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Dear Ms. Salak:

Pursuant to Florida Statute 364.051, we are filing revisions to our General Subscriber Service and Private Line Service Tariff. Attachment A lists the tariff pages being filed with the Commission.

This filing makes BellSouth's current High Voltage Protection Equipment offer obsolete, adds language informing customers that state of the art High Voltage Protection Equipment is made available by BellSouth under special assembly and adds terms and conditions under which customers may provide their own high voltage protection, if desired.

Acknowledgment, date of receipt and authority number of this filing are requested.

Your consideration and approval will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Nancy H. Sims (slg)

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Director  
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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **Obsolescence of Existing High Voltage Protection Equipment Offer and Terms & Conditions for Electrically Hazardous Locations** (FL2005-162)

#### **Introduction**

The purpose of this filing is to obsolesce BellSouth's existing High Voltage Protection Equipment offer and to establish Terms and Conditions under which customers may purchase from BellSouth, under special assembly, high voltage isolation equipment that meets ongoing standards set by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers ("IEEE") and that meets the customer's location specific requirements. In addition, language is added explaining Terms and Conditions under which customers may opt to obtain, install and maintain such equipment themselves.

#### **Description of Tariff Modifications**

This filing moves service detailed in Section A14.4 of the GSST to the Obsolete Service Offerings Section A114.4.

This filing adds language to Sections A2.3 and B2.3, stating that the customer can obtain state of the art voltage isolation equipment BellSouth via Special Assembly. In addition, language is added explaining terms and conditions under which a customer may choose to install and maintain their own voltage isolation equipment at a location that is electrically hazardous

#### **Affect on Existing Customers**

When this filing becomes effective, customers can keep in place High Voltage Protection Equipment service they currently have installed until such units are discontinued.

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## A2. GENERAL REGULATIONS<sup>4</sup>

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### A2.3 Establishment and Furnishing of Service (Cont'd)

#### A2.3.10 Provision and Ownership of Equipment and Facilities (Cont'd)

- B. Subscribers may not disconnect or remove or permit others to disconnect or remove any apparatus installed by the Company, except as expressly provided in this Tariff or upon the written consent of the Company.
- C. Equipment and facilities furnished by the Company shall, upon termination of service from any cause whatsoever, be returned to it in good condition, reasonable wear and tear thereof expected.

#### A2.3.11 Provision and Ownership of Directories

Telephone directories distributed from time to time by the Company remain the property of the Company, shall not be mutilated and shall be surrendered upon request. No binder, holder, insert or auxiliary cover or attachment of any kind not furnished by the Company shall be attached to the directories owned by the Company, except that this prohibition shall not apply to a subscriber-provided binder, holder, insert, or auxiliary cover which is not so attached as to impede reference to essential service information or otherwise interferes with service.

Each subscriber served by a directory shall be furnished one copy of that directory for each exchange access line. When requested by the subscriber, a reasonable number of additional directories may be provided and no charge will apply. Charges for foreign directories are specified in the BellSouth National Telephone Directory Price List.

#### A2.3.12 Provision and Ownership of Telephone Numbers

Telephone numbers are the property of the Company and are assigned to the service furnished the subscriber. The subscriber has no property right to the telephone number or any other call number designation associated with services furnished by the Company, and no right to the continuance of service through any particular central office. The Company reserves the right to change such numbers, or the central office designation associated with such numbers, or both, assigned to the subscriber, whenever the Company deems it necessary to do so in the conduct of its business.

#### A2.3.13 Maintenance and Repairs

All ordinary expense of maintenance and repairs, unless otherwise specified in this tariff, is borne by the Company. In case of damage, loss, theft, or destruction of any of the Company's property due to the negligence or willful act of the subscriber or other persons authorized to use the service, and not due to ordinary wear and tear or causes beyond the control of the subscriber, the subscriber shall be required to pay the expense incurred by the Company in connection with the replacement of the property damaged, lost, stolen, or destroyed, or the expense incurred in restoring it to its original condition.

#### A2.3.14 Company Facilities at Hazardous or Inaccessible Locations

Where new or additional service is to be established at a location that would involve undue hazards, or where accessibility is impracticable, to employees of the Company, the subscriber may be required to install and maintain the Company's equipment and facilities in a manner satisfactory to the Company, any remuneration to be based on the conditions involved. (D)

Where new or additional service is to be established at a location that has a hazardous electrical environment (e.g., an electric power substation or generating plant or a high voltage transmission tower, switching or distribution location), the customer must have high voltage isolation equipment installed at such premises whenever hazardous voltages of 1000V peak-asymmetrical or greater exist prior to the installation of BellSouth ordered service. If the customer is aware that its premises are located where such hazardous voltages exist, the customer must notify BellSouth of this fact at the time its order for service is placed. BellSouth makes high voltage isolation equipment that complies with the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers ("IEEE") Standards 487 and 1590 available to its customer under Special Assembly to meet location specific requirements. (N)

