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COMPANY NAME: Level 3 Communications, LLC

**A. SYNOPSIS**

1. ANTICIPATED EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/31/2021

2. IF DIFFERENT, COMPANY REQUESTED EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/31/2021

3. DESCRIPTION OF THE FILING:

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**B. ACTION TO BE TAKEN WITH THIS FILING**

1. TO BECOME EFFECTIVE A1 (A1 or A2)

SUBJECT:

2. PLACE ON COMMISSION AGENDA FOR DATE:

3. RECOMMENDATION DUE DATE:

4. DOCKET NO:

5. ORDER NO:

**C. FINAL ACTION**

1.EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/31/2021 PROTESTED? YES OR NO (CIRCLE ONE)

2. REVISION REPLACEMENTS? REQUESTED: \_\_\_\_\_ RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_

3. REVISION DISCREPANCIES:

4. COMMENTS:

5. REVISIED PAGES VERIFIED AGANIST E-TARIFF: \_\_\_\_\_

6. E-TARIFF UPDATED: \_\_\_\_\_

FORMS (2) REVISIED 11/2015 FORM/CTA

**From:** [Terry, Darlene N](#)  
**To:** [Jeff Bates](#)  
**Subject:** RE: TX238\_L3C\_FL2021-07\_pkg  
**Date:** Friday, May 27, 2022 2:33:06 PM  
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[TX238\\_level3\\_communications-pl2.pdf](#)

While reviewing filings to close out some old jobs, I don't see that I send you the requested word version of Page 2 that on your website [TX238\\_level3\\_communications-pl2.pdf \(floridapsc.com\)](#) still appears as follows:

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That page in word is attached, but I've also attached a pdf of the entire document that includes all the revisions noted below in case that helps, although I see that you have stamped the pages that appear on your website. Let me know if you need anything else to close out this FL2021-07 filing package. Thanks.

**From:** Jeff Bates <JBates@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2022 8:24 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: TX238\_L3C\_FL2021-07\_pkg

Darlene,

For No. 2, below, e-mail a correct version of the word version of page 2 and I'll see what I can do to integrate it into the filing. If I have difficulties, I'll let you know.

Jeff Bates  
Research Associate  
Office of Industry Development & Market Analysis  
Florida Public Service Commission  
V - (850) 413-6538

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**From:** Terry, Darlene N <[Darlene.Terry@lumen.com](mailto:Darlene.Terry@lumen.com)>  
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**Cc:** Mark Long <[MLONG@PSC.STATE.FL.US](mailto:MLONG@PSC.STATE.FL.US)>  
**Subject:** RE: TX238\_L3C\_FL2021-07\_pkg

Jeff,

I've finally found the discrepancies you listed in your October response to my filing, and the discrepancies are due to revisions dated July 29, 2017 which were published by Level 3 Communications, but were apparently not filed with the FL PSC. I had to review the Telview database we subscribe to, to figure this out. I've attached those pages, which were in the "master" tariff I received when CenturyLink acquired this company. I'm certain these changes were associated with the sixth step in implementing Terminating Switched End Office and Terminating Tandem Switched Access Service reductions mandated in FCC's Transformation Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc. (FCC 11-161). Since this occurred before the company was affiliated with CenturyLink, I can't speculate as to whether the company attempted e-filing these changes with the FL PSC or whether someone assumed this "price list" wasn't on file and just published the pages on the company's website at that time. However, based on the fact that the revision levels in 1, 3, and 4 below were associated with those FCC mandated changes, I need your help and advice as to how we can get those on record in PSC files.

