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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Darrell Nitschke
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Effective January 1, 2010, SRT Communications, Inc. ("SRT") will have a \$1.00 increase in the Business and Residential Service Line Charges. Enclosed are the pages of the SRT Local Exchange Tariff that have been revised. I have also indicated the specific changes below.

Section 2, Sheet 2 – D.1.

Residential Line Charge (Minot only) was \$10.95, will change to \$11.95
Residential Line Charge (other exchanges) was \$17.95, will change to \$18.95
Business Line Charge (all exchanges) was \$17.95, will change to \$18.95
Rotary Line, Business (all exchanges) was \$26.90, will change to \$27.90

Section 2, Sheet 4 – C.1.c.

All Outside Extension Line Charges were \$10.95, will change to \$11.95

Section 2, Sheet 9 – 7.

Lifeline Charge (Minot) was \$7.45, will change to \$8.45
Lifeline Charge (other exchanges) was \$14.45, will change to \$15.45

Section 2, Sheet 12 – 5.

Tribal Lifeline Credit was \$13.45, will change to \$14.45

Section 7, Sheet 18 – D.b.

BRI Basic Rate Interface Line Charge was \$58.00, will change to \$59.00

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Local Exchange Price Schedule Revisions

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Section 9, Sheet 2 – B.3-4.

CHNT1 – tariff rate correction only. Instead of \$14.45 this rate should read \$11.00.
T1OD - tariff rate correction only. Instead of \$14.45 this rate should read \$12.45.

Section 10, Sheet 5 – 4.a. and 4.b.

Centrex Line Charge (CXxx & CMxx) was \$9.85, will change to \$10.85

Section 10, Sheet 6 – C.c.

Additional Centrex Line Charge (CNxx) was \$9.85, will change to \$10.85

Section 12, Sheet 1 – C.1.

Lease Wire Service Charge was \$10.95, will change to \$11.95

Please give me a call at 701-858-5233 if you have any questions.

Thank you,



Julie Lizotte
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Enclosure

LOCAL SERVICE**B. Determination of Service Status, continued**

2. Hold Number Only Service is available to potential subscribers who request the Company to reserve a telephone number in the telephone directory that is not a working number and has no permanent location assignment. Following an indefinite period, service is connected to a location identified by the subscriber.

	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>
a. Residential – Hold Number Directory	\$3.00	HNDR
b. Business – Hold Number Directory	\$6.50	HNDB
c. No EAS charges will apply to this service.		
d. Normal service order charges may apply.		
e. Non-pub charges apply if applicable.		

3. All other business and residence service is considered standard and normal rates apply as applicable.

C. Application of Rates for Business and Residence Service:

- The applicable exchange rate applies to all subscribers of the Company.
- The rate only covers the provision of network access to a local customer location.
- The rates quoted in this tariff for local exchange service entitle the subscriber to local calls (without toll charge) to all local stations.
- Low-income subscribers may qualify for Lifeline discounts under this Tariff Section.

D. Rates for Business and Residence Service Line Charge

1. Service Classification Monthly Charge for Local Exchange Telephone Service

	<u>Rate</u>
Residence – Minot Exchange Only	\$11.95
All Other Exchanges*	\$18.95
*Antler, Berthold, Butte, Carpio, Deering, Des Lacs, Donnybrook, Glenburn, Karlsruhe, Landa, Lansford, Martin, Maxbass, Metigoshe, Minot Air Force Base, Mohall, Newburg, Sawyer, Sherwood, South Prairie, Tolley, Towner, Upham, Velva, Westhope	
Business – All Exchanges	\$18.95
Rotary Line (Business) – All Exchanges	\$27.90
Centrex – See Section 10	

2. Rotary Line Volume Discounts will be based on the number of Rotary Lines (aka Trunk Hunting). Discounts will apply to the Individual Line Rate only.

<u>Number of Rotary Lines</u>	<u>% Discount</u>
5-9 Trunks	10%
10-24 Trunks	15%
25-49 Trunks	20%
50-69 Trunks	30%
70+ Trunks	40%

**LOCAL SERVICE
EXTENSIONS**

B. Regulations (continued)

6. If a customer requests an extension to a detached garage, (contiguous property), the Company encourages the customer to purchase cable and perform the labor to install their own cable. In this situation, the cable is customer owned and maintained.
7. If a customer has established phone service at two different locations with two different telephone numbers, and requests that one of their numbers also work at the other location, they will be charged mileage for the outside extension. Mileage is calculated based on actual cable route miles and is rounded up to the nearest quarter mile increment.