The customer may elect to provide high voltage protection by means other than BellSouth Special Assembly and if customer so elects, the customer shall submit its proposed design and equipment specifications to BellSouth for BellSouth's approval prior to installation of BellSouth service ordered. Where the customer has elected to select, install, use and maintain its own high voltage protection equipment, the customer does so with the understanding that it is solely responsible for any interruption of BellSouth's service associated with its selection, installation, use or maintenance of the high voltage protection. Furthermore, the customer, its employees, agents, officers, directors, affiliates, successors and assigns agree to indemnify and hold BellSouth, its subsidiaries, affiliates and their collective employees, agents, officers, and directors harmless from all loss, liabilities, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees and all costs of defense and settlement, resulting from interruption of service, damage to property, claims, demands, suits or actions of any nature whatsoever arising from the failure of the high voltage protection selected, installed, used or maintained by the customer. (N)

BellSouth reserves the right to suspend any service it provides absent required high voltage protection until adequate protection is provided. (N)

Standard intervals do not apply for service ordered where voltage isolation equipment is required and must be installed prior to installation of new or additional service ordered from BellSouth. (N)

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### A14.4 High Voltage Protection Equipment (Obsoleted, See Section A114)

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#### ~~A14.4.1 General~~

- ~~A. Company services extending to electric power generating and distributing locations may require special equipment to isolate or neutralize the environmental hazards experienced when ground potentials rise due to faults in the electric power system. The subscriber is responsible for conditioning the environment to eliminate hazardous voltages due to ground potential rises.~~
- ~~B. The Company shall determine the proper levels of protection to isolate or neutralize the electrical hazard and will provide, if necessary and at the request of the subscriber, the equipment to perform this function at the charges as specified following.~~
- ~~C. The subscriber may elect to furnish the equipment required to neutralize electrical hazards subject to the approval by the Company of the proper levels of protection and the equipment provided by the subscriber.~~

#### ~~A14.4.2 Rates and Charges~~

- ~~A. The following charges are applicable for high voltage protection devices furnished by the Company and do not include equipment cabinets or mounting arrangements which may be provided by either the subscriber, or the Company at additional cost.<sup>2</sup>~~

~~1. Neutralizing protection suitable for exchange and private line services requiring direct current transmission;~~

~~a. Up to 2,500 volt, steady voltage~~

~~(1) Single units, each, (maximum of 5 per premises)~~

	<del>Installation Charge</del>	<del>Monthly Rate</del>	<del>USOC</del>
<del>(a) Interior or exterior mounted units<sup>3</sup></del>	<del>\$105.75</del>	<del>\$8.80</del>	<del>PJX</del>
<del>(2) Multiple units, each, with a maximum capacity of:</del>			
<del>(a) 11 channels</del>	<del>529.00</del>	<del>223.45</del>	<del>PJF</del>
<del>(b) 16 channels</del>	<del>529.00</del>	<del>237.40</del>	<del>PJE</del>
<del>(c) 25 channels</del>	<del>529.00</del>	<del>259.00</del>	<del>PJJ</del>
<del>(d) 100 channels</del>	<del>714.25</del>	<del>642.40</del>	<del>PJN</del>

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~~Note 2: Installation charges specified for service or equipment will not be applicable on the following items of equipment left in place and reconnected for the same subscriber.~~

~~Note 3: Four wire channels require two transformers per termination.~~

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**A14.4 High Voltage Protection Equipment (Obsoleted, See Section A114) (Cont'd)**

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**A14.4.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)**

**A. (Cont'd)<sup>2</sup>**

1. ~~Neutralizing protection suitable for exchange and private line services requiring direct current transmission, (Cont'd)~~

b. ~~Up to 4,000 volt, steady state voltage~~

(1) ~~Single units, each, (maximum of 5 per premises)~~

	<del>Installation Charge</del>	<del>Monthly Rate</del>	<del>USOC</del>
(a) <del>Interior or exterior mounted units<sup>3</sup></del>	<del>\$105.75</del>	<del>\$8.80</del>	<del>PJX-</del>
e. <del>Up to 4,500 volt, steady state voltage</del>			
(1) <del>Multiple units each, with a maximum capacity of:</del>			
(a) <del>11 channels</del>	<del>555.50</del>	<del>245.05</del>	<del>PK8-</del>
(b) <del>16 channels</del>	<del>555.50</del>	<del>265.35</del>	<del>PK9-</del>
(c) <del>25 channels</del>	<del>555.50</del>	<del>293.30</del>	<del>PKA-</del>
(d) <del>50 channels</del>	<del>608.25</del>	<del>418.95</del>	<del>PKC-</del>
(e) <del>100 channels</del>	<del>714.25</del>	<del>698.30</del>	<del>PKD-</del>

d. ~~Up to 8,000 volt, steady state voltage~~

(1) ~~Single units (maximum of 5 per premises)~~

(a) ~~Each~~

~~317.50~~                      ~~20.30~~                      ~~PV2-~~

e. ~~Up to 9,000 volt, steady state voltage~~

(1) ~~Multiple units, each with a maximum capacity of:~~

(a) ~~6 channels~~

~~555.50~~                      ~~300.90~~                      ~~PKE-~~

(b) ~~11 channels~~

~~555.50~~                      ~~314.85~~                      ~~PKF-~~

(c) ~~16 channels~~

~~555.50~~                      ~~342.80~~                      ~~PKH-~~

(d) ~~25 channels~~

~~597.75~~                      ~~376.65~~                      ~~PKN-~~

(e) ~~50 channels~~

~~650.75~~                      ~~530.70~~                      ~~PKV-~~

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~~Note 3: Four wire channels require two transformers per termination.~~

