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# 1. Switched Access Charges

Access charges are fees charged by local telephone companies to other telephone companies for the use of their local network. These charges are not a government charge or tax. These charges pay for the portion of the local telephone company's network that is used to complete a call. Calls that cross state boundaries are considered "interstate" and are regulated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). By comparison, calls that are originated and end within a state are "intrastate" calls. Jurisdictions over those rates are generally overseen by either the state commission or state legislature. In Florida, these rates are not established by the commission. Incumbent local exchange carriers are required to file these rates with the Florida Public Service Commission. Table 1 identifies these rates for Florida's incumbent local exchange carriers.

In 2011, the FCC moved to adopt uniform regulation of all forms of access charges. The FCC's Order established a national transition to a "bill-and-keep" framework for all telecommunications traffic exchanged with local exchange companies. Under bill-and-keep, carriers look first to their subscribers to recover the costs of the network, then to explicit universal service support where necessary. The FCC's Order requires carriers to transition their terminating access rates to zero over time.

Table 1
Comparison of Intrastate and Interstate Switched Access Charges

Company	Intrastate Rate	Interstate Rate
AT&T Florida	\$0.0152	\$0.0095
Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink	\$0.0279	\$0.0116
FairPoint (Florala)	\$0.0761	\$0.0353
FairPoint (Gulf)	\$0.0709	\$0.0353
FairPoint (St. Joseph)	\$0.0755	\$0.0353
Frontier Communications of the South, Inc.	\$0.0553	\$0.0113
ITS Telecommunications Systems, Inc.	\$0.0730	\$0.0612
Northeast Florida Telephone Company, Inc.	\$0.0741	\$0.1152
Smart City Telecom	\$0.0674	\$0.0109
TDS Telecom/Quincy Telephone	\$0.0604	\$0.0104
Verizon Florida Incorporated	\$0.0315	\$0.0112
Windstream Florida, Inc.	\$0.0563	\$0.0096

# 2. Intrastate Switched Access Charges

The underlying calculations for each of the intrastate rates found in Table 1 are provided in Table 2 and represent intrastate switched access charges of incumbent carriers as of October 1, 2015. The recurring usage-sensitive switched access rate elements used for the recovery of local network costs are generally the same in both the federal and state jurisdictions. They consist of five major elements calculated to recover specific network costs and are delineated further through the designations "originating" and "terminating." The components of the usage-sensitive switched access rates are as follows:

- Originating and Terminating Carrier Common Line recovering a portion of the cost of the local loop (common line).
- Originating and Terminating Local Switching recovering the cost of local switching at the local exchange carrier's end office.
- Originating and Terminating Switched Transport recovering the cost of the network between the local exchange carrier's end office and the point of presence (POP) of the second telecommunications company.
- Originating and Terminating Tandem Switching recovering the cost of the tandem switches that route the calls between the local exchange company's end office and the POP.
- Originating and Terminating Tandem Switched Transport recovering the cost of the network between the tandem switch and the second telecommunications company's POP.

The application of the specific components depends upon the route the call takes for completion and is arranged by agreement between the carriers.

**Table 2-1 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\*** AT&T Florida

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
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Switched Transport**		40.00040
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0004375	\$0.0004618
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0007600	\$0.0003680
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0005000	\$0.0011450
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0081310	\$0.0017750
Common End Office Trunk Port per MOU	\$0.0008000	\$0.0008000
ВНМОС	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute: Total	\$0.0106285	\$0.0045498
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0152	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places. \*\* Switched common transport calculation:

	<u>Originating</u>	<b>Terminating</b>	
DS1: Per System (monthly)	\$139.98	\$147.75	(DS1)
Estimated MOU Equivalent	\$0.0004375	\$0.0004618	(= DS1/(24 VGE * 13330 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	Originating	Terminating	
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000400	\$0.0000200	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0003600	\$0.0001680	(T)
SCT	\$0.0007600	\$0.0003680	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable. *Source: Company response to Staff Data Request.* 

# Table 2-2 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\* Embarg Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink

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	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>		
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0032720	\$0.000000		
Switched Transport**				
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0005324	\$0.0005324		
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0006000	\$0.0009880		
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0008800	\$0.0013380		
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000		
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000		
End Office				
Local Switching	\$0.0174670	\$0.0015400		
Common End Office Trunk Port per MOU	\$0.0005570	\$0.0002400		
внмос	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000		
Feature Group D Access per Minute: Total	\$0.0233084	\$0.0046384		
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0279			