C. Rates

1. For exchange service located outside of the building in which the main terminal equipment is located, the following mileage charges apply. Mileage charges are computed separately for each service extension and are based on actual cable length measurements from the main terminal equipment to the building in which the service extension is to be located.

	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>
a. Extension of a line 50 feet or less from building: (no longer available to new customers as of 01/01/2009)	\$0.50	MIMN
b. Extension Bridged in the Field		
1 ST Quarter	\$2.00	MI1QX
Ea Add'l Quarter	\$1.30	MIQPX
(no longer available to new customers as of 01/01/2009)		
c. Outside Extension		
Residential (00001)	\$11.95	000G1
Single Line Business (00SB1)	\$11.95	00SG1
Multiline Business (00010)	\$11.95	00G10
Rotary Line Business (00020)	\$11.95	00G20
Centrex (00060)	\$11.95	00G60

2. Where underground or pole line construction is required or attachments are placed on buildings in connection with the installation of outside stations, an additional charge will be made to cover any excessive cost involved.
3. The subscriber shall furnish the necessary conduit and molding and shall bear the expense of any drilling of concrete or solid masonry walls.

**LOCAL SERVICE
LIFELINE AND LINK UP SERVICE**

C. Lifeline Service

1. Lifeline service means qualifying low income subscribers pay reduced charges for retail residential local telecommunications service.
2. Lifeline service includes voice grade access to the public switched network, local usage, dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone) or its functional equivalent, single-party service, access to emergency services, access to operator services, access to interexchange service, access to directory assistance, primary published directory listing, and toll limitation (toll blocking).
3. The applicable exchange residential rate (including the federal end user common line charge) shall be reduced by \$10.00 per month for all exchanges for residential local telecommunications service to qualified low income subscribers.
4. Toll limitation shall be offered at no charge to a qualifying low income subscriber.
5. A service deposit shall not be collected in order to initiate Lifeline service if the qualifying low income subscriber voluntarily elects toll blocking.
6. The Company will not disconnect residential Lifeline service for non-payment of toll (long distance) charges.
7. The reduced Lifeline charge for retail residential local telecommunications service to qualifying low income subscribers is:

	<u>Minot Exchange</u>	<u>All Other Exchanges*</u>
Local exchange and extended area service	\$11.95	\$18.95
Federal end user common line charge	<u>\$ 6.50</u>	<u>\$ 6.50</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$18.45	\$25.45
Less Lifeline discount	- <u>\$10.00</u>	- <u>\$10.00</u>
Lifeline charge (including toll blocking at no additional charge if elected)	\$ 8.45	\$15.45

*Antler, Berthold, Butte, Carpio, Deering, DesLacs, Donnybrook, Glenburn, Karlsruhe, Landa, Lansford, Martin, Maxbass, Metigoshe, Minot Air Force Base, Mohall, Newburg, Sawyer, Sherwood, South Prairie, Tolley, Towner, Upham, Velva, Westhope

**LOCAL SERVICE
LIFELINE AND LINK UP SERVICE/TRIBAL LANDS**

B Lifeline for Eligible Residents of Tribal Lands, continued

4.	Enhanced Lifeline Credit Amounts	
	<u>Exchange with Tribal Land</u>	<u>Additional Lifeline Credits</u>
	All Exchanges except Minot	\$14.45

5. For customers of the Company who qualify for both regular Lifeline and Enhanced Lifeline, application of Lifeline credits for all exchanges except Minot shall be as follows:

Local exchange and extended area service	\$ 18.95
Federal end user common line charge	<u>\$ 6.50</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$ 25.45
Less regular lifeline discount	<u>\$ -10.00</u>
Regular lifeline service charge	\$ 15.45
Less enhanced lifeline credit	<u>\$ -14.45</u>
Enhanced lifeline service charge (including toll blocking at no additional charge if elected)	\$ 1.00

**DIGITAL DATA SERVICES
INTEGRATED SERVICES DIGITAL NETWORK – ISDN**

D. Rates and Charges – Basic Rate Interface (BRI) (continued)

	<u>Nonrecurring Charge</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>
b. Basic Rate Interface			
(1) Month-to-Month Flat Rate, Unlimited Usage	\$110.00	\$ 59.00	01202

E. Rates and Charges – Primary Rate Interface (PRI)

1. Description

The basic Primary Rate Interface (PRI) structure consists of 23 B-channels and a D-channel, for a total transmission rate of 1.544 Mbit/s, which is equivalent to a T1/DS1 facility and is defined as 23 B+D. The B-channel is a 64 kbit/s channel used for information such as voice calls, circuit switched data, or video. The D-channel is a 64 kbit/s channel that is used to carry the control or signaling information. The subscriber may use CPE to bond together 64 kbit/s B-channels for the transmission of circuit switched data or video.

