ACCESS SERVICE

2. **<u>GENERAL REGULATIONS</u>** (Continued)

- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Continued)
 - 2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Continued)
 - (B) (Continued)

Established or discontinued or provided during the preceding billing period. In addition, the Telephone Company shall bill in advance charges for all services to be provided during the ensuing billing period except for charges associated with service usage and for the Federal Government which will be billed in arrears.

The bill day (i.e., the billing date of a bill for a Customer for Access Service under this tariff), the period of service each bill covers and the payment date will be as follows:

- (1) The Telephone Company will establish a bill day each month for each Customer account or advise the customer in writing of an alternate billing schedule. Alternate billing schedules shall not be established on less than 60 days' notice or initiated by the Telephone Company more than twice in any consecutive 12 month period. The bill will cover non-usage sensitive service charges for the ensuing billing period for which the bill is rendered, any known unbilled non-usage sensitive charges for prior periods and unbilled usage charges for the period after the last bill day thru the current bill day. Any known unbilled usage charges for prior periods and any known unbilled adjustments will be applied to this bill. Payment for such bills is due as set forth in (2) following. If payment is not received by the payment date, as set forth in (2) following in immediately available funds, a late payment penalty will apply as set forth in (2) following.
- (2)(a) All bills dated as set forth in (1) preceding for service, provided to the Customer by the Telephone Company, are due 31 days (payment date) after the bill day or by the next bill date (i.e., same date in the following month as the bill date) whichever is the shortest interval, except as provided herein, and are payable in immediately available funds. If such payment date would cause payment to be due on a Saturday, Sunday or a Legal Holiday, payment for such bills will be due from the Customer as follows:

ISSUED BY:

Joel Dohmeier, Vice-President

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