1. 18<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 1 should be 17<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 1. Currently, 16<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 1, filed on July 30, 2014 in T20140102, is in the current price list and was effective on July 31, 2014. 17<sup>th</sup> Revised CheckSheet Page 1 was updated to reflect revisions for Pages 57 and 58.
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Page 2 page numbering in the body of the page contains formatting errors. This page accurately presents the page numbers on my word version of this file. Converting it to pdf created the error that I see has been merged into the master file maintained by the PSC. I will need to send you a new version of that page so that you can replace the version showing "Error! Bookmark not defined."
3. 15<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 57 should be 14<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 57. Currently, 13<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 57, filed on July 30, 2014 in T20140102, is in the current price list and was effective on July 31, 2014. 14<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 57 replaced the terminating MOU rates in Section 15.1.3.4.3 with a footnote concurring with the company's interstate rate, effective July 29, 2017.
4. 8<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 58 should be 7<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 58. Currently 6<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 58, filed on June 27, 2013 in T20130107, is in the current price list and was effective on July 1, 2013. 7<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 58 eliminated terminating MOU rates in Section 15.1.3.7, effective July 29, 2017.

After your review, please let me know what I can do so that we are in sync again. Thank you and again my sincere apologies for the delay.

Darlene

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Good afternoon, Darlene.

I'm following up on this filing since I haven't heard from you. The filing went into effect by operation of law on July 31,

2021 but I haven't incorporated the pages into the current price list on file here at the Commission or the publicly published version available at the Commission's website due to the issues discussed in the earlier e-mail.

Please provide a corrected revision by the close of business on October 13, 2021. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Jeff Bates  
Research Associate  
Office of Industry Development & Market Analysis  
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**From:** Jeff Bates  
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**Cc:** Mark Long <[MLONG@PSC.STATE.FL.US](mailto:MLONG@PSC.STATE.FL.US)>  
**Subject:** RE: TX238\_L3C\_FL2021-07\_pkg

Ms. Terry,

I've reviewed this filing (attached) and have found several errors. One error appears to be a formatting error only, but the other three are revision level errors.

Level 3 Communications, LLC Florida Price List No. 2 is attached and is located at [https://floridapsc.com/library/New-Tariffs/scans/TEL/TX238\\_level3\\_communications-pl2.pdf](https://floridapsc.com/library/New-Tariffs/scans/TEL/TX238_level3_communications-pl2.pdf).

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Level 3 Communications, LLC company data, including links to the company price lists and price list filings can be located at <https://floridapsc.com/UtilityRegulation/MCDDetails?compcode=TX238>.

This price list revision was effective July 31, 2021 and I've reviewed the current and cancelled price lists, and I am ready to finish the review process and incorporate the pages into the current tariff on file. Please let me know when I can expect a corrected filing to finalize the revision.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

July 23, 2021

Mr. Cayce Hinton  
Director, Office of Industry Development & Market Analysis  
Attention: Tariff Section  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

**Re: TX238**

Dear Mr. Hinton:

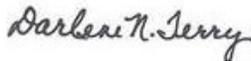
Attached for filing are the following revisions to the Level 3 Communications, LLC Florida P.S.C. Price List No. 2, issued July 23, 2021 with a proposed effective date of July 31, 2021:

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If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Darlene N. Terry

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CHECK SHEET

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\* Reflects pages changed in the current filing.

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15.1.3.4	Switched Access			
15.1.3.4.1	Local End Office Switching			
		<u>Per Access Minute of Use</u>		
	Terminating		Note 1	
	Port Charge		Note 1	
15.1.3.4.2	Carrier Common Line Rates			
		<u>Per Access Minute of Use</u>		
	Originating	\$0.038200		
	Terminating	\$0.000000		
15.1.3.4.3	Switched Transport Usage Rates			
		<u>Access Rate Per Minute</u>		
	-Local Transport			
	Terminating		Note 1	(C)
	Originating	\$0.000360		
	-Tandem Switching Charge			
	Originating	\$0.000500		(C)
	Terminating	Note 1		(C)
	-Interconnection Charge	\$0.00000		
	-Transport per Mile			
	Originating	\$0.000040		
	Terminating	Note 1		(C)
15.1.3.4.4	Direct-Trunked Transport			
	Monthly Recurring Rate			
		<u>Fixed</u>	<u>Per Mile</u>	
	-DS1	\$59.75	\$15.20	
	-DS3	\$972.54	\$97.25	

