

Miscellaneous Digital Switched Service Offerings (DSS)

1. GENERAL

For business customers in competitive areas.

2. DESCRIPTION

Miscellaneous Digital Switched Service Offerings (DSS) provide digital exchange service. DSS includes a DSS facility, common equipment, local exchange switching and flat rate trunks for access to the local exchange and toll networks. Each DSS facility utilizes 24 channels. The Basic DSS service is provided on a Digital Service Level 1 (DS1) that is multiplexed into 24 channels in the configurations as follows: In-only, Out-only and 2-way dialing. The DSS service can also be configured using 23 Bearer Channels and a Delta Channel (23B+D) which is used for signaling. The 23B + D configurations would be provided using an ISDN Primary Rate Service (ISDN PRI).

A. Definitions and Application of Services

DSS Facility and Common Equipment

This element includes the digital DSS facility, transmitting at a rate of 1.544 Mbps, and the common equipment necessary to interface each of the 24 channels into the central office switch.

Basic Trunks

In-Only Trunk

One-way trunk which only allows traffic from the central office switch to be transmitted to the customer premise. Includes Direct Inward Dialing (DID) feature.

Out-Only Trunk

One-way trunk which only allows traffic originating at the customer premise transmitted to the central office switch. Includes Direct Outward Dialing (DOD) feature.

Two-Way Trunk

Trunk which allows for traffic to be transmitted from either the central office or the customer premise.

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B. Terms and Conditions

1. DSS is provided subject to the availability of Company facilities.
2. The Company will determine the type of facilities used to provide the requested services.
3. Business EAS rates apply as specified in elsewhere in this tariff.
4. Customers are required to provide muxing/demuxing at the customer premises, for channels riding the DSS service.
5. The customer or the customer's authorized agent will be responsible for the procurement of associated customer premises equipment (CPE) and will ensure compatibility with the DSS service.
6. The customer is responsible for the channel assignments transported on the DSS facility.
7. The customer is responsible for placement, installation, operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of all inside wire, not owned by the Company, and CPE must be compatible with Company's provision of DSS.
8. Because of CPE selected by the customer or the customer's agent, some of the features offered may function differently or may not be available.
9. Refer to Line Extension upgrades where facilities are not available, or unusual expenditures are involved in making them available.
10. Early termination of contract will result in a penalty equal to the difference between the discounted rate and the monthly rate for the service period, plus one month of the monthly rate (Monthly Rate – Discounted Rate x months of service + Monthly Rate x 1 Month).

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C. Rates and Charges

1. DSS will be provided at the following rates and charges.

	MONTHLY RATE	NONRECURRING CHARGE
DSS Facility Trunk		
• Basic trunk with flat usage, each		
- Monthly plan	660.00	1,900.00
- 3 year plan	610.00	1,100.00
- 5 year plan	550.00	600.00
• ISDN PRI trunk with flat usage, each		
- Monthly plan	660.00	2,100.00
- 3 year plan	610.00	1,300.00
- 5 year plan	550.00	800.00
Caller ID	\$6.00 per line or \$69.00 per ISDN PRI arrangement	
Hunting Feature	\$3.00 per line or \$35.00 per DSS arrangement	

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