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### A14.4 High Voltage Protection Equipment (Obsoleted, See Section A114) (Cont'd)

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#### ~~A14.4.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)~~

##### ~~A. (Cont'd)<sup>2</sup>~~

~~1. Neutralizing protection suitable for exchange and private line services requiring direct current transmission, (Cont'd)~~

~~e. Up to 9,000 volt, steady state voltage (Cont'd)~~

~~(1) Multiple units, each with a maximum capacity of: (Cont'd)~~

	<del>Installation Charge</del>	<del>Monthly Rate</del>	<del>USOC</del>
<del>(f) 100 channels</del>	<del>\$740.50</del>	<del>\$823.95</del>	<del>PKW-</del>
<del>2. Isolating Transformers suitable for private line services requiring alternating current transmission</del>			
<del>(a) Per transformer provided<sup>3</sup></del>	<del>53.00</del>	<del>3.50</del>	<del>PKX-</del>
<del>3. Mutual drainage reactors, where provided at either the customer location, central office or intermediate location</del>			
<del>(a) Each</del>	<del>26.50</del>	<del>3.15</del>	<del>PU8-</del>
<del>4. The above charges do not include costs associated with the provision of channels for remote ground specified elsewhere in the Private Line Service tariff under "Channels for Telemetry Supervisory Control and Miscellaneous Signaling Purposes."</del>			

### A14.5 Reserved For Future Use

### A14.6 Reserved For Future Use

### A14.7 Message Register Service

#### A14.7.1 General

- A. Message register equipment is furnished subscribers for the purpose of providing readings of traffic volume on local exchange telephone service.

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## A114. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT

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## A114. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT ⊕

### A114.1 Special Line Filter

(Obsoleted 6-06-80, Type 1)

#### A114.1.1 General

- A. This filter is intended for usage with certain telephone and telegraph equipment at classified locations of Federal Government Agencies.

#### A114.1.2 Rates

1. Line Filter

	Installation Charge	Monthly Rate	USOC	
(a) Each <sup>1</sup>	\$35.25	\$8.45	SGV	⊕

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**Note 1:** Installation charge will not be applicable on equipment left in place and reconnected for the same subscriber.

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**A114. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT** (T)(O)

**A114.4 ~~Reserved for Future Use~~ High Voltage Protection Equipment** (T)(O)

(Obsoleted 9-1-2005, Type 3) Units in service on the specified date may be continued in service at the same location (i.e., same building) until such units are discontinued. (N)

**A114.4.1 General** (T)(O)

- A. Company services extending to electric power generating and distributing locations may require special equipment to isolate or neutralize the environmental hazards experienced when ground potentials rise due to faults in the electric power system. The subscriber is responsible for conditioning the environment to eliminate hazardous voltages due to ground potential rises. (O)
- B. The Company shall determine the proper levels of protection to isolate or neutralize the electrical hazard and will provide, if necessary and at the request of the subscriber, the equipment to perform this function at the charges as specified following. (O)
- C. The subscriber may elect to furnish the equipment required to neutralize electrical hazards subject to the approval by the Company of the proper levels of protection and the equipment provided by the subscriber. (O)

**A114.4.2 Rates and Charges** (T)(O)

- A. The following charges are applicable for high voltage protection devices furnished by the Company and do not include equipment cabinets or mounting arrangements which may be provided by either the subscriber, or the Company at additional cost.<sup>1</sup> (T)(O)

1. Neutralizing protection suitable for exchange and private line services requiring direct current transmission. (O)

a. Up to 2,500 volt, steady voltage (O)

(1) Single units, each, (maximum of 5 per premises) (O)

	<u>Installation Charge</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>USOC</u>	
<u>(a) Interior or exterior mounted units<sup>2</sup></u>	<u>\$105.75</u>	<u>\$ 8.80</u>	<u>PJX</u>	(T)(O)
<u>(2) Multiple units, each, with a maximum capacity of:</u>				(O)
<u>(a) 11 channels</u>	<u>529.00</u>	<u>223.45</u>	<u>PJF</u>	(O)
<u>(b) 16 channels</u>	<u>529.00</u>	<u>237.40</u>	<u>PJE</u>	(O)
<u>(c) 25 channels</u>	<u>529.00</u>	<u>259.00</u>	<u>PJJ</u>	(O)
<u>(d) 100 channels</u>	<u>714.25</u>	<u>642.40</u>	<u>PJN</u>	(O)

b. Up to 4,000 volt, steady state voltage

(1) Single units, each, (maximum of 5 per premises)

<u>(a) Interior or exterior mounted units<sup>2</sup></u>	<u>105.75</u>	<u>8.80</u>	<u>PJX</u>	(T)
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c. Up to 4,500 volt, steady state voltage

(1) Multiple units each, with a maximum capacity of:

<u>(a) 11 channels</u>	<u>555.50</u>	<u>245.05</u>	<u>PK8</u>	
<u>(b) 16 channels</u>	<u>555.50</u>	<u>265.35</u>	<u>PK9</u>	
<u>(c) 25 channels</u>	<u>555.50</u>	<u>293.30</u>	<u>PKA</u>	
<u>(d) 50 channels</u>	<u>608.25</u>	<u>418.95</u>	<u>PKC</u>	
<u>(e) 100 channels</u>	<u>714.25</u>	<u>698.30</u>	<u>PKD</u>	

d. Up to 8,000 volt, steady state voltage

(1) Single units (maximum of 5 per premises)