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

# **Local Channel/Entrance Facility**

	<u>Originating</u>	<b>Terminating</b>	
DS1: Per System (monthly)	\$115.00	\$115.00	(DS1)
Estimated MOU Equivalent	\$0.0005324	\$0.0005324	(= DS1/(24 VGE * 9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	Originating	<u> 1 erminating</u>	
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000400	\$0.0000550	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0002000	\$0.0004380	(T)
SCT	\$0.0006000	\$0.0009880	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

Table 2-3 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\* FairPoint (Florala)

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0304000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Switched Transport** Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0005069	\$0.0005069
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Switched Common Transport	\$0.0007600	\$0.0030570
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0005000	\$0.0026010
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0121300	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0177000	\$0.0079880
ВНМОС	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute: Total	\$0.0619969	\$0.0141529
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0761	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
DS1: Per System (monthly)	\$109.48	\$109.48	(DS1)
<b>Estimated MOU Equivalent</b>	\$0.0005069	\$0.0005069	(= DS1/(24 VGE*9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000400	\$0.0002010	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0003600	\$0.0010470	(T)
SCT	\$0.0007600	\$0.0030570	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

Table 2-4 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\* FairPoint (Gulf)

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0304000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0005069	\$0.0005069
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0007600	\$0.0030570
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0005000	\$0.0026390
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0068200	\$0.000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0177000	\$0.0079880
ВНМОС	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute: Total	\$0.0566869	\$0.0141909
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0709	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
DS1: Per System (monthly)	\$109.48	\$109.48	(DS1)
<b>Estimated MOU Equivalent</b>	\$0.0005069	\$0.0005069	(= DS1/(24 VGE*9000 MOU))

### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	,
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000400	\$0.0002010	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0003600	\$0.0010470	(T)
SCT	\$0.0007600	\$0.0030570	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

Table 2-5 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\* FairPoint (St. Joseph)

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0304000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0005069	\$0.0005069
ļ	\$0.0007600	\$0.003059
Switched Common Transport		
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0005000	\$0.0026390
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0114400	\$0.000000
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Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0177000	\$0.0079880
ВНМОС	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute: Total	\$0.0613069	\$0.0141909
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0755	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
DS1: Per System (monthly)	\$109.48	\$109.48	(DS1)
<b>Estimated MOU Equivalent</b>	\$0.0005069	\$0.0005069	(= DS1/(24 VGE*9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	•
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000400	\$0.0002010	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0003600	\$0.0010470	(T)
SCT	\$0.0007600	\$0.0030570	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

# Table 2-6 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\*

Frontier Communications of the South, Inc.

	Originating	Terminating
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0304000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0006944	\$0.0006944
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0007600	\$0.0025177
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0005000	\$0.0002000
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
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Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0177000	\$0.0018468
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ВНМОС	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0500544	\$0.0052890
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0553	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

#### **Local Channel/Entrance Facility**

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
DS1: Per System (monthly)	\$150.00	\$150.00	(DS1)
Estimated MOU Equivalent	\$0.0006944	\$0.0006944	(= DS1/(24 VGE*9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000400	\$0.0000100	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0003600	\$0.0024177	(T)
SCT	\$0.0007600	\$0.0025177	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Frontier adopts its interstate access tariff for intrastate switched access, with rate exceptions listed in its General Subscriber Service tariff. Switched common transport calculation:

# Table 2-7 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\*

ITS Telecommunications Systems, Inc.

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0247000	\$0.000000
Switched Transport**		
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0007600	\$0.0065340
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0155200	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0115000	\$0.0139750
LTR (Transitional Rate)	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0524800	\$0.0205090
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0730	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places. Assumes common transport.

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	<u>Originating</u>	<b>Terminating</b>	•
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000400	\$0.0004300	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0003600	\$0.0022340	(T)
SCT	\$0.0007600	\$0.0065340	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> ITS, effective 2/16/01, bills separately from AT&T and the mileage on Switched Common Transport has changed to 7.29 miles (27% of 27 miles). ITS uses 10 miles in this calculation in order to be consistent with this model. Switched common transport calculation:

**Table 2-8 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\*** 

Northeast Florida Telephone Company, Inc.

