**Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC** SECTION 2 ACCESS SERVICE TARIFF Page 74 UTAH Release 12 Issued: 6-6-2025<del>3/23/2001</del> Effective: 6-15-20254/23/2001 A.L. 2025-T01A.L. 2001-09 2. GENERAL REGULATIONS 2.7 SHARED USE REGULATIONS 1 (C) Shared Use occurs when the Company allows a customer to utilize the same transport facility for different services. Shared use of Switched Access facilities (C) (i.e., Private Line Access Services provided over Switched Access facilities) is not allowed. (C) When the same transport facility and the associated options are utilized to provide more than one service, the Company shall apportion the monthly billing of the appropriate transport elements between the shared services. The rate elements subject to the Shared Use allocation process are the recurring elements assessed for transport facilities only between a customer's premises and the SWC of that premises and the interoffice facilities from the customer's SWC to other wire centers which may include access tandems, end offices, and hubbing locations. All Shared Use arrangements will be rated as Private Line, (C)irrespective of the type of service carried on individual channels. (C) elements not associated with transport facilities are not allocated. nonrecurring installation charges for each service are not apportioned and are assessed except as set forth in this section. The Shared Use transport facility is ordered and provided as Private Line Transport Service (PLTS) unless otherwise described in this section. The specific Shared (C) Use regulations and/or exceptions are described following: DS1 and DS3 PLTS with Switched Access Service is described in 2.7.1, • EICT with PLTS and Switched Access is described in 2.7.2, and • Switched Access Service with Common Channel Signaling Access Capability Service (CCSAC) is described in 2.7.3, following. 2.7.1 DS1 AND DS3 PLTS WITH SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE When DS1 and DS3 PLTS (including a facility to a Hub) is shared between PLTS and Switched Access Service (including CCSAC), the service is ordered, provided and rated as PLTS until the customer chooses to place an order for Switched Access Service. When the customer chooses to use a portion of the available capacity on existing PLTS for providing Switched Access Service, all  $(\mathbf{C})$ Shared Use arrangements will be rated as Private Line, irrespective of the type of service carried on individual channels. (C) , the customer shall place an order for each individual Switched Access Service and specify the channel assignment for the Shared Use facility. [1] Effective June 15, 2025, CenturyLink will no longer provide adjusted rates for (N) Shared Use arrangements. Shared Use, also called Ratcheting, occurs when Private Line/Business Data Services (BDS) and Switched Access are provided over the same DS1, DS3, or SST transport facility. Effective June 15, 2025, all Shared Use arrangements will be rated as Private Line, irrespective of the type

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2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

2.7 SHARED USE REGULATIONS [1]

2.7.1 DS1 AND DS3 PLTS WITH SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE (Cont'd)

When the PLTS transport facilities are shared with Switched Access Service, the transport recurring PLTS rate elements (e.g., Channel Termination, Transport Channel and multiplexing) as well as the Switched Access Service transport recurring rate elements (e.g., Entrance Facility, Direct-Trunked Transport Facility and/or Direct Link Transport and associated multiplexing), are apportioned based on the total number of channels utilized for each service. The Switched Access rate for DS3 EF Electrical capacity of two or greater or any Optical Interface rate as set forth in Section 6, following, is for the billing of Shared Use only.

The recurring rate elements associated with multiplexing equipment are apportioned based on the number of channels utilized for each service when both Switched and PLTS multiplexing rate elements are chargeable.

When CCSAC Service is ordered on a Shared Use facility, the customer must dedicate, at a minimum, one DS1 facility for that service.

When PLTS facilities are provided from the SWC of the customer's premises to a Company hub and those facilities are shared with Switched Access Service, the appropriate PLTS transport channel mileage rates and the Switched DTT or DLT rates are apportioned. Switched DTT facilities must be provisioned from the Company hub to an access tandem or end office based on whether the customer requests tandem routing or direct routing.

PLTS and Switched Access Service rates elements not associated with transport facilities are not allocated. Following on the next page, is an example of Shared Use allocation.

Appropriate nonrecurring installation charges are assessed on a per-line, per-trunk or per-link basis for Switched Access Service.

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#### 2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

## 2.7 SHARED USE REGULATIONS

# 2.7.1 DS1 AND DS3 PLTS WITH SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE (Cont'd)

Example of Shared Use

- Customer has DS3 PLTS comprised of a DS3 Channel Termination and a DS3/DS1 Multiplexer in the SWC of the customer's premises.
- Customer orders 24 Feature Group D trunks to ride a DS1 DTT facility to an end office and specifies that the DS1 DTT facility be assigned to the DS3 PLTS facility for the associated Switched Access Entrance Facility.
- Shared use of Switched Access facilities (i.e., Private Line Access
   Services provided over Switched Access facilities) is not allowed.

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- Switched Access Service Rates and Charges

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- 24/672 of the Switched DS3 Entrance Facility rate
- 100% Switched DS1 DTT facility rate
- <u>24/672 of the Switched DS3/DS1 Multiplexer rate</u>
- PLTS Rates and Charges
- 648/672 of the PLTS DS3 Channel Termination
- —648/672 of the PLTS DS3/DS1 Multiplexer

In the above example, if the PLTS DS3 Service has Transport Channel mileage in addition to the Channel Termination, the Switched DS1 DTT facility rate and the PLTS Transport Channel rate are also apportioned.