<u>(a) Each</u>	<u>317.50</u>	<u>20.30</u>	<u>PV2</u>	
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Note 1: Installation charges specified for service or equipment will not be applicable on the following items of equipment left in place and reconnected for the same subscriber. (T)(O)

Note 2: Four-wire channels require two transformers per termination. (T)(O)

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**A114.4 High Voltage Protection Equipment (Cont'd)** (T)(O)

**A114.4.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)** (T)(O)

**A. (Cont'd)<sup>1</sup>** (T)(O)

1. (Cont'd) (T)(O)

e. Up to 9,000 volt, steady state voltage (O)

(1) Multiple units, each with a maximum capacity of: (O)

	<u>Installation</u>	<u>Monthly</u>		
	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>USOC</u>	
<u>(a) 6 channels</u>	<u>\$555.50</u>	<u>\$ 300.90</u>	<u>PKE</u>	(O)
<u>(b) 11 channels</u>	<u>555.50</u>	<u>314.85</u>	<u>PKF</u>	(O)
<u>(c) 16 channels</u>	<u>555.50</u>	<u>342.80</u>	<u>PKH</u>	(O)
<u>(d) 25 channels</u>	<u>597.75</u>	<u>376.65</u>	<u>PKN</u>	(O)
<u>(e) 50 channels</u>	<u>650.75</u>	<u>530.70</u>	<u>PKV</u>	(O)
<u>(f) 100 channels</u>	<u>740.50</u>	<u>823.95</u>	<u>PKW</u>	(O)
<u>2. Isolating Transformers suitable for private line services requiring alternating current transmission</u>				(O)
<u>(a) Per transformer provided<sup>2</sup></u>	<u>53.00</u>	<u>3.50</u>	<u>PKX</u>	(T)(O)
<u>3. Mutual drainage reactors, where provided at either the customer location, central office or intermediate location</u>				(O)
<u>(a) Each</u>	<u>26.50</u>	<u>3.15</u>	<u>PU8</u>	(O)
<u>4. The above charges do not include costs associated with the provision of channels for remote ground specified elsewhere in the Private Line Service tariff under "Channels for Telemetry Supervisory Control and Miscellaneous Signaling Purposes."</u>				(O)

Note 1: Installation charges specified for service or equipment will not be applicable on the following items of equipment left in place and reconnected for the same subscriber. (T)(O)

Note 2: Four-wire channels require two transformers per termination. (T)(O)

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### B2.3 Obligations of the Customer

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#### B2.3.1 Customer Responsibilities

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The customer shall be responsible for:

(M)

- A. Establishing his identity in the course of any communication as often as may be necessary; (M)
- B. Establishing the identity of the person or persons with whom connection is made at the called station; (M)
- C. Damage, loss or destruction of any of the Company's apparatus due to the negligence or willful act of the customer or authorized user and not due to ordinary wear and tear or to fire or other causes beyond the control of the customer, the customer shall be responsible for the cost of replacing the apparatus destroyed or for the cost of restoring the apparatus to its original condition; (M)
- D. The provision of power, space and supporting structures required to operate the Company services installed on the premises of the customer or authorized user. (M)
- E. The provision, installation and maintenance of sealed conduit with explosive-proof fittings between equipment in explosive atmospheres and points outside the hazardous area where connection may be made with regular facilities of the Company, and may be required to install and maintain equipment within the hazardous area if, in the opinion of the Company, injury or damage to Company employees or property might result from installation or maintenance by the Company;
- F. Obtaining permission for Company agents or employees to enter the premises of the customer or authorized user at any reasonable hour for the purpose of installing, inspecting, repairing or, upon termination of the service, removing the facilities of the Company; and
- G. Making Company facilities available periodically for maintenance purposes at a time agreeable to both the Company and the customer. No allowance will be made for the period during which the service is interrupted for such purposes.

H. Where new or additional service is to be established at a location that has a hazardous electrical environment (e.g., an electric power substation or generating plant or a high voltage transmission tower, switching or distribution location), the customer must have high voltage isolation equipment installed at such premises whenever hazardous voltages of 1000V peak-asymmetrical or greater exist prior to the installation of BellSouth ordered service. If the customer is aware that its premises are located where such hazardous voltages exist, the customer must notify BellSouth of this fact at the time its order for service is placed. BellSouth makes high voltage isolation equipment that complies with the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers ("IEEE") Standards 487 and 1590 available to its customer under Special Assembly to meet location specific requirements. (N)

The customer may elect to provide high voltage protection by means other than BellSouth Special Assembly and if customer so elects, the customer shall submit its proposed design and equipment specifications to BellSouth for BellSouth's approval prior to installation of BellSouth service ordered. Where the customer has elected to select, install, use and maintain its own high voltage protection equipment, the customer does so with the understanding that it is solely responsible for any interruption of BellSouth's service associated with its selection, installation, use or maintenance of the high voltage protection. Furthermore, the customer, its employees, agents, officers, directors, affiliates, successors and assigns agree to indemnify and hold BellSouth, its subsidiaries, affiliates and their collective employees, agents, officers, and directors harmless from all loss, liabilities, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees and all costs of defense and settlement, resulting from interruption of service, damage to property, claims, demands, suits or actions of any nature whatsoever arising from the failure of the high voltage protection selected, installed, used or maintained by the customer. (N)

BellSouth reserves the right to suspend any service it provides absent required high voltage protection until adequate protection is provided. (N)

Standard intervals do not apply for service ordered where voltage isolation equipment is required and must be installed prior to installation of service ordered from BellSouth. (N)

#### B2.3.2 Rearrangements and Repairs

A customer or authorized user may not rearrange, disconnect, remove or attempt to repair or permit others to rearrange, disconnect, remove or attempt to repair any apparatus or wiring installed by the Company, except upon the written consent of the Company.