Note 1: See Level 3 Communications, LLC Tariff F.C.C. No. 4 at <http://www.level3.com/en/legal/level-3-communications-tariffs/>

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	<u>Rate</u>	
15.1.3.5	Originating Switched Access Local Switching	\$0.050100
15.1.3.6	Toll Free Data Base Access Service	
	Customer Identification - Per Query	\$0.004310
	Customer Delivery Charge - Per Query	\$0.004210
15.1.3.7	Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service	
	Tandem Switching	
	Originating	\$0.000500 (C)
	Tandem Termination	
	Originating	\$0.000360 (D)
	Tandem Transport per Mile	
	Originating	\$0.000040 (D)
<b>15.1.4 Application of rates for Local Connect Switched Access Service, Tandem Connect Switched Access Service, and Third-Party Tandem Connect Switched Access Service</b>		

15.1.4.1 – Rates Applicable To Local Connect Service

15.1.4.1.1 Entrance Facility/Direct Trunked Transport

To obtain Local Connect Service, the Customer must obtain a connection from its Premises in a local access and transport area to the Company local switch to which the Customer seeks to connect. To obtain that connection the Customer must purchase a combination of Entrance Facilities, Direct Trunked Transport, and DS1 switch ports, as well as multiplexing, if applicable.

The Direct Trunked Transport rate shall be applied per DS1-level, DS-3 level, or higher-level connection (for states in which multiple data rate options are available), at the appropriate per-month and per-mile rate(s) specified in Section 15.1.3.4.4 of this tariff. The Per Mile amounts shall be charged monthly and shall be calculated based on the distance between the Customer’s premises and the Company local switch to which the Customer seeks to connect, calculated in accordance with Section 10 of this Tariff.

15.1.4.1.2 Multiplexing

The Company’s network normally requires traffic delivered to its switches at the DS1 level. If a Customer chooses to obtain multiplexing/demultiplexing services to convert DS3 to DS1 level signaling, the Customer may obtain that service from the Company at the rates stated in Section 15.1.3.4.3. These rates apply per minute of traffic multiplexed or demultiplexed. If multiplexing between other data rates is required, the Company may provide such services in accordance with the terms of Section 11, Special Construction.

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**SECTION 1 – DEFINITION OF TERMS (CONT'D)**

End User: A non-carrier customer of an intrastate telecommunications service. If a carrier uses telecommunications service for administrative purposes, it shall be deemed to be an End User.

Individual Case Basis (ICB): A service arrangement in which the regulations, rates and charges are developed based on the specific circumstances of the case.

Interconnect Carrier: Any carrier that connects to Company’s network for exchange of communications traffic.

Joint User: A person, firm or corporation which is designated by the Customer as a user of services furnished to the Customer by the Company and to whom a portion of the charges for the service will be billed under a Joint User arrangement as specified in the Company's price list.

LATA: A Local Access and Transport Area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgement 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. Price list F.C.C. No. 4.

Major Service Interruption: An interruption of Customer service due to the Company's negligence or due to its noncompliance with the provisions of this price list.

**REPLACED**

Non Toll Free

All calls that are not toll free (8YY) are established by the FCC's 8YY Access Charge Reform Order (FCC 20-43) released on October 2, 2020.

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|  
(N)

PIU: Percent Interstate Usage

Premises: The space occupied by a Customer, Authorized User or Joint User in a building or buildings or contiguous property (except railroad rights-of-way, etc.) not separated by a highway.

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

Service Commencement Date: The first day following the 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 the tariffs of the Company, in which case the Service Commencement Date is the date of the Customer's acceptance. The Company and Customer may mutually agree on a substitute Service Commencement Date. In the case of Tandem Connect service ordered under option (2) of Section 12.1.1.2, the Service Commencement Date is the date on which the Customer first sends Switched Access Service traffic to the Company or accepts Switched Access Service traffic from the Company.

