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DEFINITIONS

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff are described below.

Advance Payment

Part or all of a payment required before the start of service.

Access Services

The Company's intrastate telephone services offered pursuant to this tariff.

Common Carrier

Denotes any individual, partnership, association, joint- stock company, trust, governmental entity or corporation engaged for hire in intrastate communication by wire or radio, between two or more exchanges.

Company or Focal Communications Corporation

Focal Communications Corporation of New York, the issuer of this tariff.

Customer

The person, firm or corporation which orders service and is responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with the Company's regulations.

End Office

With respect to each NPA-NXX code prefix assigned to the Company, the location of the Company's "end office" for purposes of this tariff shall be the point of interconnection associated with an NPA-NXX code as listed in 2.8.2(A) following.

End User

A person or entity that subscribes to any Focal Communications Corporation of New York Exchange Access Service offered under the Company's Tariff, New York P.S.C. No. 2 Tariff, Section 5, and that has been assigned one or more telephone number(s) within a central office code (NPA-NXX) directly assigned to the Company.

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Exchange Telephone Company

Denotes any individual, partnership, association, joint- stock company, trust, or corporation engaged in providing switched communication within an exchange.

Intrastate Access Service

Provides for a two-point communications path between a Customer's premises or a collocated interconnection location and an end user's premises for originating and terminating calls within the state.

LATA

A Local Access and Transport Area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgment entered by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in Civil Action No. 82-0192; or any other geographic area designated as a LATA in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

Recurring Charges

The monthly charges to the Customer for services, facilities and equipment which continue to apply for duration of the service.

Service Commencement Date

The first date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the requested service or facility is available for use, unless extended by the Customer's refusal to accept service which does not conform to standards set forth in the Service Order or this tariff, in which case the Service Commencement Date is the date of the Customer's acceptance. The Company and the Customer may mutually agree on a substitute Service Commencement Date. If the Company does not have an executed Service Order from a Customer, the Service Commencement Date will be the first date on which the service or facility was used by a Customer.

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Service Order

The request for access services, either written or electronic, executed by the Customer and the Company in the format devised by the Company. Such a request for service by the customer and the acceptance of the request by the Company initiates the respective obligations of the parties as set forth therein and pursuant to this tariff, but the duration of the service is calculated from the Service Commencement Date. Should a Customer use the Company's access service without an executed Service Order, the Company will then request the Customer to submit a Service Order.

Serving Wire Center

The wire center from which the customer designated premises would normally obtain dial tone from the Company.

Shared

A facility or equipment system or subsystem that can be used simultaneously by several Customers.

<u>User</u>

A Customer or any other person authorized by the Customer to use service provided under this tariff.

Wire Center

A building in which one or more end offices, used for the provision of Exchange Services, are located.