

MESSAGE TOLL SERVICES

GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. DEFINITION

Two-Point Message Toll Service is that of furnishing facilities for communication between stations in different local service areas of the same LATA in accordance with the regulations and system of rates specified in this Tariff. The rates specified in this Tariff are in payment for all service furnished between the calling and called stations.

2. UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY

The Telephone Company offers, subject to the terms and conditions specified in this Tariff, the use of its facilities where available for communication between customers.

3. PRIORITY OF SERVICE

In case a shortage of facilities exists at any time either for temporary or protracted periods, the furnishing of message toll service shall take precedence over the use of lines between central offices for the furnishing of special services.

4. LIABILITY OF THE TELEPHONE COMPANY

The liability of the Telephone Company for damages arising out of mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, or errors or defects in transmission, or failures or defects in the Telephone Company's equipment occurring in the course of furnishing service or other facilities and not caused by the negligence of the customer, or of the Telephone Company in failing to maintain proper standards of maintenance and operation and to exercise reasonable supervision, shall in no event exceed an amount equivalent to the proportionate charge to the customer for the period of service during which such mistake, omission, interruption, delay or error or defect in transmission, or failure or defect in the Telephone Company's equipment occurs. Adjustments within the limits provided herein may be made by direct payment to the customer or by credit to the customer's account.

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5. USE

a. Use of Service

Service is provided for use by the customer and may be used by others, when so authorized by the customer, provided that all such usage shall be subject to the provisions of this Tariff.

b. Use of Service for Unlawful Purposes

Service is furnished subject to the condition that it will not be used for an unlawful purpose. Service will not be furnished if any law enforcement agency, acting within its jurisdiction, advises that such service is being used or will be used in violation of the law, or if the Telephone Company receives other evidence that such service is being or will be so used.

c. Use of Service With Customer-Provided Equipment

Customer-provided terminal equipment and communications systems may be connected to exchange facilities of the Telephone Company subject to the regulations, rates and charges applicable to the connection of such facilities as provided for in the Telephone Company's Tariffs.

6. SERVICE USED FOR DATA TRANSMISSION

a. Message toll service is available for use on a two-point service basis with data transmitting and/or receiving equipment for the transmission and reception of data signals.

b. The regulations and rates for each call made for the purpose of transmitting data signals are those applicable in this tariff for Two-Point Service.

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7. SINGLE PRICED PACKAGE OFFERINGS

a. General

The Company may offer single priced packages. The rate charged for the package shall not exceed the rates of the component parts of the package.