2. Terms and Conditions of Primary Rate Interface (PRI)

- a. PRI is provided subject to the availability of central office facilities.
- b. Each PRI consists of one T1/DS1 facility and one service configuration. A subscriber may request more than one PRI per premises.
- c. The PRI facility may be provided from a foreign central office or foreign exchange at the DS1 transport mileage rates. Associated charges will be applied to the PRI facility.
- d. PRI offerings are not available for use by commercial mobile radio carriers, private mobile radio carriers and interexchange carriers in the provision of services to their subscribers. Other digital services are offered by the Company for interconnection specifically for these carriers.
- e. The PRI facility for all channels may be provisioned on an existing or new T1/DS1 facility.
- f. PRI subscribers must subscribe to a minimum of one 23 B+D service configuration. See E. 3a of this section.
- g. DID numbers associated with PRI and a trunk connections is required for each inward of 2-way DID b-channel in a PRI and are not included with charges below.
- h. Circuit Switched Data PRI is only intended for data calls, including video.
- i. Subscribers requiring ISDN features not offered on a month-to-month schedule will be considered on an individual case basis. The contract period offered will be negotiable between the Company and the subscriber.

CENTREX SERVICE**C. Rates (continued)**

		<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>
1.	System Software Program		
	a. Enhanced Business Service Package (EBSP) per system over Ten (10) lines EBSP provides console/system features – per system	\$34.95	CExx
	b. Small Business Centrex Package (SBCP) Ten (10) lines or less – per system)	\$18.95	SBCP
2.	Virtual Facility Group – subscriber option to purchase number of transmission paths desired based upon actual usage. A minimum of one (1) trunk is required per subscriber	\$12.75	VFxx
3.	Trunk Rate – provided on a trunk equivalency basis or as an optional service at additional costs provided on a virtual software group basis per trunk (i.e., paging access, music on hold, DISA, and system routing)	\$20.07	CTxx
4.	Centrex Line Charge – one (1) is required for every identifiable Centrex number.		
	a. Centrex Line Charge/per line	\$10.85	CXxx
	b. Miscellaneous Centrex Line Charge/per line Analog extension with cable pair	\$10.85	CMxx

CENTREX SERVICE
C. Rates, continued

	Monthly Rate	Billing Code
c. Additional centrex number without cable pair on a digital set	\$10.85	CNxx

Centrex Line Charge volume discounts will be based on the number of Centrex lines. Discounts will apply to the Centrex Line Charge line and EAS Adder rate.

	<u>% Discount</u>
50-99 Lines	10%
100-249 Lines	15%
250-499 Lines	20%
500-699 Lines	30%
700-1199 Lines	40%
1200 or More	50%

D. Centrex Packages/Rates

1. Basic Package – provides the following services per line: Direct Inward Dial Direct Outward Dial Three Way Transfer Toll Restriction	\$1.10	CBxx
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Basic package discounts will be based on the number of Centrex lines:

	<u>% Discount</u>
50-99 Lines	10%
100-249 Lines	15%
250-499 Lines	20%
500-699 Lines	30%
700-1199 Lines	40%
1200 or More	50%

**LEASED LINE SERVICE
LEASED WIRE SERVICE**

A. General

Leased Wire Service is provided within serving wire centers where cable capacity is available for the use of the subscriber for such purposes as broadcast remote lines, program transmission and control circuits. Leased Wire Service is not provided between serving wire centers.

B. Regulations

1. The Company will maintain its circuits in good condition but does not guarantee uninterrupted working of its lines or equipment. In case service is interrupted otherwise than by the negligence or willful act of the subscriber, an adjustment will be made in the monthly charges for Leased Wire Service if the interruption continues beyond 24 hours after first noted by the Company. The Company will not be liable for any damages arising out of mistakes, omissions, delays, errors of defects in transmission due to interruptions or imperfections in Leased Wire Service.
2. The operating voltage, current and frequency characteristics of any facilities or equipment connected to the leased circuits of the Company shall be such as not to interfere with any service offered by the Company over other telephone lines. Upon notice from the Company that the equipment of the subscriber is causing or is likely to cause hazard or interference, the subscriber shall make such changes as may be necessary to remove or prevent such hazard or interference.
3. Leased Wire Service is not intended for data service but may use line conditioning equipment (SPAS).

C. Rates

		<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Billing Code</u>
1.	Charge for Leased Wire Service Per Channel	\$11.95	LWBR
2.	Installation Charge		
	Service Order Charge	\$20.00	
	Central Office Charge		
	- 2 Wire Circuit	\$24.00	
	- 4 Wire Circuit	\$48.00	