Carrier Common Line (Removed)	<u>Originating</u>	<u>Terminating</u>
Switched Transport**		
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0028590	\$0.0030570
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0005130
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0436250	\$0.0240910
FCC Transitional Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
ВНМОС	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute: Total	\$0.0464840	\$0.0276160
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0741	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places. \*\* Switched common transport calculation:

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	<u>Originating</u>	<b>Terminating</b>	
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0001880	\$0.0001980	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0009790	\$0.0010320	(T)
SCT	\$0.0028590	\$0.0030120	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

Table 2-9 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\* Smart City Telecom

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0304000	\$0.0000000
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Switched Transport		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0004662	\$0.0004662
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0007600	\$0.0009240
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0005000	\$0.0001770
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0121200	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0177000	\$0.0039000
внмос	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0619462	\$0.0054672
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0674	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

	<u>Originating</u>	<b>Terminating</b>	
DS1: Per System (monthly)	\$100.70	\$100.70	(DS1)
Estimated MOU Equivalent	\$0.0004662	\$0.0004662	(= DS1/(24 VGE*9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000400	\$0.0000210	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0003600	\$0.0007140	(T)
SCT	\$0.0007600	\$0.0009240	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

# Table 2-10 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\* TDS Telecom/Quincy Telephone

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0304000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0001885	\$0.0001885
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0005800	\$0.0008510
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0063600	\$0.000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0177000	\$0.0041450
внмос	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0552285	\$0.0051845
Originating & Terminating Access:***	\$0.0604	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

#### **Local Channel/Entrance Facility**

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
DS1: Per System (monthly)	\$40.71	\$40.71	(DS1)
Estimated MOU Equivalent	\$0.0001885	\$0.0001885	(= DS1/(24 VGE*9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000400	\$0.0000560	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0001800	\$0.0002910	(T)
SCT	\$0.0005800	\$0.0008510	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> If TDS Telecom/Quincy's effective transport rates were to be used, its total rate would be \$0.0800 rather than the \$0.0604 the model produces.

## Table 2-11 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\* Verizon Florida Incorporated

	Originating	Terminating
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0159409	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0011574	\$0.0011574
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0000200	\$0.0000200
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0007500	\$0.0015740
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching 2 (Bundled)	\$0.0072795	\$0.0000000
Common End Office Trunk per MOU	\$0.0016920	\$0.0000000
Transitional Terminating Access Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
Composite Terminating End Office Charge	\$0.0019180	
внмос	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute: Total	\$0.0268398	\$0.0046694
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0315	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

#### **Local Channel/Entrance Facility**

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
DS1: Per System (monthly)	\$250.00	\$250.00	(DS1)
Estimated MOU Equivalent	\$0.0011574	\$0.0011574	(= DS1/(24 VGE*9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	<u>Originating</u>	<b>Terminating</b>	
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000020	\$0.000020	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000	(T)
SCT	\$0.0000200	\$0.0000200	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

Table 2-12 Switched Access Charges Intrastate Premium Rates\* Windstream Florida, Inc.

	Originating	Terminating
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0304000	\$0.000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0006644	\$0.0006644
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0007600	\$0.0004150
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0005000	\$0.0015600
Tandam Switched Multiplexing	\$0.0000000	\$0.000020
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0022110	\$0.000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0177000	\$0.0012440
Common Trunk Port	\$0.0000000	\$0.0001842
ВНМОС	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0522354	\$0.0040696
Originating & Terminating Access:	\$0.0563	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>	
DS1: Per System (monthly)	\$77.74	\$77.74	(DS1)
Estimated MOU Equivalent	\$0.0006644	\$0.0006644	(= DS1/(24 VGE*4875 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

	<u>Originating</u>	<b>Terminating</b>	
Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0000400	\$0.0000340	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0003600	\$0.0000750	(T)
SCT	\$0.0007600	\$0.0004150	(= T + (10 * F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

# 3. Interstate Switched Access Charges

The underlying calculations for each of the interstate rates found in Table 1 are provided in Table 3 and represent interstate switched access charges of incumbent carriers as of October 1, 2015. Table 3 provides the detailed calculations for each incumbent carrier's interstate access rates. The recurring usage-sensitive switched access rate elements used for the recovery of local network costs are generally the same in both the federal and state jurisdictions. They consist of five major elements calculated to recover specific network costs and are delineated further through the designations "originating" and "terminating." The components of the usage-sensitive switched access rates are as follows:

- Originating and Terminating Carrier Common Line recovering a portion of the cost of the local loop (common line).
- Originating and Terminating Local Switching recovering the cost of local switching at the local exchange carrier's end office.
- Originating and Terminating Switched Transport recovering the cost of the network between the local exchange carrier's end office and the point of presence (POP) of the second telecommunications company.
- Originating and Terminating Tandem Switching recovering the cost of the tandem switches that route the calls between the local exchange company's end office and the POP.
- Originating and Terminating Tandem Switched Transport recovering the cost of the network between the tandem switch and the second telecommunications company's POP.