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### 2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

# 2.7 SHARED USE REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

## 2.7.2 EXPANDED INTERCONNECTION-COLLOCATION CHANNEL TERMINATION

When a customer with a Private Line Expanded Interconnection-Collocation Channel Termination (EICT) provides Shared Use, <u>all Shared Use arrangements will be rated as Private Line, irrespective of the type of service carried on individual channels.</u>

the apportioned factor (between Switched Access Service and PLTS) applied to the EICT rate element will be the same apportioned factor as determined for the PLTS facility as described in 2.7.1, preceding.

### 2.7.3 SWITCHED DS3 FACILITY WITH CCSAC SERVICE

Shared Use may occur when Switched Access Service, as set forth in Section 6, following, and CCSAC Service, as set forth in Section 15, following, are provided over the same DS3 facility. The DS3 facility must be ordered, provided and rated from Section 6 until the customer chooses to use a portion of the facility for CCSAC Service.

When the customer chooses to use a portion of the available capacity (i.e., DS1) of a DS3 facility for providing CCSAC, the customer shall place an order for each individual CCSAC Service from Section 15, following, and specify the channel assignment for the Shared Use facility. The customer must dedicate, at a minimum, one DS1 facility for the CCS Links. Since a minimum of one DS1 is utilized for CCS Links, the number of channels apportioned for CCSAC will be in multiples of 24 channels. All rates and charges will be apportioned as set forth in 2.7.1, preceding.

Where PLTS or Switched Access Service is provided and a portion of the facility is utilized for Shared Use to a Hub, rates and charges are apportioned for the facility to the Hub as set forth in 2.7.1, preceding, and individual service rates and charges for CCSAC apply from the Hub to the Company STP as set forth in Section 15, following.

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#### 5. ORDERING OPTIONS FOR ACCESS SERVICE

# 5.2 ACCESS ORDER (Cont'd)

# 5.2.4 SELECTION OF FACILITIES FOR ACCESS ORDERS [1]

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When a customer places an order for Lineside or Trunkside Switched Access Service, the customer may choose to utilize existing Entrance Facilities and/or Direct-Trunked Transport facilities ordered from Section 6, following, or Private Line Transport Service (PLTS) facilities. Shared Use is allowed when Shared Use facilities are ordered and provided as set forth in 2.7, preceding. The customer is not allowed to order Switched Access facilities from Section 6 and assign PLTS to those facilities. The customer must specify the specific channels to be used to implement the Access Order.

#### 5.2.5 MINIMUM PERIOD

- A. Except as set forth in B., following, the minimum period for which Access Service is provided and for which charges are applicable, is one month.
- B. The minimum period for Switched Access Service Feature Group D, 800 DB Access Service, 900 Access Service, DS3 and DS1 Entrance Facilities and DS3 and DS1 DTT facilities associated with such services, is three months.
- C. Service Rearrangements as set forth in 6.7.1, following, for Switched Access Service, may be made without a change in minimum period requirements.

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#### 5. ORDERING OPTIONS FOR ACCESS SERVICE

# 5.2 ACCESS ORDER (Cont'd)

## 5.2.6 MINIMUM PERIOD CHARGES

When Access Service is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, charges are applicable for the balance of the minimum period.

The Minimum Period Charge for monthly billed services will be determined as follows:

- A. For Switched Access Service, the charge for a month or fraction thereof is equal to the applicable minimum monthly charge for the capacity as set forth in 6.7.3, following.
- B. The Minimum Period Charge for Feature Group D Switched Access Service and associated Entrance Facility and DTT facility will be determined as set forth in 2.4.2, preceding.
- C. For EI Service, the charge for a month or fraction thereof is the applicable monthly rates for the service as set forth in Section 21, following.
- D. All applicable nonrecurring charges for the service will be billed in addition to the Minimum Period Charge.

## 5.2.7 SHARED USE FACILITIES [1]

When a customer orders Switched Access Service on a PLTS Shared Use facility as set forth in 2.7, preceding, the customer must specify on its order a channel facility assignment for each service ordered.

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### 6. SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE

# 6.1 GENERAL

## **6.1.2** RATE CATEGORIES

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Based upon the Interface Group chosen by the customer, EF and DTT multiplexing arrangements may be required. Multiplexing arrangements are described in 4., following.

When Switched Access Services are ordered in conjunction with Private Line Transport DS3 Service which is provisioned with an electrical capacity of two or greater or any optical interface, the common interface will be provisioned under the rules and regulations for Shared Use between Private Line Transport and Switched Access Services referenced in 2.7, preceding. The rate for DS3 EF electrical capacity of two or greater or any optical interface is for the billing of shared use only. All Shared Use arrangements will be rated as Private Line, irrespective of the type of service carried on individual channels. Technical Switched Access Services rates and charges as set forth in 6.8, following, will apply for each channel of the Shared Use facility that is used to provide Switched Access Service. Technical specifications are delineated in Qwest Corporation Technical Reference 77324.

When Interface Groups 1, 2, 6 or 9 are associated with FGD Service with SS7 Out of Band Signaling, no signaling will be done via the message channel.

When SWITCHNET 56 Service is ordered in conjunction with FGD, it requires the use of a separate trunk group equipped with Interface Group 6. This service allows a customer to establish a connection between the customer's premises and a suitably equipped end user's premises over facilities capable of transmitting digital data up to 56 kbps.

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