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#### CONSTRUCTION CHARGES

Item

96-A INSIDE WIRE - STAND-ALONE MULTI-DWELLING UNITS (MDUs)

#### A. GENERAL

Pursuant to Telecom Decision CRTC 99-10, and as amended in CRTC related follow-up decisions, C inside wire which meets the following conditions are governed by the provisions specified in Item 96-A, in addition to Items 96, 97 or any other Items as applicable:

- copper wire (and related facilities) used for the provision of any copper-based services; (per CRTC letter dated 2000 06 27, para. 5; CRTC File: 8644-N31-01/99);
- either provided by the Company, or any other party, that connects to the Company's network for copper-based services; and

### 3. except:

- MDUs on campuses or other contiguous properties.
- MDUs on a continuous property containing other than stand-alone MDUs.

In the event of any inconsistency or conflict between the provisions specified in Item 96-A and other Items in the Company's Tariffs, Item 96-A shall apply.

#### B. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply to inside wire governed by Item 96-A, notwithstanding and in C addition to any similar or other definitions contained in the DEFINITION section of CRTC 1005 and other Items:

### CUSTOMER DEMARCATION POINT

The point where the inside wire and the in-building wire meet. (See also definition for SERVICE PROVIDER DEMARCATION POINT.)

### DEMARCATION POINT

The physical location ("point") where the wires and facilities on one side of the point are under the responsibility and control of one party (namely, the Company), and the wires and facilities on the other side of the point are under the responsibility and control of a different party.

#### IN-BUILDING WIRE

Wire and related facilities which are in the MDU (e.g., wires in the MDU's risers, running from the main terminal room to the telephone closet on each floor and from there to the customer's suite); in-building wire may be owned by the Company or by the MDU owner.

# INSIDE WIRE

Wire and related facilities which are usually in, or in the proximity of, the unit of the end-user, and which are under the customer's responsibility and control.

## MAIN TERMINAL ROOM (MTR)

The MTR is the cross-connect point between the incoming external cables of the telecommunications service provider and the in-building cable/wire system.

### SERVICE PROVIDER DEMARCATION POINT

The point where the telecommunication service provider's facilities and the wire in the building meet shall be at the MDU's MTR.

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#### C. CONDITIONS

- 1. For all new MDUs where the Company has not established a service provider demarcation point, the Company shall establish its service provider demarcation point (consistent with Item 97 A.3.) at the MTR of the MDU.
- 2. Consistent with Item 97 A.4., the Company shall move its service provider demarcation point (in existence as of the approved effective date of Item 96-A) to the MTR of an MDU in each of the following circumstances where:
  - (a) The MDU is subject to Item 96-A provisions; and
  - (b) The MDU owner provides a written notice to the Company for transfer of responsibility and control of the Company's in-building wire and related facilities.
- 3. In exceptional circumstances where the MDU owner is not willing to accept responsibility and control for the in-building wire, but is willing to permit a local exchange carrier (LEC) to install facilities in the MDU, the Company's service provider demarcation point shall not move; and the Company shall manage the in-building wire it installed and still retains responsibility and control.
- 4. In situations where an MDU owner accepts responsibility and control for in-building wire (and related facilities) from the Company, the following shall apply:
  - (a) The MDU owner (or the owner's agent) assumes responsibility for managing and maintaining those facilities; and
  - (b) The MDU owner cannot relinquish responsibility and control of the in-building wire once it has been accepted.
- 5. In situations where an MDU owner has declined or elected not to accept responsibility and control for in-building wire from the Company, the MDU owner may later decide to accept it.
- 6. In situations where the ownership of an MDU changes and the Company owns the in-building wire (and related facilities), any purchaser of the MDU may accept or decline the transfer of responsibility and control from the Company, notwithstanding that the previous owner of the MDU had assumed responsibility and control.
- 7. When an MDU owner (or alternatively its agent, if applicable) or end-user requests the Company to provide maintenance or repair on the multi-line inside wire on the MDU owner's C side of the Company's service provider demarcation point, the Company shall provide the requested maintenance or repair at rates and conditions specified in Item 170. Customers shall not be charged for maintenance or repair for in-building wire (per CRTC letter, Re: Errata: Letter-decision dated 25 July 2000 on follow-up to Decision 99-10, dated 2000 08 10, last paragraph, CRTC File No.: 8638-C12-27/99).
- 8. For purposes of identifying and isolating in-building and/or multi-line inside wire problems, the Company shall provide diagnostic service at no charge to the MDU owner (or alternatively its agent, if applicable) or end-user in MDUs where insulation displacement connectors have not been installed at the Company's service provider demarcation point. In situations where insulation displacement connectors have been installed at the Company's service provider demarcation point in MDUs, the Company shall provide the requested diagnostic service at rates and conditions specified in Item 170. (subject to Exception specified). (Exception per CRTC letter, Re: Follow-up to Decision 99-10: NTC, NBT, ITC, TCI, TCBC, dated 2000 07 25, third last paragraph; CRTC File No.: 8638-C12-27/99: The Company shall provide inside wire diagnostics at no charge where the enduser is unable to sectionalise troubles, no matter which local exchange carrier is providing service to the end-user as long as a Company-owned loop is the underlying access facility).

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