4.2 **Provision and Description of Switched Access Service Arrangements (Cont'd)**

4.2.3 Call Types

The following Switched Access Service call types are available:

- A. Originating Feature Group Access
- B. Originating 800 Feature Group Access
- C. Terminating Feature Group Access

4.2.4 Originating Feature Group Access

The access code for Feature Group Access switching is a uniform access code of the form 1+ or 011+ or 101XXXX. For 101XXXX dialing a single access code will be the assigned number of all Feature Group Access provided to the customer by the Company. When the access code is used, Feature Group Access switching also provides for dialing the digit 0 for access to the customer's operator service, 911 for access to emergency service, and/or the end of dialing digit (#) for cutthrough access to the customer's premises. The Company will provide originating Feature Group access consistent with dialing parity obligations.

4.2.5 Originating 800 Feature Group Access

800 Data Base Access Service is a service offering utilizing originating Trunk Side Switched Access Service. When an 8XX + NXX + XXXX call is originated by an End User, the Company will perform customer identification based on screening of the full ten-digits of the 8XX number to determine the customer location to which the call is to be routed.

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4.2 Provision and Description of Switched Access Service Arrangements (Cont'd)

4.2.6 Terminating Feature Group Access

Feature Group Access, when used in the terminating direction, may only be used to access End Users who are subscribing to the Company's local exchange services. Calls in the terminating direction will not be completed to 950-0XXX or 950-1XXX access codes, local operator assistance (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance, (411 or 555-1212) service codes 611 and 911 and 101XXXX access codes.

4.3 **Reports and Testing**

- **4.3.1** Design Layout Report: At the request of the customer, the Company will provide to the customer the makeup of the facilities and services provided from the Customer's Premises to the first point of switching. This information will be provided in the form of a Design Layout Report. The Design Layout Report will be provided to the customer at no charge.
- **4.3.2** Acceptance Testing: At no additional charge, the Company will, at the customer's request, cooperatively test, at the time of installation, the following parameters: loss, C-notched noise, C-message noise, 3-tone slope, d.c. continuity and operational signaling.

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