#### B2.3.3 Transfer of Service

Service previously furnished one customer may be assumed by a new customer upon due notice of cancellation or in case of abandonment, provided there is no lapse in service. Transfer of service charges<sup>1</sup> are appropriate as set forth in Section A2. of the General Subscriber Service Tariff.

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### B2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances ~~(Cont'd)~~

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#### B2.4.1 Payment of Charges and Deposits ~~(Cont'd)~~

(D)(M)

A. The customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services furnished the customer in accordance with the Company's regular billing and collection practice.

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Payment for Federal Government customers will be in compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulations Clause 52.232-25 – Prompt Payment.

(M)

B. Applicants for service who have no account with the Company or whose financial responsibility is not a matter of general knowledge, may be required to make an advance payment at the time an application for service is placed with the Company, equal to the service connection or installation charges, if applicable, and at least one month's charges for the service provided. In addition, where the furnishing of service involves an unusual investment, applicants may be required to make payment in advance of such portion of the estimated cost of the installation or construction as is to be borne by them. The amount of the advance payment is credited to the customer's account as applying to any indebtedness of the customer for the service furnished.

C. The Company may, in order to safeguard its interests, require an applicant or customer to make such deposit as the Company deems suitable to be held by the Company as a guarantee of the payment of charges. The fact that a deposit has been made in no way relieves the applicant or customer from complying with the Company's regulations as to advance payments or the prompt payment of bills on presentation. At such time as the service is terminated the amount of the deposit is credited to the customer's account and any credit balance which may remain is refunded. At the option of the Company such a deposit may be refunded in all or part or credited to the customer at any time prior to the termination of the service. In case of a cash deposit, interest is paid at the rate of 6% per annum to begin and run from the date said deposit is made except that, no interest shall apply on a deposit unless the deposit and the service have been in existence for a continuous period of six months.

D. The Company reserves the right to increase the deposit requirement when in its judgment the conditions justify such action.

E. Effective April 1, 1996, a charge of \$20.00 or 5 percent of the face value of the check, whichever is greater, will apply whenever a check or draft presented for payment for service is not accepted by the institution on which it is written.<sup>1</sup> For a check or draft written prior to this date, a charge of \$15.00 will apply.

A Late Payment Charge of \$1.95 for residence subscribers and a Late Payment Charge of \$11.85 for business subscribers will be applied to each subscriber's bill when the previous month's bill (including amounts billed in accordance with the Company's Billing and Collections Services Tariff) has not been paid in full prior to the next billing date.

This Tariff shall apply to federal and state government pursuant to existing statutes applicable to those governmental entities. The Late Payment Charge for Federal Government customers will be in compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulations Clause 52.232-25 – Prompt Payment.

G. At the option of the customer, all nonrecurring charges associated with an order for service may be billed over a three month period subject to the following:

- 50% of the total nonrecurring charges will be billed in the first monthly billing period after the charges are incurred, and 25% of the total nonrecurring charges plus an Extended Billing Plan Charge will be billed in each of the following two monthly billing periods.
- The Extended Billing Plan Charge is calculated at a rate of 1.0% per month or 12% annually, on the unbilled balance of the nonrecurring charges.
- If the customer disconnects service before the expiration of the plan period, all unbilled charges plus the Extended Billing Plan charge, if applicable, will be included in the final bill rendered.
- If the customer fails to make any of the payments prior to the next billing date these late payment charges as specified in F. preceding will apply.

**Note 1:** Nonpayment of this charge will not constitute sufficient cause for interruption or cancellation of service.

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### A2.3 Establishment and Furnishing of Service (Cont'd)

#### A2.3.10 Provision and Ownership of Equipment and Facilities (Cont'd)

- B. Subscribers may not disconnect or remove or permit others to disconnect or remove any apparatus installed by the Company, except as expressly provided in this Tariff or upon the written consent of the Company.
- C. Equipment and facilities furnished by the Company shall, upon termination of service from any cause whatsoever, be returned to it in good condition, reasonable wear and tear thereof expected.

#### A2.3.11 Provision and Ownership of Directories

Telephone directories distributed from time to time by the Company remain the property of the Company, shall not be mutilated and shall be surrendered upon request. No binder, holder, insert or auxiliary cover or attachment of any kind not furnished by the Company shall be attached to the directories owned by the Company, except that this prohibition shall not apply to a subscriber-provided binder, holder, insert, or auxiliary cover which is not so attached as to impede reference to essential service information or otherwise interferes with service.

Each subscriber served by a directory shall be furnished one copy of that directory for each exchange access line. When requested by the subscriber, a reasonable number of additional directories may be provided and no charge will apply. Charges for foreign directories are specified in the BellSouth National Telephone Directory Price List.

