

**SUPPLEMENTARY TARIFF
ACCESS SERVICES FOR
INTERCONNECTION WITH CARRIERS
AND OTHER SERVICE PROVIDERS
GENERAL**

ITEM

10 DEFINITIONS For the purposes of this Tariff:

"Account Receivable" is an individual charge associated with an eligible call purchased from an IXC according to the terms and conditions of the MTS' Billing and Collection Services Agreement.

"Circuit" means an analog voice grade channel or a digital 64 Kbps (DS-0) channel.

"Circuit Group" means a group of equivalent circuits.

"Class A Licensee" means a telecommunications service provider who;

- a) operates telecommunications facilities used in transporting basic international traffic between Canada and another country, whether those facilities are owned by the licensee or leased from a separate facilities provider; or
- b) operates telecommunications equipment that converts basic international traffic from circuit switched minutes originating in Canada to non-circuit switched traffic, or from non-circuit switched traffic to circuit switched minutes terminating in Canada, regardless of whether the licensee is responsible for the international transport; or
- c) performs both of the functions described in (a) and (b), above.

Such telecommunications service providers shall have obtained from the Commission a Class A license for the provision of basic international telecommunications services. For more information with respect to licencing requirements refer to the Commission's web site at www.crtc.gc.ca.

"Class B Licensee" means a telecommunications service provider who provides international telecommunications services, but neither;

- a) operates telecommunications facilities used in transporting basic international traffic between Canada and another country; nor
- b) operates telecommunications equipment that converts basic international traffic from circuit switched minutes originating in Canada to non-circuit switched traffic, or from non-circuit switched traffic to circuit switched minutes terminating in Canada.

Class B licensees include service providers who only resell the switched services of other service providers. Such telecommunications service providers shall have obtained from the Commission a Class B license for the provision of basic international telecommunications services. For more information with respect to licencing requirements refer to the Commission's web site at www.crtc.gc.ca.

"Competitive Local Exchange Carrier " (CLEC) means a Canadian Carrier as defined in section 2 of the Telecommunications Act, recognized as a CLEC by the Commission pursuant to Telecom Decision CRTC 97-8.

"Competitive Pay Telephone Service Provider" means a company or individual which provides competitive pay telephone service for use by the general public. For the purposes of this tariff, the competitive pay telephone service provider is MTS's customer.

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"Direct Access Line" (DAL) means a network arrangement used to transmit traffic over a dedicated facility between a Carrier's or Other Service Provider's interexchange network and a subscriber's premises.

"Data Service" means a telecommunications service other than a voice service.

"Dedicated Service" means a telecommunications service which is dedicated to the private communications needs of a user, where one end of the facility used to provide the service is terminated at equipment dedicated to the user.

"Feature Interworking" refers to the ability to route calls based on selected combinations of the routing options specified in Item 70.1.

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"Interconnecting Circuit" means a circuit or path that connects an IXC's facility to a facility of the Company to provide access to the public switched telephone network (PSTN) of the Company. An interconnecting circuit may connect: (1) the IXC's facility to the Company Central Office to which customer lines are directly connected (end office); or (2) an interexchange circuit to the Company Centrex switch; or (3) a local circuit from an IXC's switch to the Company Centrex switch; or (4) an IXC's facility to the Company Central Office to which end offices are directly connected in order to originate or terminate toll traffic (toll office).

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"Interexchange Service" or "Interexchange Facility" means a service or facility configured to operate between any two exchanges for which Message Toll Service charges would apply, including overseas and international services and facilities.

"Interexchange Carrier (IXC)" means a Canadian carrier as defined in section 2 of the Telecommunications Act that provides interexchange service and is not the Company.

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"Joint-Use Basis" means on a basis in which a circuit is not dedicated to a single user.

"Line Side Access" means any connecting arrangement provided by the Company to an IXC over which PSTN dial tone is delivered or access to the Company's Toll-free Service is provided to the IXC, by means of an interconnecting circuit, enabling the IXC to access or egress the Company's PSTN.

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"Operator Services" means services performed by Operating Company operators, at the request of an IXC operator or an IXC subscriber, for calls delivered to the operators from the IXC's network. Operator services include busy line verification, call interruption, long distance directory assistance, 800/888 directory assistance, and completion of calls to non-dialable points.

"Overflow Routing" is a service which is available when an IXC has direct connection to the Company's serving switch. With this service, any traffic which is blocked from using the Direct Connection is rerouted to the IXC's Access Tandem Connection.

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"Overseas Circuit" means a circuit that connects a service or a facility of an international service provider to a country other than the United States, directly or via an Overseas Carrier, for the purpose of providing overseas services.

"Person" means a partnership, firm, body corporate or politic, government or department thereof and the legal representatives of such person.

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"Resale" means the subsequent sale or lease on a commercial basis, with or without adding value, of a telecommunications service leased from an IXC or from the Company. C

"Reseller" means a person engaged in resale.

"Responsible Organization" is the entity identified by the 800/888 subscriber or agent that assumes the duty of managing and administering the 800/888 record (number) in the 800/888 Service Management System on behalf of the 800/888 service subscriber.

"Sharing" means the use by two or more persons, in an arrangement not involving resale, of a telecommunications service leased from an IXC or the Company. C

"Sharing Group" means a group of persons engaged in sharing.

"Standby Circuit" means an interconnecting circuit with line side or trunk side access which has been activated but rendered incapable, by the Company, of carrying traffic. C

"Subscriber" means a person for whom telecommunications equipment, facilities or service have been provided by an IXC.

"Trunk Side Access" means any connecting arrangement provided by the Company over which calls dialed 1+, 0+, 00-, 1+950, 10XXX, 1-800, 01+ and 011+ can be routed to the IXC's network and over which traffic from the IXC's network can be routed for termination in the local PSTN. C

"User" means a person or a member of a sharing group using a telecommunications service or facility for the person's or member's private communications needs.

"Voice Service" means a two-way telecommunications service involving direct real-time voice communication between two or more natural persons. It does not include a service the purpose of which is limited to the co-ordination or setting up of a data service.

"Wire Centre" is a designated location within a Wire Centre Area used for rating purposes. The Wire Centre is the location of a Central Office if the Central Office is located within that Wire Centre Area. Where the Central Office used to serve a Wire Centre Area is not located in that Wire Centre Area, a point in that Wire Centre Area will be designated as the Wire Centre. C

"Wire Centre Area" is a geographic boundary used for rating purposes. Within each Wire Centre Area there is a single Wire Centre. C