

DIGITAL DATA SERVICE — 56 Kbps

A. Digital Data Service — 56 Kbps Service

1. Basic Channel Description

Digital Data Service provides for the duplex four-wire transmission of digital signals at the synchronous speed of 56 kilobits per second (kbps) between and within Digital Serving Areas.

The service is furnished for duplex operation on a twenty-four hour per day, seven-day per week basis, for a minimum period of one month. The service will provide a standard interface to the Customer's interface.

Customer-provided terminal equipment, Customer-provided derivation equipment and Customer-provided communications systems may be connected with facilities furnished for Digital Data Service.

a. Digital Serving Areas

Digital Data Service is available only to locations served from specially equipped Telephone Company hubs, which serve locations between and within Digital Serving Areas.

Digital Data channels are only available via Telephone Company designated hubs and are provided between Customer Rate Demarcation Points (RDP's) or between a Customer Rate Demarcation Point (RDP) and a Telephone Company hub.

b. Determination of Mileage

The interoffice mileage of channels furnished within a Digital Serving Area is based on the airline distances between the wire centers serving each Customer location.

The interoffice mileage for channels furnished between Digital Serving Areas is based on the airline distances between the wire centers associated with the Customer's local serving wire center in each Digital Serving Area.

c. Service Components

The components of Digital Data Service offered for transmission between and within Digital Serving Areas are set forth below.

Local Digital Channel (connecting the Customer's premises to the Customer's local serving wire center).

Transmission function (one applicable per termination).

Interoffice mileage, as appropriate, of channels connecting the Customer's local serving wire centers.

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1. Basic Channel Description (Cont'd)

c. Service Components (Cont'd)

Multi-Station Arrangement required when providing Digital Data Service between three or more digital stations.

Channel Service Unit type equipment is required at all times at each station on the Customer's side of the Rate Demarcation Point (RDP) to perform such functions as proper termination of the service, amplification, signal shaping and remote loopback testing.

Channel Service Unit type equipment or other Network Channel Terminating Equipment associated with the Digital Data Channel on the Customer's side of the Rate Demarcation Point (RDP) must be provided by the Customer.

2. Digital Data 56 Kbps Service Rates and Charges

a. Local Channel

— <u>Per Termination</u>	<u>Rate</u>
	\$50.00

b. Transmission Function

	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Nonrecurring Charge</u>	
		<u>Initial</u>	<u>Additional</u>
— <u>Per Termination</u>	\$137.50	\$600.00	\$354.25

c. Channel Mileage

<u>Mileage Bands</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	
	<u>Fixed</u>	<u>Per Mile</u>
Over 0 to 1 mile	\$25.00	—
Over 1 to 3 miles	\$25.00	\$ 2.00
Over 3 to 5 miles	\$25.00	\$ 2.00
Over 5 to 15 miles	\$25.00	\$ 2.00
Over 15 to 25 miles	\$25.00	\$ 2.00
Over 25 miles	\$25.00	\$ 2.00

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d. <u>Volume Term Pricing Plans</u>	Monthly 2-Year <u>Rate</u>	Monthly 3-Year <u>Rate</u>	Monthly 5-Year <u>Rate</u>
Digital Data 56 Kbps Local Channel	\$ 49.00	\$ 47.50	\$ 45.00
Transmission Function	\$134.75	\$130.63	\$123.75
Channel Mileage — Fixed	\$ 24.50	\$ 22.50	\$ 20.00
Channel Mileage — Per Mile	\$ 1.90	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.60

3. Service Descriptions

a. Pricing Plans

(1) Description

Pricing Plans are pricing options available to Digital Data, 56 Kbps Customers. A Customer can subscribe to specific longer term commitment periods in exchange for reduced monthly rates as set forth in Section 2d preceding.

(2) Termination Liability

- (a) A termination liability payment is applicable when a service is disconnected in full or in part prior to the end of the selected commitment period, except as set for in (d) following:
- (b) Customer shall have the right to terminate the Agreement prior to expiration of the Service Term upon ninety (90) days prior written notice to Palmerton Telephone Company (“Early Termination”). Upon such Early Termination, Customer shall remain liable for payment of any Service Payments due and owing at date of termination, as well as an Early Termination Fee equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the remaining balance to the end of the Service Term. In addition, Customer shall be liable for a \$150.00 administration fee (“Administration Fee”) for processing such Early Termination.
- (c) Palmerton Telephone Company shall have the right to terminate said Agreement prior to expiration of the Service Term upon the occurrence of any of the events of Default set forth.
- (d) In the event of a breach of this Agreement by either party, the non-defaulting party may terminate upon occurrence of said default. The non-defaulting party shall provide the defaulting party with thirty (30) days in which to cure. Failure to cure said default shall, at the option of the nondefaulting party, result in termination.

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a. Pricing Plans (Cont'd)

(3) Termination Without Liability

- (a) A Plan may be canceled without liability should the applicable tariff rates increase.
- (b) A request to change to a longer commitment period will mollify the current termination liability. All terms and conditions associated with the new Pricing Plans will apply.
- (c) Termination liability is not applicable if the Customer requests to upgrade service to a higher capacity or a higher speed service and meets all of the following conditions:
  - The new service is provided between the same locations as the disconnected service.
  - The new service is purchased under a long-term agreement equal to or greater than the commitment period of the service being disconnected.
  - The orders for the disconnect of the existing Plan rate elements and the new connect are received by the Telephone Company at the same time, with the same due date, and are related together by a Related Purchase Order Number (RPON).
  - The total bandwidth (kbps) of the service is greater than or equal to the bandwidth of the discontinued service(s).