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##### 1. General

In addition to the regulations set forth in the regulations section of this tariff, additional regulations are set forth throughout this section.

##### 2. Rate Regulations

The Usage Sensitive Local Connection (USLC) Service provides a two-way connection between an end user's location and the SWBT serving wire center for that end user location. USLC Service is used solely for the completion of switched traffic where the LSP provides the local dial tone and switching to the end user. USLC Service is provisioned as a 2-wire analog connection at 5dB or 8dB of loss. If an existing loop has a loss of less than 5 dB or 8 dB (for single lines), SWBT will not add any type of attenuation to match the maximum loss of 5 dB or 8 dB for the lines. SWBT will maintain the transmission loss of 5 dB or 8 dB loops in accordance with the Public Utility Commission of Texas' Substantive Rule 23.61 (e)(8)(B) & (C). In addition, a voice grade cross-connect, as found in Section 25 of the Intrastate Access Service Tariff, is required for each USLC Service connection.

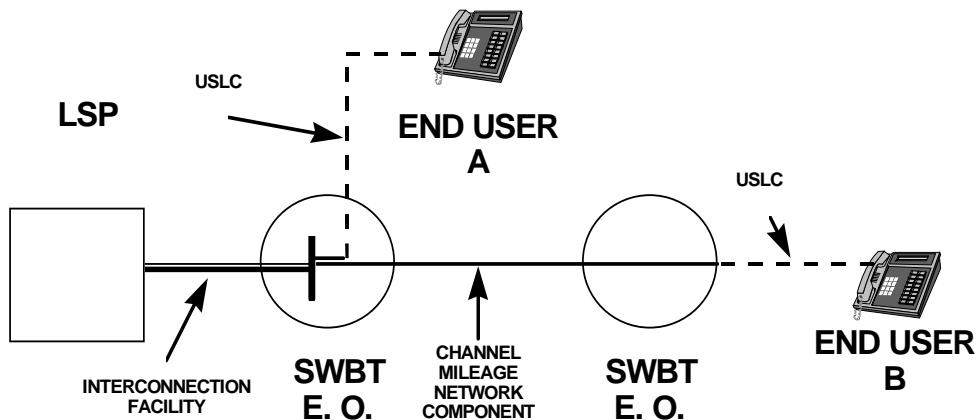
The connection from the LSP's POP to the USLC Service cross-connect in a SWBT central office may utilize facilities obtained through negotiated interconnection arrangements, conditional collocation arrangements or special access services provided from SWBT's Access Service Tariffs. When the LSP requests aggregation of USLC Service between SWBT end offices, these interoffice connections will be provisioned as channel mileage network components from Section 28 of the Intrastate Access Service Tariff.

The USLC Service is provided in accordance with the specifications, interfaces and parameters described in SWBT Technical Publication No. TP-76-836. SWBT does not guarantee that its USLC Service is compatible with any specific facilities or equipment or can be used for any particular purpose or service. LSPs ordering USLC Service are responsible for obtaining or providing facilities and equipment that are compatible with SWBT's USLC Service. Once the USLC Service is disconnected from an end user's location, the facility is again available to SWBT for future provisioning needs of other customers.

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2. **Rate Regulations** (Cont'd)

The following diagram depicts the rate application for two typical serving arrangements.



The LSP pays the minute of use monthly rate for all calls originating or terminating to each end user. If the LSP wishes to aggregate USLC Service from other SWBT end offices, additional charges for a channel mileage network component from Section 28 of the Intrastate Access Service Tariff would apply.

The facility which connects the LSP's POP to the SWBT serving wire center is depicted above as the LSP's negotiated interconnection facility. In addition to utilizing interconnection facilities, the LSP has the option of providing this connection via a conditional collocation arrangement or Special Access Service from the Intrastate Access Tariff.

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**2. Rate Regulations (Cont'd.)**

**2.1 Special Construction Charges**

Rates and charges for special construction are special quotations and will be based on estimated cost incurred by SGBT and may include (1) one-time service charges, (2) recurring type charges, (3) termination liabilities, (4) or combination thereof. Special construction rates are charged in addition to rates and charges for USLC Service in this tariff.

**2.2 Nonrecurring Charges**

A nonrecurring charge will be applicable for the installation of the USLC. There are nonrecurring charges for the first connection on a LSP order as well as separate nonrecurring charges for each additional connection associated with that same LSP order at the same end user's premises. Nonrecurring charges, as found in Sections 25 and 28 of the Intrastate Access Tariff will also apply for the installation of cross-connects, transport and multiplexing, when applicable.

**2.3 Change in Providers**

When converting the SGBT account to a LSP or between LSPs utilizing USLC Service, the conversion will be handled as a disconnect of the current account and a new connect of the USLC Service account. The rate for this change is the Nonrecurring Charge as found in Paragraph 3.3.

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**3. Rates and Charges**

**3.1 Usage Charges**

(Reserved for future use.)

**3.2 USLC Rate Elements**

Rates expressed on a monthly basis.

	<u>8 dB</u>	<u>5 dB</u>
Per each end user connection	\$15.00	\$17.00

Rates expressed on a monthly basis<sup>1</sup>.

	Individual Line <u>8 dB</u>	Multiline <u>8 dB</u>	Multiline <u>5 dB</u>
Per each end user connection	\$11.50	\$9.15	\$11.15

**3.3 Nonrecurring Charges**

The additional nonrecurring charge is for additional USLC Service at the same premises and on the same LSP order. The nonrecurring charges are as follows:

	<u>Nonrecurring Charges</u>
End User Connection (First)	\$60.00
End user Connection (Additional)	\$44.00

<sup>1</sup> These rates are applicable concurrent with the Federal Communications Commission's approval of applying End User Common Line Charges to the LSPs.

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**3.4 Assumed Minutes of Use**

(Reserved for future use.)

**3.5 End User Common Line (EUCL) Charge**

The EUCL charge, as found in Section 4 of Tariff FCC 73, will apply for each USLC. This charge will be billed monthly at either the single line or multi-line rate. All federal rules and regulations associated with EUCL charges, as found in Tariff FCC 73, also apply.

**3.6 Minimum Monthly Charge**

(Reserved for future use.)

**3.7 Maintenance of Service Charge**

The LSP will be responsible for payment of a Maintenance of Service Charge when SWBT dispatches personnel to the end user's premises and finds the trouble is in the equipment or communications systems located on the end user's side of the demarcation point. The Maintenance of Service Charge is found in the AT&T Texas Guidebook, Part 2, Section 9, paragraph B.2.

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