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TARIFF SCHEDULE
APPLICABLE TO
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WITHIN
THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
ISSUED BY
SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.

South Carolina P.S.C. Access Service Tariff No. 5

This tariff replaces Sprint Communications Company, L.P. P.S.C. Access Service Tariff No. 4 in its entirety.

STATEMENT OF CONCURRENCE

The General Regulations, applicable to the provisioning of Intrastate Access Services, and other miscellaneous services, hereinafter referred collectively as service(s) provided by Sprint Communications Company, L.P., hereinafter referred to as the Company, to Intrastate Customers, are the same as those filed in the Sprint Communications Company, L.P. [Tariff F.C.C. No. 13](#), Access Service tariff, with the exceptions listed herein. These regulations are consistent with South Carolina rules and regulations.

EXCEPTIONS TO SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 13

Section 8 – Rates and Charges

Section 12 – Toll VoIP-PSTN (N)

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12. Toll VoIP-PSTN

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12.1 General

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Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic is defined as traffic exchanged between a Sprint Communications Company, L.P. end user and the customer in time division multiplexing (“TDM”) format that originates and/or terminates in Internet protocol (“IP”) format. This section governs the identification of Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic that is required to be compensated at interstate access rates (unless the parties have agreed otherwise) by the Federal Communications Commission in its Report and Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc., FCC Release No. 11-161 (Nov. 18, 2011) as modified by its Second Order on Reconsideration, FCC Release No. 12-47 (April 25, 2012), and as codified in 47 C.F.R. 51.319 (“Reconsideration Order”), and unless Sprint and the Customer have agreed otherwise. Specifically, this section establishes the method of separating such traffic (referred to in this tariff as “Relevant VoIP-PSTN Traffic”) from the customer’s traditional intrastate access traffic, so that such Relevant VoIP-PSTN Traffic can be billed in accordance with the FCC Orders.

If a Toll Free Database Access Query charge is assessed on a Toll Free 8YY Traffic call, it will be rated at the charges as set forth in the appropriate section of this tariff.

12.1.1 Rating of Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic

The Relevant VoIP-PSTN Traffic identified in accordance with this tariff section will be billed at rates equal to the Company’s tariffed interstate switched access rates as provided in Sprint’s Tariff F.C.C. No. 13, unless intrastate rates are lower in which case they will be rated at the intrastate charges. Intrastate VoIP-PSTN not required to be billed at the interstate rates pursuant to this Section will be billed in accordance with the intrastate rate provisions of this Tariff (absent an agreement between the company and the customer).

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12.2 Calculation and Application of Percent-VoIP-Usage Factor

Sprint will determine the number of Relevant Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic minutes of use (“MOU”) to which interstate rates will be applied under subsection 12.1.1, above, by applying a Percent VoIP Usage (“PVU”) factor to the total intrastate access MOU exchanged between the Sprint’s end user and the customer. The PVU will be derived and applied as follows:

- (1) The customer will calculate and furnish to Sprint a factor for Percentage VoIP Usage - Customer (“PVU-C”) representing the percentage of the total intrastate and interstate access MOU that the customer exchanges with the Sprint in the State, that (a) is sent to Sprint and that originated in IP format; or (b) is received from Sprint and terminated in IP format. This PVU-C shall be based on information such as the number of the customer’s retail VoIP subscriptions in the state (e.g., as reported on FCC Form 477), traffic studies, actual call detail, or other relevant and verifiable information.
- (2) Sprint will, likewise, calculate a factor for Percentage VoIP Usage – Sprint (“PVU-S”) representing the percentage of Sprint’s total intrastate and interstate access MOU in the State that Sprint originates or terminates on its network in IP format. This PVU-S shall be based on information such as the number of Sprint’s retail VoIP subscriptions in the state (e.g., as reported on FCC Form 477), traffic studies, actual call detail, or other relevant and verifiable information.
- (3) Sprint will use the PVU-C and PVU-S factors to calculate a PVU factor that represents the percentage of total intrastate and interstate access MOU exchanged between Sprint’s end user and the customer that is originated or terminated in IP format, whether at Sprint’s end, at the customer’s end, or at both ends. The PVU factor will be calculated as the sum of (A) the PVU-C factor and (B) the PVU-S factor times (1.0 minus the PVU-C factor).