The application of the specific components depends upon the route the call takes for completion and is arranged by agreement between the carriers.

Table 3-1 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\* AT&T Florida

	Originating	Terminating
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0004618	\$0.0004618
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0003680	\$0.0003680
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0011450	\$0.0011450
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0021260	\$0.0017750
Common End Office Trunk Port per MOU	\$0.0008000	\$0.0008000
Feature Group D Access per Minute: Total	\$0.0049008	\$0.0045498
Originating + Terminating Access:	\$0.0095	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

DS1: Per System (monthly) \$147.75 (DS1)

**Estimated MOU Equivalent** \$0.0004618 (= DS1/(24 VGE \* 13330 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile) \$0.0000200 (F) Termination (MOU/termination) \$0.0001680 (T)

**SCT**  $0.0003680 \quad (= T + (10 * F))$ 

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

# Table 3-2 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\* Embarg Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink

	<b>Originating</b>
Common Line	<u>¢0 000000</u>

	Originating	<u>rerminating</u>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0005324	\$0.0005324
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0009880	\$0.0009880
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0013380	\$0.0013380
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0035680	\$0.0015400
Common End Office Trunk Port per MOU	\$0.0005570	\$0.0002400
Feature Group D Access per Minute: Total	\$0.0069834	\$0.0046384
Originating + Terminating Access:	\$0.0116	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

#### **Local Channel/Entrance Facility**

DS1: Per System (monthly) \$115.00 (DS1)

**Estimated MOU Equivalent** \$0.0005324 (= DS1 / (24 VGE \* 9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile) \$0.0000550 (F) Termination (MOU/termination) \$0.0004380 (T)

**SCT** 0.0009880 = T + (10 \* F)

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

Table 3-3 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\* FairPoint (Florala)

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0005069	\$0.0005069
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0030570	\$0.0030570
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0026390	\$0.0026390
Interconnection Charge	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0005280	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching - Prem	\$0.0143980	\$0.0079880
Local Switching - Non-Prem	\$0.0064790	\$0.0054280
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0211289***	\$0.0141909***
Originating + Terminating Access:	\$0.0353	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

DS1: Per System (monthly) \$109.48 (DS1)

**Estimated MOU Equivalent** \$0.0005069 (= DS1/(24 VGE \* 9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile) \$0.0002010 (F) Termination (MOU/termination) \$0.0010470 (T)

**SCT** 0.0030570 = T + (10 \* F)

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

#### \*\*\* Calculated Assuming "Prem" Originating Switching

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

Table 3-4 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\* FairPoint (Gulf)

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0005069	\$0.0005069
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0030570	\$0.0030570
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0026390	\$0.0026390
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0005280	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching - Prem	\$0.0143980	\$0.0079880
Local Switching - Non-Prem	\$0.0064790	\$0.0054280
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0211289***	\$0.0141909***
Originating + Terminating Access:	\$0.0353	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

DS1: Per System (monthly) \$109.48 (DS1)

**Estimated MOU Equivalent** \$0.0005069 (= DS1/(24 VGE \* 9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile) \$0.0002010 (F) Termination (MOU/termination) \$0.0010470 (T)

**SCT** 0.0030570 = T + (10 \* F)

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

\*\*\* Calculated Assuming "Prem" Originating Switching and Information Surcharge

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

Table 3-5 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\* FairPoint (St. Joseph)

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0005069	\$0.0005069
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0030570	\$0.0030570
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0026390	\$0.0026390
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0005280	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching - Prem	\$0.0143980	\$0.0079880
Local Switching - Non-Prem	\$0.0064790	\$0.0054280
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0211289***	\$0.0141909***
Originating + Terminating Access:	\$0.0353	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

DS1: Per System (monthly) \$109.48 (DS1)

**Estimated MOU Equivalent** \$0.0005069 (= DS1/(24 VGE \* 9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile) \$0.0002010 (F) Termination (MOU/termination) \$0.0010470 (T)