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Toll Free Code (TFC): The term “Toll Free Code” denotes a three-digit Numbering Plan Area (NPA) or Area Code that is specifically assigned by the telecommunications industry for use by Telecommunications Service Providers in the provision of telephone numbers that, unlike traditional telephone numbers and calls, when dialed are toll free to the originating caller. The specific codes assigned and used, or reserved for use, for this purpose are 800, 822, 833, 844, 855, 866, 877, and 888.

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Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic: The term Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic denotes a customer’s interexchange voice traffic exchanged with the Telephone Company in Time Division Multiplexing format over PSTN facilities, which originates and/or terminates in Internet Protocol (IP) format. Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic originates and /or terminates in IP format when it originates from and/or terminates to an end user customer of a service that requires IP-compatible customer premises equipment.

Transmission: The sending of electrical or optical signals over a line to a destination.

User: A Customer, Joint User, or any other person authorized by a Customer to use service provided to the Customer under a Level 3 Communications, LLC price list.

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**SECTION 3 – OBLIGATIONS OF THE CUSTOMER (CONT'D)**

3.4.4 Effective on the first day of January, April, July and October of each year the Customer shall update its interstate and intrastate jurisdictional report. The Customer shall forward to the Company, to be received no later than 15 days after the first day of such month, a revised report showing the interstate and intrastate percentage of use for the past three months ending the last day of December, March, June and September, respectively, for each service arranged for interstate use, based solely on the traffic originating from or terminating to the Company Local Switching Center. The revised report will serve as the basis for the next three months billing and will be effective on the bill date for that service. If the Customer does not supply the reports for those services where reports are needed, the Company will assume the percentage to be the same as that provided previously. For those cases in which a quarterly report has never been received from the Customer, the Company will assume the percentages to be the same as those provided in the Access Service Request or, in the absence of an Access Service Request PIU, the Company will set the projected PIU on a default basis of 50 percent interstate traffic and 50 percent intrastate traffic.

3.4.5 Jurisdictional Reports Verification: For Switched Access Service, if a billing dispute arises or a regulatory commission questions the projected PIU factor, the Customer will provide the data used to determine the projected PIU factor. The Customer will supply the data within 30 days of the Company request.

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The customer shall keep records of detail from which the percentage of interstate and intrastate use can be ascertained and, upon request of the Company, shall make the records available for inspection as reasonably necessary for purposes of verification of the percentages. The Company reserves the right to conduct an audit at any time during the year. The Customer, at its own expense, has the right to retain an independent auditing firm.

3.4.6 Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic

This section governs the rating and identification of VoIP-PSTN Traffic. In accordance with the Federal Communications Commission’s Report and Order released November 18, 2011 (FCC 11-161) and Second Order on Reconsideration released April 25, 2012 (FCC 12-47), both in WC Docket No. 10-90, et al. (together, the “FCC Orders”): (1) intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic that originates on the Company’s network and is bound for the Customer’s end users is subject to the intrastate switched access rates set forth in this tariff until June 30, 2014, after which time it will be subject to interstate rates contained in the **CenturyLink Competitive Operating Companies** Tariff F.C.C. No. 4 and in Section 15 herein; and (2) intrastate VoIP-PSTN traffic that is sent by the Customer for termination to Company end users is subject to interstate switched access rates set forth in the **CenturyLink Competitive Operating Companies** Tariff F.C.C. No. 4 and in Section 15 herein.

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The remainder of this section establishes the method of separating VoIP-PSTN Traffic from the Customer’s traditional intrastate access traffic, so that VoIP-PSTN Traffic can be billed in accordance with the FCC Orders.

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**SECTION 14 – SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE**

14.1 General

Switched Access Service, which is available to Customers for their use in furnishing their services to End Users, provides a communications path between a Customer’s Premises and a service obtained by an End User from the Company or (if the Switched Access Service is provided by more than one local exchange carrier as provided in Section 4.2.9 of this Tariff) from another carrier whose network subtends the Company’s facilities. 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 service to a Customer’s Premises, and to terminate calls from a Customer’s Premises to an End User’s service.