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12.2 Calculation and Application of Percent-VoIP-Usage Factor (Continued)

- (4) Sprint will apply the PVU factor to the total intrastate access MOU exchanged with the customer to determine the number of Relevant VoIP-PSTN Traffic MOUs.

Example 1: The PVU-S is 10% and the PVU-C is 40%. The PVU factor is equal to $40\% + (10\% \times 60\%) = 46\%$. The Company will bill 46% of the customer's intrastate access MOU at the Company's applicable tariffed interstate or intrastate switched access rates, whichever is lower.

Example 2: The PVU-S is 10% and the PVU-C is 0%. The PVU factor is $0\% + (10\% \times 100\%) = 10\%$. The Company will bill 10% of the customer's intrastate access MOU at the Company's applicable tariffed interstate or intrastate switched access rates, whichever is lower.

Example 3: The PVU-C is 100%. No matter what the PVU-S factor is, the PVU is 100%. The Company will bill 100% of the customer's intrastate access MOU at the Company's applicable tariffed interstate or intrastate switched access rates, whichever is lower.

- (5) If the customer does not furnish the Company with a PVU-C pursuant to the preceding paragraph 1, the Company will utilize a customer PVU-C of 0%.

12.3 Initial PVU Factor

In calculating the initial PVU, Sprint will take the customer-specified PVU-C into account retroactively to December 29, 2011, provided that the customer provides the factor to Sprint no later than July 13, 2012; otherwise, it will set the initial PVU equal to the PVU-S, as specified in subsection 12.2 (2) above.

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12.4 PVU Factor Updates

The customer may update the PVU-C factor quarterly using the method set forth in subsection 12.2 (1), above. If the customer chooses to submit such updates, it shall forward to Sprint, no later than 15 days after the first day of January, April, July and/or October of each year, a revised PVU-C factor based on data for the prior three months, ending the last day of December, March, June and September, respectively. Sprint will use the revised PVU-C to calculate a revised PVU. The revised PVU factor will apply prospectively and serve as the basis for billing until superseded by a new PVU.

12.5 PVU Factor Verification

Not more than once in any year, Sprint may ask the customer to verify the PVU-C factor furnished to Sprint and customer may ask Sprint to verify the PVU-S factor and the calculation of the PVU factor. The party so requested shall comply, and shall reasonably provide the records and other information used to determine the respective PVU-C and PVU-S factors.

12.6 Auditing Procedures

Sprint may dispute the Customer's PVU factor based upon:

- (1) A review of the requested data and information provided by the customer.
- (2) Sprint's reasonable review of other market information, F.C.C. reports on VoIP lines, such as F.C.C. Form 477 or state level results based on the F.C.C. Local Competition Report or other relevant data.
- (3) A change in the reported PVU factor by more than five percentage points from the preceding quarter.

If after review of the data and information, the customer and Sprint establish revised PVU factors, the company will begin using those revised PVU factors with the next bill period.

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12.7 Rates and Charges for Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic

Local Switching and Toll Free 8YY Transit Traffic service rates below are equal to the Company's applicable tariffed intrastate (for Originating) as located elsewhere in this tariff and interstate switched access rates as provided in Sprint's Tariff F.C.C. No. 13, unless the applicable intrastate rates are lower.

(1) Local Switching

	<u>Direct Connect Rate</u> <u>Per Access Minute</u>	<u>Indirect Connect Rate</u> <u>Per Access Minute</u>
Originating	\$0.0155500	\$0.0155500
Terminating	No Exceptions	No Exceptions

(2) Toll Free 8YY Transit Traffic Service

	<u>Direct Connect Rate</u> <u>Per Access Minute</u>	<u>Indirect Connect Rate</u> <u>Per Access Minute</u>
Originating	\$0.0011540	\$0.0018870
Terminating	\$0.0011540	\$0.0018870

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