**SCT** 0.0030570 = T + (10 \* F)

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

#### \*\*\* Calculated Assuming "Prem" Switching

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

# Table 3-6 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\*

### Frontier Communications of the South, Inc.

\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
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•	\$0.0006944
\$0.0025177	\$0.0025177
\$0.0002000	\$0.0002000
\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
\$0.0026511	\$0.0018468
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\$0.0060633	\$0.0052589
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<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

#### **Local Channel/Entrance Facility**

DS1: Per System (monthly) \$150.00 (DS1)

**Estimated MOU Equivalent** \$0.0006944 (= DS1/(24 VGE \* 9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile) \$0.0000100 (F) Termination (MOU/termination) \$0.0024177 (T)

**SCT** 0.0025177 = T + (10 \* F)

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

# Table 3-7 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\*

ITS Telecommunications Systems, Inc.

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.000000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0065340	\$0.0065340
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Interconnection Charge	\$0.000000	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0005280	\$0.0000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0335990	\$0.0139750
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0406610	\$0.0205090
Originating + Terminating Access:	\$0.0612	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

Switched common transport calculation:

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0004300	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0022340	(T)

**SCT**  $\$0.0065340 \quad (= T + (10 * F))$ 

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> ITS Telecommunications Systems, Inc. concurs in the National Exchange Carrier Association's (NECA) rates. ITS is in NECA's Local Switch Band 6. There is no longer an Interconnection Charge. ITS, effective 2/16/01, bills separately from AT&T and the mileage on Switched Common Transport has changed to 7.29 miles (27% of 27 miles). ITS uses 10 miles in this calculation in order to be consistent with this model. Switched Transport rate is Rate Band 2.

# Table 3-8 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\*

Northeast Florida Telephone Company, Inc.

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	<u>Originating</u>	<u>Terminating</u>				
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000				
Switched Transport**						
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0030120	\$0.0030120				
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000				
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Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000				
interconnection charge	ψ0.000000	ψ0.000000				
Information Surcharge	\$0.0520000	\$0.0000000				
information surcharge	\$0.0320000	\$0.000000				
E 1000						
End Office						
Local Switching	\$0.0331170	\$0.0240910				
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0881290	\$0.0271030				
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Originating + Terminating Access:	\$0.1152					
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<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile)	\$0.0001980	(F)
Termination (MOU/termination)	\$0.0010320	(T)

SCT 0.0030120 (= T + (10 \* F))

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

Table 3-9 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\* Smart City Telecom

	Originating	Terminating
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0004662	\$0.0004662
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0009240	\$0.0009240
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0001770	\$0.0001770
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Information Curchange	000000 02	ΦΩ ΩΩΩΩΩΩ
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0039000	\$0.0039000
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0054672	\$0.0054672
<b>Originating + Terminating Access:</b>	\$0.0109	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

DS1: Per System (monthly) \$100.70 (DS1)

**Estimated MOU Equivalent** \$0.0004662 (= DS1/(24 VGE \* 9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile) \$0.0000210 (F) Termination (MOU/termination) \$0.0007140 (T)

**SCT**  $0.0009240 \quad (= T + (10 * F))$ 

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

# Table 3-10 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\* TDS Telecom/Ouincy Telephone

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	<b>Originating</b>	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
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Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0001885	\$0.0001885
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0008510	\$0.0008510
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0001466	\$0.0000000
End Office		
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0039990	\$0.0041450
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0051851	\$0.0051845
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Originating + Terminating Access:***	\$0.0104	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

Switched common transport calculation:

#### **Local Channel/Entrance Facility**

DS1: Per System (monthly) \$40.71 (DS1)

**Estimated MOU Equivalent** \$0.0001885 (= DS1/(24 VGE \* 9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile) \$0.0000560 (F) Termination (MOU/termination) \$0.0002910 (T)

**SCT**  $\$0.0008510 \quad (=T + (10 * F))$ 

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

\*\*\* If TDS Telecom/Quincy's effective transport rates were to be used, its total rate would be \$0.0106 rather than the \$0.0104 the model produces.

<sup>\*\*</sup> TDS Telecom/Quincy does not have a tandem switching rate because of its arrangement with Embarq. TDS Telecom/Quincy concurs in the John Staurulakis, Inc., (JSI) rates.