Rates and charges are set forth in Section 15. The application of rates for Switched Access Service is described in Section 15.1.3.4.

**As established in the 8YY Access Charge Reform (FCC 20-143), existing tandem switching charges and transport charges for originating 8YY traffic are eliminated and a single joint tandem switched access service rate element for 8YY originating access service is established as 8YY Joint Tandem Switched Transport.**

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14.2 Provision and Description of Switched Access Service Agreements

Switched Access Service is provided in the following service type:

14.2.1 Feature Group D (FGD) Access

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FGD Access, which is available to all customers, is provisioned at the DSI level and provides trunk-side access to Company switches with an associated uniform 101-XXXX Access Code for Customer’s use in originating and terminating communications. FGD service will be provided with SS7 signaling. (Multi-Frequency In-Band signaling may also be available, for a separate charge established under Section 11 of this Tariff.) End Users of Customer’s service may also originate calls to certain FGD Access Customers without dialing the 101-XXXX Access Code if End User is presubscribed, as described herein.

The Access Code for FGD switching is a uniform Access Code of the form 10XXXX. A single Access Code will be the assigned number of all FGD access provided to the Customer by the Company. No Access Code is required for calls to a customer over FGD Switched Access Service if the End User’s telephone exchange service is arranged for Presubscription to that Customer, as set forth herein

Where no Access Code is required, the number dialed by the Customer’s End User shall be a seven or ten digit number for calls in the North American Numbering Plan (NANP), except for 00- dialed calls which are routed to the predesignated Customer. For international calls outside the NANP, a seven to twelve digit number maybe dialed. The form of the numbers dialed by the Customer’s End User is NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NXX-XXXX, NPA + NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NPA = NXX-XXXX, and when the local Switching Center is equipped for International Direct Distance Dialing (IDDD), O+ CC + NN or 011 + CC + NN.

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**SECTION 15 – RATES AND CHARGES (CONT'D)**

15.1.3.4 Switched Access

15.1.3.4.1 Local End Office Switching

	<u>Per Access Minute of Use</u>	
Terminating		Note 1
Port Charge		Note 1

15.1.3.4.2 Carrier Common Line Rates

Originating <b>Non-Toll Free</b>	\$0.038200	
<b>Originating Toll Free</b>	<b>0.000000</b>	(C)
Terminating	0.000000	(R) (C)

15.1.3.4.3 Switched Transport Usage Rates

-Local Transport		
Terminating		Note 1
Originating <b>Non-Toll Free</b> <sup>[2]</sup>	\$0.000360	(C)

-Tandem Switching Charge		
Originating <b>Non-Toll Free</b> <sup>[2]</sup>	0.000500	(C)
Terminating		Note 1

-Interconnection Charge	0.000000	
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-Transport per Mile		
Originating <b>Non-Toll Free</b> <sup>[2]</sup>	0.000040	(C)
Terminating		Note 1

- <b>8YY Joint Tandem Switched Transport</b>		(N)
<b>Originating –Toll Free</b> <sup>[2]</sup>	<b>\$0.001000</b>	(N)

