REGULATIONS

2.5 <u>Payment Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)

2.5.2 Billing and Collection of Charges (Cont'd)

- D. Billing of the Customer by the Company will begin on the Service Commencement Date, which is the first day following the date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the service or facility is available for use, except that the Service Commencement Date may be postponed by mutual agreement of the parties, or if the service or facility does not conform to standards set forth in this tariff or the Service Order. Billing accrues through and includes the day that the service, circuit, arrangement or component is discontinued.
- E. A late payment charge of 1.5% per month or the highest interest rate which may be applied under Commonwealth law for commercial transactions will be assessed to any balance carried forward to the next month's bill. Payment sent to the Company by mail will be considered paid on the date of the postmark.
- F. The Customer will be assessed a charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), or the actual fee incurred by Company from a bank or financial institution, whichever is greater, for each check submitted by the Customer to the Company which a financial institution refuses to honor.
- G. If service is disconnected by the Company in accordance with Section 2.5.5 and later reinstalled, service will be subject to all applicable installation charges. If service is suspended by the Company and later restored, service will be subject to all applicable restoration charges.

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