ITEM Digital Private Line Service

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1. Service Description

Digital Private Line Service provides for the digital transmission of information at 1.544 Mbps (DS-1) and at 44.736 Mbps (DS-3) between two points in the same exchange or between exchanges or between an exchange and international border crossing point. Transmission in increments of 64 Kbps is also available between exchanges, or between an exchange and an international border crossing point.

This service is forborne from regulation, pursuant to Telecom Decision CRTC 2000-150, when it is provided on the cross-sections identified in Item 500.02.

2. Definitions

For the purposes of this Tariff Item:

"Channelizing DS-1" refers to a feature which enables a DS-1 access or channel to be connected to DS-0 channels other SaskTel services.

"Channelizing DS-3" refers to a feature which enables a DS-3 access or channel to be connected to DS-1 level services including access, channels or other SaskTel services.

"Digital Private Line Channel – Special Routing" provides diverse routing of a c specified group of channels in a cross section.

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2. **Definitions** – *Continued*

"Station" refers to the multiplexer or terminal equipment provided on the customer's side of the demarcation point. Extension of service beyond the demarcation point may require additional equipment or facilities.

3. Conditions of Service

- 1. Service shall be provided within and between wire centres subject to the availability of suitable facilities and equipment. Multi-point and multi-drop feature configurations are available as provided for in Digital Private Line Solutions Service Extension Access Service.
- 2. SaskTel shall determine the wire centres from where service shall be provided.
- 3. Digital Private Line DS-1 Access (Refer to SaskTel General Tariff Item on Digital Network Access or SaskTel Competitor Access Tariff Item on Competitor Digital Network Services) and DS-3 Access (SaskTel General Tariff Item on Digital Network Access or SaskTel Competitor Access Tariff Item on Competitor Digital Network Services) are offered on a monthly basis, with restriction, or on a one to five year Minimum Contract Period (MCP) basis. Other Digital Private Line service components are offered on a monthly basis or under a Customer Volume Pricing Plan as detailed in the item on Customer Volume Pricing Plan (CVPP).

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		4.	When it is necessary to install special equipment or to incur unusual expense to establish Digital Private Line network service, the Customer shall pay an additional charge based on the equipment installed and the unusual expense incurred.	C
		5.	Digital Private Line Service may be connected to either customer or SaskTel provided terminal equipment located at the Customer's premises.	С
		6.	The Customer is solely responsible for the installation, operation and maintenance of customer provided terminal equipment.	
		7.	The Customer's terminal equipment attached to SaskTel's network must be certified or connected through a certified network protection device in accordance with SaskTel's Terminal Attachment Standards.	
		8.	A separate wire centre may be designated as a Special Routing Office. In such cases, charges for local channel facilities will be calculated based on the distance measured from the customer's normal serving wire centre, and charges for interexchange channel facilities will be calculated based on the distance measured from the rate centre. In addition, the Customer shall pay channel charges between the customer's normal serving wire centre and the	

9. SaskTel will provide service to the Network Interface Demarcation Point located at the customer's premises.

rate centre, where applicable.

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- 10. The Customer shall be responsible for the extension of the service to other points within the same building.
- 11. Service Extension to the customer's premises or interconnection to other services except Digital Channel Services may be provided via the rate centre or diversity office served by Digital Private Line.
- 12. DS-1 and DS-3 Access Special Routing may be provided under the conditions specified in the item on Access Special Routing, where the customer premises are located on a route where sufficient and diverse facilities exist. In cases where sufficient and diverse facilities do not exist, access special routing may be provided based upon cost incurred.
- 13. Digital Private Line Service may be connected to other SaskTel Services subject to the rates and conditions of service as specified in other SaskTel Tariffs. As an exception Digital Private Line Solutions Service Extension Features may not be connected to Digital Channel Services.

4. Rates

The Customer shall pay to SaskTel the following rates and charges for Digital Private Line Service. Such rates and charges are in addition to any other rates and charges that may be applicable.

 Access, link and channelizing features are provided at rates and charges as detailed in SaskTel General Tariff Item on Digital Network Access or SaskTel Competitor Access Tariff Item on Competitor Digital Network Access Services. Intra-exchange DS-0, DS-1 and DS-3 channels between wire centres, or between wire centre and a rate centre within an exchange are also furnished at the rates and charges as detailed in the item on Digital Network Access.

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4. Rates – Continued

- 2. Inter-exchange DS-0, DS-1, DS-2 (for rating purposes) and DS-3 channels between
 - (a) rate centres of the exchanges located within SaskTel,
 - (b) a SaskTel rate centre and an international border crossing point,
 - (c) a SaskTel rate centre and another telco rate centre, or
 - (d) a SaskTel rate centre and a point of connection with an independent telephone company

are furnished at rates and charges as detailed in the item on Inter-Office Digital Channels and Access, Link and Channelizing Feature (where applicable) charges specified in SaskTel General Tariff Item on Digital Network Access or SaskTel Competitor Access Tariff Item on Competitor Digital Network Services.

3. Metropolitan inter-exchange channels refer to SaskTel Competitor Access Tariff Item on Competitor Digital Network Services. С