15.1.3.4.4 Direct-Trunked Transport

Monthly Recurring Rate

	<u>Fixed</u>	<u>Per Mile</u>
-DS1	\$59.75	\$15.20
-DS3	\$972.54	\$97.25

[1] See **CenturyLink Competitive Operating Companies** Tariff F.C.C. No. 4 at [www.centurylink.com/tariffs](http://www.centurylink.com/tariffs). (T)  
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[2] Pursuant to FCC 20-143, separate rate elements for Toll Free and Non-Toll Free originating transport services were established. The Originating Toll Free rate element for combined transport services is displayed as 8YY Joint Tandem Switched Transport, following. (N)  
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	<u>Rate</u>	
15.1.3.5	Originating Switched Access Local Switching <b>Non-Toll Free</b>	\$0.050100 (C)
	<b>Local Switching Toll Free</b>	<b>\$0.002126 (R)(C)</b>
15.1.3.6	Toll Free Data Base Access Service	
	Customer Identification	
	- Per Query	<b>\$0.000000 (R)</b>
	Customer Delivery Charge ( <b>aka Basic Query</b> )	(C)
	- Per Query	\$0.004210
15.1.3.7	Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service ( <b>Originating</b> )	(T)
	Tandem Switching	<b>\$0.000000 (R)</b>
	Tandem Termination	<b>\$0.000000 (R)</b>
	Tandem Transport per Mile	<b>\$0.000000 (R)</b>
	<b>8YY Joint Tandem Switched Transport</b>	<b>\$0.001000 (N)</b>
15.1.4	Application of Rates for Local Connect Switched Access Service, Tandem Connect Switched Access Service, and Third-Party Tandem Connect Switched Access Service	
15.1.4.1	Rates Applicable To Local Connect Service	

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15.1.4.1.1 Entrance Facility/Direct Trunked Transport

To obtain Local Connect Service, the Customer must obtain a connection from its Premises in a local access and transport area to the Company local switch to which the Customer seeks to connect. To obtain that connection the Customer must purchase a combination of Entrance Facilities, Direct Trunked Transport, and DS1 switch ports, as well as multiplexing, if applicable.

The Direct Trunked Transport rate shall be applied per DS1-level, DS-3 level, or higher-level connection (for states in which multiple data rate options are available), at the appropriate per-month and per-mile rate(s) specified in Section 15.1.3.4.4 of this tariff. The Per Mile amounts shall be charged monthly and shall be calculated based on the distance between the Customer's premises and the Company local switch to which the Customer seeks to connect, calculated in accordance with Section 10 of this Tariff.

15.1.4.1.2 Multiplexing

The Company's network normally requires traffic delivered to its switches at the DS1 level. If a Customer chooses to obtain mutliplexing/demultiplexing services to convert DS3 to DS1 level signaling, the Customer may obtain that service from the Company at the rates stated in Section 15.1.3.4.3. These rates apply per minute of traffic multiplexed or demultiplexed. If multiplexing between other data rates is required, the Company may provide such services in accordance with the terms of Section 11, Special Construction.

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End User: A non-carrier customer of an intrastate telecommunications service. If a carrier uses telecommunications service for administrative purposes, it shall be deemed to be an End User.

Individual Case Basis (ICB): A service arrangement in which the regulations, rates and charges are developed based on the specific circumstances of the case.

Interconnect Carrier: Any carrier that connects to Company's network for exchange of communications traffic.

Joint User: A person, firm or corporation which is designated by the Customer as a user of services furnished to the Customer by the Company and to whom a portion of the charges for the service will be billed under a Joint User arrangement as specified in the Company's price list.

LATA: A Local Access and Transport Area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgement 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. Price list F.C.C. No. 4.

Major Service Interruption: An interruption of Customer service due to the Company's negligence or due to its noncompliance with the provisions of this price list.

**Non-Toll Free**

**All calls that are not toll free (8YY) as established by the FCC's 8YY Access Charge Reform Order (FCC 20-143) released on October 9, 2020.**

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PIU: Percent Interstate Usage

Premises: The space occupied by a Customer, Authorized User or Joint User in a building or buildings or contiguous property (except railroad rights-of-way, etc.) not separated by a highway.

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

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Rates and charges are set forth in Section 15. The application of rates for Switched Access Service is described in Section 15.1.3.4.