# Table 3-11 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\* Verizon Florida Incorporated

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	<u>Originating</u>	<u>Terminating</u>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0011574	\$0.0011574
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0000200	\$0.0000200
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0015740	\$0.0015740
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Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000000	\$0.000000
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End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0020995	\$0.000000
Common End Office Trunk Port per MOU	\$0.0016920	\$0.000000
Composite Terminating End Office Charge	\$0.0019180	
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Feature Group D Access per Minute: Total	\$0.0065429	\$0.0046694
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Originating   Towningting Assess	¢0.0112	
Originating + Terminating Access:	\$0.0112	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

#### **Local Channel/Entrance Facility**

DS1: Per System (monthly) \$250.00 (DS1)

**Estimated MOU Equivalent** \$0.0011574 (= DS1/(24 VGE \* 9000 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile) \$0.0000020 (F) Termination (MOU/termination) \$0.0000000 (T)

**SCT** 0.0000200 = T + (10 \* F)

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

Table 3-12 Switched Access Charges Interstate Premium Rates\* Windstream Florida, Inc.

	Originating	<b>Terminating</b>
Carrier Common Line	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Switched Transport**		
Local Channel/Entrance Facility	\$0.0006644	\$0.0006644
Switched Common Transport	\$0.0004150	\$0.0004150
Access Tandem Switching	\$0.0004130	\$0.0004130
Tandem Switched Multiplexing	\$0.0013000	\$0.0013000
Tandem Switched Multiplexing	\$0.0000020	\$0.000020
Interconnection Charge	\$0.0000000	\$0.0000000
Information Surcharge	\$0.0000010	\$0.000000
End Office		
Local Switching	\$0.0025390	\$0.0012440
Common Trunk Port	\$0.0003760	\$0.0001842
Feature Group D Access per Minute:Total	\$0.0055574	\$0.0040696
Originating + Terminating Access:	\$0.0096	

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not appear to add correctly because the total is rounded to 4 decimal places.

DS1: Per System (monthly) \$77.74 (DS1)

**Estimated MOU Equivalent** \$0.0006644 (= DS1/(24 VGE \* 4875 MOU))

#### **Switched Common Transport (SCT)**

Facility (MOU/airline mile) \$0.0000340 (F) Termination (MOU/termination) \$0.0000750 (T)

**SCT**  $0.0004150 \quad (= T + (10 * F))$ 

Local Channel/Entrance Facility & SCT rates are for zone 2 and first system, if applicable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Switched common transport calculation:

# 4. Interstate Per-Line Charges

The FCC allows local telephone companies to bill customers for a portion of the costs of providing access and recover their contribution to the federal universal service program. While the maximum allowable charges are set by the FCC, telephone companies are free to charge less or nothing at all. Some assessments, such as the subscriber line charge, the Access Recovery Charge, and the Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge vary based on the nature of the customer (i.e., residential or business) and if it is the first line or an additional line to the same home or office. Table 4 shows the interstate per line charges related to access charges assessed on consumers and the federal universal service fund.

Table 4 also divides incumbent carriers into carriers that are members of the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) and those that are not (non-NECA). Carriers that are members of NECA tend to be smaller rural carriers. NECA is a non-profit organization established by the FCC to implement the necessary procedures of what and how access charges will be applied for interstate traffic. NECA files interstate access charges with the FCC, and after approval, pools interstate access collections from the local exchange carriers and distributes these revenues equitably to the member based on each one's contributions in terms of expenses and capital investment for interstate toll.

The Subscriber Line Charge (SLC) is an FCC approved charge billed by telephone companies to pay part of the cost of a phone line to residential and business customers. It is designed to help local phone companies recover the cost of providing "local loops" which refers to outside telephone wires, underground conduit, telephone poles, and other equipment and facilities connecting customers to the telephone network. Neither the FCC nor any other government agency receives the SLC.

The Access Recovery Charge (ARC) was recently adopted as part of reforms to the intercarrier compensation regimes. This transitional recovery charge is intended to mitigate the effect of reduced intercarrier revenues and facilitate continued investment in broadband. The FCC caps the maximum price that a company may charge for this. Beginning July 1, 2012, the FCC allowed incumbent local exchange carriers to assess the ARC. The FCC will allow incumbent local exchange carriers to bill the ARC separately, or to combine the ARC with the SLC for purposes of billing the two charges. The ARC is not charged to Lifeline customers.

The Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge (PICC, pronounced "pixie") is a flat fee long distance companies pay to the local telephone company when consumers pre-subscribe a telephone line to their long distance service. The charge is designed to compensate the local telephone companies for the costs associated with providing "local loop" service. Long distance companies can choose to pass this charge on to their customers. If a consumer or business has not selected a long distance company for its telephone lines, the local telephone company may bill for the PICC. On July 1, 2000, the FCC ruled that long distance companies no longer will have to pay this fee to local companies for residential lines, or single line businesses. The charge continues for multiple line businesses.

The Universal Service Charge is a federal fee charged to all companies that provide telephone service and is collected to fund the federal universal service program. This program provides support to help make phone service affordable and available to consumers with low incomes; those living in high cost areas, schools, libraries, and rural health care providers. While the fee is assessed on telecommunications carriers (based on their interstate and international revenues), carriers can pass these fees on to their customers. Because some assessment fees, such as the SLC and ARC, are interstate in nature, consumers may be assessed a Universal Service Charge on these fees. As a result, consumers that have not made any interstate or international calls may be assessed a Universal Service Charge. The percent assessed on revenues changes from quarter to quarter depending on the growth in the program or changes in the assessment base (i.e., interstate and international revenues). The FCC assessment factor reported in this report is for the fourth quarter of 2015 and is established by the FCC.

For a residential primary line, the Universal Service Charge would be the sum of the subscriber line charge and the access recovery charge times the assessment factor. This represents the maximum amount a carrier can charge associated with those line items. If a residential customer also makes interstate or international calls, the Universal Service Charge would increase based on the charges associated with those calls times the assessment factor. The method of calculating the Universal Service Charge is the same for a single business line, but applying the single line business subscriber line charge and access recovery charge.

Table 4
Interstate Per-Line Charges

		Subscriber Line Charge (SLC)					
		Residential	Residential	Business	Business		
		primary line	non-primary line	single line	multiline		
<b>A</b>	AT&T	\$6.50	\$6.51	\$6.50	\$6.51		
EC	CenturyLink	\$6.15	\$6.15	\$6.15	\$6.88		
	Frontier	\$6.50	\$6.60	\$6.50	\$9.20		
NON-NECA	Verizon	\$6.50	\$7.00	\$6.50	\$8.52		
Ž	Windstream	\$6.37	\$6.37	\$6.37	\$6.37		
	FairPoint <sup>1</sup>	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$9.20		
⋖	ITS	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$9.20		
NECA	Northeast	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$9.20		
Z	Smart City	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$9.20		
	TDS/Quincy	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$9.20		

		Access Recovery Charge (ARC)			Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge (PICC)
		Residential lines	Business single line	Business multiline	Business multiline
A	AT&T	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.17	\$0.00
EC	CenturyLink	\$1.20	\$1.20	\$2.38	\$0.00
Z	Frontier	\$1.36	\$1.36	\$2.64	\$2.40
NON-NECA	Verizon	\$1.17	\$1.17	\$2.36	\$0.00
Ž	Windstream	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$0.00
	FairPoint <sup>1</sup>	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$0.00
A	ITS	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$3.00
NECA	Northeast	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$3.00	\$5.50
Z	Smart City	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$3.00	\$5.00
	TDS/Quincy	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$0.00

		Universal Service Charge				
		Residential Primary Line Charge	Business Single Line Charge	Assessment Factor		
A	AT&T	\$1.08	\$1.08	16.70%		
EC	CenturyLink	\$1.23	\$1.23	16.70%		
NON-NECA	Frontier	\$1.26	\$1.26	16.70%		
	Verizon	\$1.28	\$1.28	16.70%		
Ž	Windstream	\$1.39	\$1.39	16.70%		
	FairPoint <sup>1</sup>	\$1.41	\$1.41	16.70%		
<b>₹</b>	ITS	\$1.41	\$1.41	16.70%		
NECA	Northeast	\$1.33	\$1.33	16.70%		
Z	Smart City	\$1.33	\$1.33	16.70%		
	TDS/Quincy	\$1.41	\$1.41	16.70%		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All FairPoint Divisions

The Subscriber Line Charge (SLC) is billed by LECs to end users.

The Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge (PICC) is billed by LECs to IXCs. IXCs, however, may choose to pass this charge on to end users.

The Universal Service Charge is assessed on interstate and international revenues. Because line items such as the SLC and ARC are considered interstate in nature, consumers can have a USF line charge even if they have not made any long distance or international calls.