#### A2.3.12 Provision and Ownership of Telephone Numbers

Telephone numbers are the property of the Company and are assigned to the service furnished the subscriber. The subscriber has no property right to the telephone number or any other call number designation associated with services furnished by the Company, and no right to the continuance of service through any particular central office. The Company reserves the right to change such numbers, or the central office designation associated with such numbers, or both, assigned to the subscriber, whenever the Company deems it necessary to do so in the conduct of its business.

#### A2.3.13 Maintenance and Repairs

All ordinary expense of maintenance and repairs, unless otherwise specified in this tariff, is borne by the Company. In case of damage, loss, theft, or destruction of any of the Company's property due to the negligence or willful act of the subscriber or other persons authorized to use the service, and not due to ordinary wear and tear or causes beyond the control of the subscriber, the subscriber shall be required to pay the expense incurred by the Company in connection with the replacement of the property damaged, lost, stolen, or destroyed, or the expense incurred in restoring it to its original condition.

#### A2.3.14 Company Facilities at Hazardous or Inaccessible Locations

Where *new or additional* service is to be established at a location that would involve undue hazards, or where accessibility is impracticable, to employees of the Company, the subscriber may be required to install and maintain the Company's equipment and facilities in a manner satisfactory to the Company, any remuneration to be based on the conditions involved. (T)

Where new or additional service is to be established at a location that has a hazardous electrical environment (e.g., an electric power substation or generating plant or a high voltage transmission tower, switching or distribution location), the customer must have high voltage isolation equipment installed at such premises whenever hazardous voltages of 1000V peak-asymmetrical or greater exist prior to the installation of BellSouth ordered service. If the customer is aware that its premises are located where such hazardous voltages exist, the customer must notify BellSouth of this fact at the time its order for service is placed. BellSouth makes high voltage isolation equipment that complies with the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers ("IEEE") Standards 487 and 1590 available to its customer under Special Assembly to meet location specific requirements. (N)

The customer may elect to provide high voltage protection by means other than BellSouth Special Assembly and if customer so elects, the customer shall submit its proposed design and equipment specifications to BellSouth for BellSouth's approval prior to installation of BellSouth service ordered. Where the customer has elected to select, install, use and maintain its own high voltage protection equipment, the customer does so with the understanding that it is solely responsible for any interruption of BellSouth's service associated with its selection, installation, use or maintenance of the high voltage protection. Furthermore, the customer, its employees, agents, officers, directors, affiliates, successors and assigns agree to indemnify and hold BellSouth, its subsidiaries, affiliates and their collective employees, agents, officers, and directors harmless from all loss, liabilities, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees and all costs of defense and settlement, resulting from interruption of service, damage to property, claims, demands, suits or actions of any nature whatsoever arising from the failure of the high voltage protection selected, installed, used or maintained by the customer. (N)

BellSouth reserves the right to suspend any service it provides absent required high voltage protection until adequate protection is provided. (N)

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### **A14.4 High Voltage Protection Equipment (Obsoleted, See Section A114)**

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### **A14.4 High Voltage Protection Equipment (Obsoleted, See Section A114) (Cont'd)**

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## **A14. AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT**

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### **A14.4 High Voltage Protection Equipment (Obsoleted, See Section A114) (Cont'd)**

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### **A14.5 Reserved For Future Use**

### **A14.6 Reserved For Future Use**

### **A14.7 Message Register Service**

#### **A14.7.1 General**

- A. Message register equipment is furnished subscribers for the purpose of providing readings of traffic volume on local exchange telephone service.

## A114. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT

### A114.1 Special Line Filter

(Obsoleted 6-06-80, Type 1)

#### A114.1.1 General

- A. This filter is intended for usage with certain telephone and telegraph equipment at classified locations of Federal Government Agencies.

#### A114.1.2 Rates

1. Line Filter

	<b>Installation Charge</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC SGV</b>
(a) Each <sup>1</sup>	\$35.25	\$8.45	

### A114.2 Reserved For Future Use

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**Note 1:** Installation charge will not be applicable on equipment left in place and reconnected for the same subscriber.

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**A114. OBSOLETE SERVICE OFFERINGS - AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT**

**A114.4 High Voltage Protection Equipment**

(T)(O)

(Obsolated 9-1-2005, Type 3) Units in service on the specified date may be continued in service at the same location (i.e., same building) until such units are discontinued. (N)

**A114.4.1 General**

(T)(O)

- A. Company services extending to electric power generating and distributing locations may require special equipment to isolate or neutralize the environmental hazards experienced when ground potentials rise due to faults in the electric power system. The subscriber is responsible for conditioning the environment to eliminate hazardous voltages due to ground potential rises. (O)
- B. The Company shall determine the proper levels of protection to isolate or neutralize the electrical hazard and will provide, if necessary and at the request of the subscriber, the equipment to perform this function at the charges as specified following. (O)
- C. The subscriber may elect to furnish the equipment required to neutralize electrical hazards subject to the approval by the Company of the proper levels of protection and the equipment provided by the subscriber. (O)

**A114.4.2 Rates and Charges**

(T)(O)