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The Access Code for FGD switching is a uniform Access Code of the form 10XXX. A single Access Code will be the assigned number of all FGD access provided to the Customer by the Company. No Access Code is required for calls to a customer over FGD Switched Access Service if the End User’s telephone exchange service is arranged for Presubscription to that Customer, as set forth herein

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**SECTION 15 – RATES AND CHARGES (CONT'D)**

15.1.3.4 Switched Access

15.1.3.4.1 Local End Office Switching

Per Access Minute of Use

Terminating Note 1

Port Charge Note 1

15.1.3.4.2 Carrier Common Line Rates

Originating **Non-Toll Free** \$0.038200 (C)

Originating **Toll Free** **0.000000** (R) (C)

Terminating 0.000000

15.1.3.4.3 Switched Transport Usage Rates

-Local Transport

Terminating Note 1

Originating **Non-Toll Free** <sup>[2]</sup> \$0.000360 (C)

-Tandem Switching Charge

Originating **Non-Toll Free** <sup>[2]</sup> 0.000500 (C)

Terminating Note 1

-Interconnection Charge 0.000000

-Transport per Mile

Originating **Non-Toll Free** <sup>[2]</sup> 0.000040 (C)

Terminating Note 1

- **8YY Joint Tandem Switched Transport** (N)

Originating – **Toll Free** <sup>[2]</sup> **\$0.001000** (N)

15.1.3.4.4 Direct-Trunked Transport

Monthly Recurring Rate

Fixed Per Mile

-DS1 \$59.75 \$15.20

-DS3 \$972.54 \$97.25

[1] See **CenturyLink Competitive Operating Companies** Tariff F.C.C. No. 4 at [www.centurylink.com/tariffs](http://www.centurylink.com/tariffs). (T)  
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[2] Pursuant to FCC 20-143, separate rate elements for Toll Free and Non-Toll Free (N)  
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combined transport services is displayed as 8YY Joint Tandem Switched Transport, (N)  
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		<u>Rate</u>	
15.1.3.5	Originating Switched Access Local Switching <b>Non-Toll Free</b>	\$0.050100	(C)
	<b>Local Switching Toll Free</b>	<b>\$0.002126</b>	(R)(C)
15.1.3.6	Toll Free Data Base Access Service		
	Customer Identification		
	- Per Query	<b>\$0.000000</b>	(R)
	Customer Delivery Charge (aka <b>Basic Query</b> )		(C)
	- Per Query	\$0.004210	
15.1.3.7	Toll Free Inter-Exchange Delivery Service ( <b>Originating</b> )		(T)
	Tandem Switching	<b>\$0.000000</b>	(R)
	Tandem Termination	<b>\$0.000000</b>	(R)
	Tandem Transport per Mile	<b>\$0.000000</b>	(R)
	<b>8YY Joint Tandem Switched Transport</b>	<b>\$0.001000</b>	(N)

15.1.4 Application of rates for Local Connect Switched Access Service, Tandem Connect Switched Access Service, and Third-Party Tandem Connect Switched Access Service

15.1.4.1 – Rates Applicable To Local Connect Service

15.1.4.1.1 Entrance Facility/Direct Trunked Transport

To obtain Local Connect Service, the Customer must obtain a connection from its Premises in a local access and transport area to the Company local switch to which the Customer seeks to connect. To obtain that connection the Customer must purchase a combination of Entrance Facilities, Direct Trunked Transport, and DS1 switch ports, as well as multiplexing, if applicable.

The Direct Trunked Transport rate shall be applied per DS1-level, DS-3 level, or higher-level connection (for states in which multiple data rate options are available), at the appropriate per-month and per-mile rate(s) specified in Section 15.1.3.4.4 of this tariff. The Per Mile amounts shall be charged monthly and shall be calculated based on the distance between the Customer’s premises and the Company local switch to which the Customer seeks to connect, calculated in accordance with Section 10 of this Tariff.

15.1.4.1.2 Multiplexing

The Company’s network normally requires traffic delivered to its switches at the DS1 level. If a Customer chooses to obtain mutliplexing/demultiplexing services to convert DS3 to DS1 level signaling, the Customer may obtain that service from the Company at the rates stated in Section 15.1.3.4.3. These rates apply per minute of traffic multiplexed or demultiplied. If multiplexing between other data rates is required, the Company may provide such services in accordance with the terms of Section 11, Special Construction.

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