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INTEREXCHANGE RESELLER TOLL TARIFF WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

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APPLICATION OF TARIFF

This tariff contains the regulations and charges applicable to intrastate interexchange telecommunications resellers services provided by North Penn Long Distance Corp. customers within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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CONCURRING, CONNECTING OR OTHER PARTICIPATING CARRIERS AND BILLING AGENTS

1.	Concurring Carriers	-	None
2.	Connecting Carriers	-	AT&T and/or other certificated interexchange carriers
3.	Other Participating Carriers	-	None
4.	Billing Agents	-	North Penn Long Distance Corp. and/or agent otherwise designated

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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

A. SYMBOLS

Rule or Rate	<u>Symbol</u>
Increase	(I)
Decrease	(D)
Change	(C)

B. ABBREVIATIONS

HITDR	-	Highest Interexchange Transporter Daytime Rate
HITC	-	Highest Interexchange Transporter Charge or Surcharge

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SECTION 1 - DEFINITION OF TERMS

<u>Access Code</u> - A sequence of numbers that, when dialed, connect the caller to the provider of services associated with that sequence.

<u>Authorization Code</u> - A numerical code, one or more of which may be assigned to a Customer, to enable the Company to identify the origin of the service user so that the Company may rate and bill the call. All Authorization Codes shall be the sole property of the Company and no Customer shall have any property or other right or interest in the use of any particular Authorization Code. Automatic Numbering Identification ("ANI") may be used as or in connection with the Authorization Code.

<u>Authorized User</u> - A person or entity which accesses the Company's services. An Authorized User is responsible for compliance with this tariff.

<u>Billed Party</u> - The person or entity responsible for payment for use of the Company's services. For a Direct Dialed Call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the Customer responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone used to originate the call. In the case of a calling card call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the holder of the calling card used. In the case of third party call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the person responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone service at the telephone for payment is the person responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone number that agrees to accept charges for the call.

Commission - Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Common Carrier - A company or entity providing telecommunications services to the public.

<u>Company</u> - North Penn Long Distance Corp.

<u>Customer</u> - The person, firm, corporation, or other entity which orders or uses service and is responsible for the payment of charges in compliance with tariff regulations.

<u>Customer-Provided Facilities</u> - All communications facilities provided by the Customer and/or Authorized User other than those provided by the Company.

<u>Direct Dialed Call</u> - A telephone call which is automatically completed and billed to the telephone number from which the call originated without the automatic or love assistance of an operator. This includes calls forwarded by call forwarding equipment.

<u>Other Common Carrier</u> - A common carrier, other than the Company, providing domestic or international communications service to the public.

<u>Personal Identification Numbers (PINs)</u> - Code numbers used in connection with designated telephone numbers which allow calls to be categorized for various applications.

<u>Points of Presence</u> - The sites where the Company provides a network interface with facilities provided by Other Common Carriers, Local Exchange Carriers or customers for access to the Company's network.

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<u>SECTION 1 - DEFINITION OF TERMS</u> (Cont'd)

<u>Points of Presence</u> - The sites where the Company provides a network interface with facilities provided by Other Common Carriers, Local Exchange Carriers or customers for access to the Company's network.

Services - Telecommunications services provided to a Customer or Authorized User by the Company.

<u>Telecommunications</u> - The transmission of voice communications or, subject to the transmission capabilities of the Service, the transmission of data, facsimile, signaling, metering or any other form of intelligence.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS

A. Description of Service

<u>Basic Service Offering</u>: The Company offers and provides interexchange long distance service to both business and residential customers through use of switched services. Service is available on a full time basis, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

B. Service Availability

- a) The Company offers service to all those who desire to purchase service from the Company consistent with the provisions of this tariff. Customers or subscribers interested in the Company's services shall file a service application with the Company which fully identifies the customer and identifies the services requested.
- b) Service is offered subject to the Company's ability to technically provide the service requested and subject to the availability of the necessary facilities and/or equipment.

C. Recurring Monthly Charges

- a) Customers may terminate calls at the rates specified in Section 4. All calls are billed in 60 second increments rounded up to the next higher full minute.
- b) The customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services furnished to the customer. Billing will be payable upon receipt. Interest at a rate not to exceed 1.25% per month on the full unpaid and overdue balance of the bill will be assessed by the Company or its billing agent(s) consistent with Commission regulations at 52 Pa. Code Chapter 64.
- c) Customer, subscriber or end user will be billed and is responsible for payment of applicable local, state and federal taxes assessed in conjunction with the services used.
- d) The Company reserves the right to examine the credit record of all service applicants and require a security deposit when determined to be necessary to assure future payment. Security Deposits required will be equal to not more than 2 months estimated usage as computed by the Company and will in all respects be consistent with Commission regulations at 52 Pa. Code §64.31-64.41.
- e) Customers shall be liable to the Company or all costs of collection.

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D. Billing Disputes

- a) Billing disputes shall be processed by the Company or its billing agent(s) consistent with Commission regulations at 52 Pa. Code Chapter 64.
- b) Customers unsatisfied with the Company's handling of a dispute may contact the Commission's Bureau of Consumer Services.

E. Cancellation or Termination of Service

- a) The Customer may cancel service upon notice to the Company.
- b) The Company may suspend service after seven (7) days written notice for nonpayment of undisputed charges or other violations of this tariff or provision of law. Service may be terminated when 10 days have passed since the suspension and the original grounds for suspension have not been remedied.

F. Liability and Interconnections

- a) The Company is not liable for any act or omission of any other entity furnishing a portion of the service or any acts or omissions of the customer.
- b) Service furnished by the Company may be interconnected with the services or facilities or other carriers or private systems. However, service furnished is provided solely by the Company and is not a joint undertaking with other parties.

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SECTION 4 – RATES

A. Returned Check Charge

Customers whose payment by check is returned for insufficient funds, or is otherwise not processed for payment, will be subject to a returned check charge. Such charge will be applicable on each occasion when a check is returned or not processed.

Rate

Per Occasion \$25.00

B. Direct Dialed Intrastate Message Telecommunications Service

Rates for Direct Dialed Intrastate Message Telecommunications Service for all points in the State of Pennsylvania are as follows:

Desidential	Rate	
Residential Monthly Recurring charge (Per-Line) Per Minute (Monday – Sunday, All Day)	\$1.99 \$0.08	(C)
Business Monthly Recurring charge (Per-Line) Per Minute (Monday – Sunday, All Day)	\$2.49 \$0.11	(C)

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<u>SECTION 4 – RATES</u> (Cont'd)

C. Dial-Around Compensation Surcharge for Payphones

- a) A Dial-Around Compensation Surcharge applies to all completed consumer intrastate long distance calls placed from a public/semi-public payphone which are not paid on a sent paid basis. The Surcharge applies to:
 - Calling card service Collect calls Third party billed Directory Assistance calls Pre-paid card service
- b) The Surcharge does not apply to:

Calls paid for by inserting coins Calls placed from stations other than public/semi-public payphones Calls placed to the Pennsylvania Telecommunications Relay Service for the hearing impaired Any calls for which the payphone provider is otherwise compensated pursuant to contract with the carrier.

- c) The Dial Around Compensation Surcharge rate per call is HITDR*.
- * Highest Interexchange Transporter Daytime Rate.

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