# 5. Message Toll Service

Message Toll Service (MTS) is a term for long distance service that can vary by distance and time of day. The mileage provided in Table 5 is the distance between two rate centers. Rate centers are points within an exchange area used as the basis for the determination of toll rates. The monthly charge for many leased circuits is billed on the basis of "airline mileage" between the two points.

Historically, the rates increased the further the call traveled. The distance sensitive rates have decreased over time. Table 5 provides the basic residential rates for each incumbent local exchange carrier according to mileage bands for their IntraLATA Daytime Rates. For some companies, these rates continue to increase with distance. These rates shown in Table 5 are generally higher than those provided in bundles the company may offer.

Table 5
Message Toll Service (MTS) Rates ILEC IntraLATA Daytime Rates

	AT&T		CenturyLink		FairPoint (Florala)	
Mileage	First	Additional	First	Additional	First	Additional
	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute
0-10	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$0.17	\$0.08
11-22	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$0.23	\$0.14
23-55	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.24	\$0.20
56-124	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.24	\$0.20
125-292	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.24	\$0.21

	FairPoint (Gulf)		FairPo	FairPoint (St. Joe)		ITS Telecommunications	
Mileage	First	Additional	First	Additional	First	Additional	
	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute	
0-10	\$0.17	\$0.08	\$0.17	\$0.08	\$0.089	\$0.089	
11-22	\$0.23	\$0.14	\$0.23	\$0.14	\$0.089	\$0.089	
23-55	\$0.24	\$0.20	\$0.24	\$0.20	\$0.089	\$0.089	
56-124	\$0.24	\$0.20	\$0.24	\$0.20	\$0.089	\$0.089	
125-292	\$0.24	\$0.21	\$0.24	\$0.21	\$0.089	\$0.089	

	Northeast Florida		TDS Telecom/Quincy		Smart City Telecom	
Mileage	First	Additional	First	Additional	First	Additional
	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute
0-10	n/a	n/a	\$0.00	\$0.00	n/a	n/a
11-22	\$0.18	\$0.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.25	\$0.16
23-55	\$0.24	\$0.21	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.25	\$0.24
56-124	\$0.24	\$0.21	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.25	\$0.24
125-292	n/a	n/a	\$0.00	\$0.00	n/a	n/a

	Verizon	(peak rates)	Windstream Florida, Inc.		Frontier Comm of the	
					South	
Mileage	First	Additional	First	Additional	First	Additional
	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute	Minute
0-10	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.15	\$0.08	\$0.17	\$0.08
11-22	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.18	\$0.12	\$0.23	\$0.14
23-55	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.19	\$0.19	\$0.24	\$0.20
56-124	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.20	\$0.20	\$0.24	\$0.20
125-292	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$0.24	\$0.21

# 6. Basic Local Service Rates

The basic local service rates represented in Table 6 include the minimum and maximum rates each incumbent local carrier offers its customers for local service if purchased separately or on a stand-alone basis.

Table 6
Basic Local Rate Ranges

	AT&T		CenturyLink	
	Residential	Business	Residential	Business
Lowest Rate Group	\$12.45	\$99.00	\$20.46	\$29.00
Highest Rate Group	\$25.00	\$99.00	\$20.46	\$33.50

	FairPoint <sup>1</sup>		ITS Telecommunications	
	Residential	Business	Residential	Business
Lowest Rate Group	\$17.00	\$21.38	\$16.00	\$22.82
Highest Rate Group	\$17.00	\$30.49	\$16.00	\$22.82

	Northeast Florida		TDS Telecom/Quincy	
	Residential	Business	Residential	Business
Lowest Rate Group	\$14.00	\$24.40	\$15.20	\$35.00
Highest Rate Group	\$14.00	\$24.40	\$15.20	\$35.00

	Smart City Telecom		Verizon	
	Residential	Business	Residential	Business
Lowest Rate Group	\$16.00	\$18.03	\$23.48	\$41.00
Highest Rate Group	\$16.00	\$25.56	\$23.48	\$41.00

	Windstream Florida, Inc.		Frontier Comm of the South	
	Residential	Business	Residential	Business
Lowest Rate Group	\$10.24	\$27.99	\$12.85	\$28.59
Highest Rate Group	\$13.46	\$35.99	\$15.35	\$65.95

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All FairPoint Divisions