

Section 2. RULES AND REGULATIONS

2.5 Billing Procedures and Payment Requirements (Cont'd)

2.5.2 Taxes and Surcharges

Any applicable taxes or surcharges which are levied or imposed on the Company by any taxing authority or other governmental agency, such as the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) or the Nebraska Public Service Commission (NPSC) for direct charge to the customer shall be added to the customer's regular monthly billing. These taxes and surcharges will be charged on a proportionate basis to all customers receiving service within the jurisdiction of such governmental agency. Such taxes and surcharges include sales taxes, federal excise taxes, applicable franchise taxes, occupation taxes, license taxes, E-911 Surcharges, Dual Party Relay Surcharges, FCC subscriber Line Charges or other such charges as may be mandated by the FCC, the NPSC or any other taxing authority or governmental agency having jurisdiction over the Company.

Telecommunications Relay Surcharge – The Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) Surcharge, f/k/a the Nebraska Dual Party Relay Surcharge, is five cents (\$.05) for the first one hundred (100) telephone numbers or functional equivalent per subscriber per month.

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2.5.3 Insufficient Funds Checks

A.. Checks on banks will be accepted for payment of bills or other amounts due to the Company.

B. If the customer submits payment for service using an insufficient funds check, the Company will pass on to the customer any penalties, charges or fees assessed by the bank.

C. Upon receipt of an insufficient funds check, the Company will follow these procedures:

The Company will call the bank to verify that there are adequate funds in the customer's account to return the check.