- A. The following charges are applicable for high voltage protection devices furnished by the Company and do not include equipment cabinets or mounting arrangements which may be provided by either the subscriber, or the Company at additional cost.<sup>1</sup> (T)(O)
  - 1. Neutralizing protection suitable for exchange and private line services requiring direct current transmission, (O)
    - a. Up to 2,500 volt, steady voltage (O)
      - (1) Single units, each, (maximum of 5 per premises) (O)

	<b>Installation Charge</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>	
(a) Interior or exterior mounted units <sup>2</sup>	<b>\$105.75</b>	<b>\$ 8.80</b>	<b>PJX</b>	(T)(O)
(2) Multiple units, each, with a maximum capacity of:				(O)
(a) 11 channels	<b>529.00</b>	<b>223.45</b>	<b>PJF</b>	(O)
(b) 16 channels	<b>529.00</b>	<b>237.40</b>	<b>PJE</b>	(O)
(c) 25 channels	<b>529.00</b>	<b>259.00</b>	<b>PJJ</b>	(O)
(d) 100 channels	<b>714.25</b>	<b>642.40</b>	<b>PJN</b>	(O)
b. Up to 4,000 volt, steady state voltage				
(1) Single units, each, (maximum of 5 per premises)				
(a) Interior or exterior mounted units <sup>2</sup>	<b>105.75</b>	<b>8.80</b>	<b>PJX</b>	(T)
c. Up to 4,500 volt, steady state voltage				
(1) Multiple units each, with a maximum capacity of:				
(a) 11 channels	<b>555.50</b>	<b>245.05</b>	<b>PK8</b>	
(b) 16 channels	<b>555.50</b>	<b>265.35</b>	<b>PK9</b>	
(c) 25 channels	<b>555.50</b>	<b>293.30</b>	<b>PKA</b>	
(d) 50 channels	<b>608.25</b>	<b>418.95</b>	<b>PKC</b>	
(e) 100 channels	<b>714.25</b>	<b>698.30</b>	<b>PKD</b>	
d. Up to 8,000 volt, steady state voltage				
(1) Single units (maximum of 5 per premises)				
(a) Each	<b>317.50</b>	<b>20.30</b>	<b>PV2</b>	

**Note 1:** Installation charges specified for service or equipment will not be applicable on the following items of equipment left in place and reconnected for the same subscriber. (T)(O)

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**A114.4 High Voltage Protection Equipment (Cont'd)** (T)(O)

**A114.4.2 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)** (T)(O)

**A. (Cont'd)<sup>1</sup>** (T)(O)

1. (Cont'd) (T)(O)

e. Up to 9,000 volt, steady state voltage (O)

(1) Multiple units, each with a maximum capacity of: (O)

	<b>Installation Charge</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>	<b>USOC</b>	
(a) 6 channels	<b>\$555.50</b>	<b>\$ 300.90</b>	<b>PKE</b>	(O)
(b) 11 channels	<b>555.50</b>	<b>314.85</b>	<b>PKF</b>	(O)
(c) 16 channels	<b>555.50</b>	<b>342.80</b>	<b>PKH</b>	(O)
(d) 25 channels	<b>597.75</b>	<b>376.65</b>	<b>PKN</b>	(O)
(e) 50 channels	<b>650.75</b>	<b>530.70</b>	<b>PKV</b>	(O)
(f) 100 channels	<b>740.50</b>	<b>823.95</b>	<b>PKW</b>	(O)
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(a) Per transformer provided <sup>2</sup>	<b>53.00</b>	<b>3.50</b>	<b>PKX</b>	(T)(O)
3. Mutual drainage reactors, where provided at either the customer location, central office or intermediate location				(O)
(a) Each	<b>26.50</b>	<b>3.15</b>	<b>PU8</b>	(O)
4. The above charges do not include costs associated with the provision of channels for remote ground specified elsewhere in the Private Line Service tariff under "Channels for Telemetry Supervisory Control and Miscellaneous Signaling Purposes."				(O)

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### B2.3 Obligations of the Customer

#### B2.3.1 Customer Responsibilities

The customer shall be responsible for:

- A. Establishing his identity in the course of any communication as often as may be necessary;
- B. Establishing the identity of the person or persons with whom connection is made at the called station;
- C. Damage, loss or destruction of any of the Company's apparatus due to the negligence or willful act of the customer or authorized user and not due to ordinary wear and tear or to fire or other causes beyond the control of the customer, the customer shall be responsible for the cost of replacing the apparatus destroyed or for the cost of restoring the apparatus to its original condition;
- D. The provision of power, space and supporting structures required to operate the Company services installed on the premises of the customer or authorized user.
- E. The provision, installation and maintenance of sealed conduit with explosive-proof fittings between equipment in explosive atmospheres and points outside the hazardous area where connection may be made with regular facilities of the Company, and may be required to install and maintain equipment within the hazardous area if, in the opinion of the Company, injury or damage to Company employees or property might result from installation or maintenance by the Company;
- F. Obtaining permission for Company agents or employees to enter the premises of the customer or authorized user at any reasonable hour for the purpose of installing, inspecting, repairing or, upon termination of the service, removing the facilities of the Company; and
- G. Making Company facilities available periodically for maintenance purposes at a time agreeable to both the Company and the customer. No allowance will be made for the period during which the service is interrupted for such purposes.
- H. Where new or additional service is to be established at a location that has a hazardous electrical environment (e.g., an electric power substation or generating plant or a high voltage transmission tower, switching or distribution location), the customer must have high voltage isolation equipment installed at such premises whenever hazardous voltages of 1000V peak-asymmetrical or greater exist prior to the installation of BellSouth ordered service. If the customer is aware that its premises are located where such hazardous voltages exist, the customer must notify BellSouth of this fact at the time its order for service is placed. BellSouth makes high voltage isolation equipment that complies with the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers ("IEEE") Standards 487 and 1590 available to its customer under Special Assembly to meet location specific requirements. (N)

