ITEM 460

Construction Charges

ITEM 460.1

Service Description

TCI shall furnish all wiring and equipment both in territories in which it has exchange distribution Facilities and on private property up to the Network Interface Demarcation Point as established by TCI.

Item 460 is grandfathered and not available for new service orders effective 2010 02 15. For new service orders, Item 460 Construction Charges has been replaced by CRTC 21461, Item 406.

ITEM 460.2

Conditions of Service

1. TCI reserves the right to determine the type of Facilities to be used (wire, cable, radio, PCM carrier, etc.), the location where the Facilities shall be placed and the time in which the work shall be undertaken.

2. Should the Customer deviate from the original provisioning plan the Customer shall pay to TCI for any additional costs (material, labour and engineering) incurred by TCI.

3. When conditions exist which make the installation unusually expensive in providing exchange distribution Facilities, the Customer may be required to pay the costs incurred in addition to the rates and charges otherwise applicable in conjunction with the service furnished.

4. When it is necessary for TCI to provide special protection equipment because of electrical hazards on the premises of the Customer, TCI may charge the Customer, all or part of the cost for furnishing such equipment.

5. Charges shall apply for the provision of Facilities at the request of the Customer in territory in which TCI has no Facilities. TCI shall provide the Facilities to reach the premises of the Customer and may locate them along public thorough fare or other such locations as required or is suitable.

6. TCI shall provide, install and maintain all Facilities that it provides. Where circumstances warrant, TCI may use the Facilities of other public utility organizations or Facilities belonging to or on the Customer's premises. When TCI uses Facilities of other public utility organizations that are located along public or on private right of ways, the Customer shall pay to TCI for any such charges levied by the owner for their use.
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7. No alterations or replacement of Facilities may be made without the written consent of TCI.

8. When a Customer requests Facilities outside the base rate area, the Customer shall pay the applicable charges (General Tariff Item 290.5) for each local channel provided regardless of whether new or existing Facilities are used, as follows:

   a. a Rural Individual Line Charge where Facilities exist,
   
   b. full construction charges where Facilities do not exist, or
   
   c. a combination of both charges, as determined by TCI if Facilities are only partially available.

9. When it is necessary to use a private right of way to provide service and TCI is charged for the use of the right of way, the Customer will be charged the full cost of securing such right of way.

10. The Customer shall pay to TCI all additional costs incurred to provide job phones, winter construction, special Facilities or alternate routing of Facilities.

11. Direct buried network Facilities to residential buildings (up to a maximum of two dwelling units) shall be provided under the following arrangements:

   a. In areas legislated by federal, provincial, municipal or local authorities having jurisdiction as being buried areas, TCI shall bury network Facilities to the network interface demarcation point at no additional charge to the Customer.

   b. In areas served by aerial Facilities, TCI if requested will supply direct buried service with the owner or occupant being responsible for the excavation and backfilling of a suitable trench. TCI may levy additional charges if deemed necessary.
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c. The building owner or occupant shall provide a trench on private property for the burial of network service Facilities as follows:

i. a minimum of 457 mm in depth, and of suitable width to accommodate the network wiring or cable being installed

ii. excavated in the most direct and practical route between the building entrance and the point of entrance specified by TCI at the Customer’s property line.

iii. where communications and power service conductors are planned to be buried in a common trench, separation between conductors shall consist of 305 mm of well tamped earth or sand, 102 mm of brick, or 76 mm of concrete, conduit or approved rigid plastic pipe.

12. Construction charges are payable when application for services is made or at the discretion of TCI when an account is rendered.

13. Financial payment options are available in monthly installments at TCI’s prevailing interest rates, over a period not to exceed 36 months for Customer initiated operating Exchange Boundary changes.

ITEM 460.3 Rates

The Customer shall pay to TCI construction charges to provide exchange distribution Facilities and such charges shall be the sum of the following:

1. In Exchanges converted to ILS the Customer shall pay the ILS surcharge for each Centrex, Individual Line or Network Access Trunk pursuant to the General Tariff Item 290.5.

2. For each Local channel provided, the Customer shall pay the Rural Individual Line Charge pursuant to General Tariff Item 290.5 between the Customer’s location and the point on the island base rate area boundary where Facilities exist to the Customer’s premises.

3. When new construction is required to furnish service, TCI shall assess a construction charge based on the additional cost incurred (material, labour and engineering) to place the Facilities.