The customer may elect to provide high voltage protection by means other than BellSouth Special Assembly and if customer so elects, the customer shall submit its proposed design and equipment specifications to BellSouth for BellSouth's approval prior to installation of BellSouth service ordered. Where the customer has elected to select, install, use and maintain its own high voltage protection equipment, the customer does so with the understanding that it is solely responsible for any interruption of BellSouth's service associated with its selection, installation, use or maintenance of the high voltage protection. Furthermore, the customer, its employees, agents, officers, directors, affiliates, successors and assigns agree to indemnify and hold BellSouth, its subsidiaries, affiliates and their collective employees, agents, officers, and directors harmless from all loss, liabilities, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees and all costs of defense and settlement, resulting from interruption of service, damage to property, claims, demands, suits or actions of any nature whatsoever arising from the failure of the high voltage protection selected, installed, used or maintained by the customer. (N)

BellSouth reserves the right to suspend any service it provides absent required high voltage protection until adequate protection is provided. (N)

Standard intervals do not apply for service ordered where voltage isolation equipment is required and must be installed prior to installation of service ordered from BellSouth. (N)

#### B2.3.2 Rearrangements and Repairs

A customer or authorized user may not rearrange, disconnect, remove or attempt to repair or permit others to rearrange, disconnect, remove or attempt to repair any apparatus or wiring installed by the Company, except upon the written consent of the Company.

#### B2.3.3 Transfer of Service

Service previously furnished one customer may be assumed by a new customer upon due notice of cancellation or in case of abandonment, provided there is no lapse in service. Transfer of service charges<sup>1</sup> are appropriate as set forth in Section A2. of the General Subscriber Service Tariff. (M)

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### B2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances

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#### B2.4.1 Payment of Charges and Deposits

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- A. The customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services furnished the customer in accordance with the Company's regular billing and collection practice. (M)  
Payment for Federal Government customers will be in compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulations Clause 52.232-25 – Prompt Payment. (M)
- B. Applicants for service who have no account with the Company or whose financial responsibility is not a matter of general knowledge, may be required to make an advance payment at the time an application for service is placed with the Company, equal to the service connection or installation charges, if applicable, and at least one month's charges for the service provided. In addition, where the furnishing of service involves an unusual investment, applicants may be required to make payment in advance of such portion of the estimated cost of the installation or construction as is to be borne by them. The amount of the advance payment is credited to the customer's account as applying to any indebtedness of the customer for the service furnished.
- C. The Company may, in order to safeguard its interests, require an applicant or customer to make such deposit as the Company deems suitable to be held by the Company as a guarantee of the payment of charges. The fact that a deposit has been made in no way relieves the applicant or customer from complying with the Company's regulations as to advance payments or the prompt payment of bills on presentation. At such time as the service is terminated the amount of the deposit is credited to the customer's account and any credit balance which may remain is refunded. At the option of the Company such a deposit may be refunded in all or part or credited to the customer at any time prior to the termination of the service. In case of a cash deposit, interest is paid at the rate of 6% per annum to begin and run from the date said deposit is made except that, no interest shall apply on a deposit unless the deposit and the service have been in existence for a continuous period of six months.
- D. The Company reserves the right to increase the deposit requirement when in its judgment the conditions justify such action.
- E. Effective April 1, 1996, a charge of \$20.00 or 5 percent of the face value of the check, whichever is greater, will apply whenever a check or draft presented for payment for service is not accepted by the institution on which it is written.<sup>1</sup> For a check or draft written prior to this date, a charge of \$15.00 will apply.  
A Late Payment Charge of \$1.95 for residence subscribers and a Late Payment Charge of \$11.85 for business subscribers will be applied to each subscriber's bill when the previous month's bill (including amounts billed in accordance with the Company's Billing and Collections Services Tariff) has not been paid in full prior to the next billing date.  
This Tariff shall apply to federal and state government pursuant to existing statutes applicable to those governmental entities. The Late Payment Charge for Federal Government customers will be in compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulations Clause 52.232-25 – Prompt Payment.
- G. At the option of the customer, all nonrecurring charges associated with an order for service may be billed over a three month period subject to the following:
- 50% of the total nonrecurring charges will be billed in the first monthly billing period after the charges are incurred, and 25% of the total nonrecurring charges plus an Extended Billing Plan Charge will be billed in each of the following two monthly billing periods.
  - The Extended Billing Plan Charge is calculated at a rate of 1.0% per month or 12% annually, on the unbilled balance of the nonrecurring charges.
  - If the customer disconnects service before the expiration of the plan period, all unbilled charges plus the Extended Billing Plan charge, if applicable, will be included in the final bill rendered.
  - If the customer fails to make any of the payments prior to the next billing date these late payment charges as specified in F. preceding will apply.

**Note 1:** Nonpayment of this charge will not constitute sufficient cause for interruption or cancellation of service.

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