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paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section based on the category relationships and allocation factors for the twelve months subsequent to the conversion to cost company status.

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#### § 36.4 Streamlining procedures for processing petitions for waiver of study area boundaries.

Effective January 1, 2012, local exchange carriers seeking a change in study area boundaries shall be subject to the following procedure:

(a) Public Notice and Review Period. Upon determination by the Wireline Competition Bureau that a petitioner has filed a complete petition for study area waiver and that the petition is appropriate for streamlined treatment, the Wireline Competition Bureau will issue a public notice seeking comment on the petition. Unless otherwise notified by the Wireline Competition Bureau, the petitioner is permitted to alter its study area boundaries on the 60th day after the reply comment due date, but only in accordance with the boundary changes proposed in its application.

(b) Comment Cycle. Comments on petitions for waiver may be filed during the first 30 days following public notice, and reply comments may be filed during the first 45 days following public notice, unless the public notice specifies a different pleading cycle. All comments on petitions for waiver shall be filed electronically, and shall satisfy such other filing requirements as may be specified in the public notice.

[76 FR 73853, Nov. 29, 2011]

# Subpart B—Telecommunications Property

#### General

### §36.101 Section arrangement.

(a) This subpart is arranged in sections as follows:

#### GENERAL

Telecommunications Plant in Service—Account 2001—36.101 and 36.102.

General Support Facilities—Account 2110— 36.111 and 36.112. Central Office Equipment—Accounts 2210, 2220, 2230—36.121 thru 36.126.

Information Origination/Termination Equipment—Account 2310—36.141 and 36.142.

- Cable and Wire Facilities—Account 2410— 36.151 thru 36.157.
- Amortization Assets—Accounts 2680 and 2690—36.161 and 36.162.
- Telecommunications Plant—Other Accounts 2002 thru 2005—36.171.

Rural Telephone Bank Stock-36.172.

Material and Supplies—Accounts 1220, and Cash Working Capital—36.181 and 36.182. Equal Access Equipment—36.191.

[60 FR 12138, Mar. 6, 1995]

#### §36.102 General.

(a) This section contains an outline of the procedures used in the assignment of Telecommunications Plant in Service—Account 2001 to categories and the apportionment of the cost assigned to each category among the operations.

(b) The treatment of rental plant is outlined in  $\S$ 36.2(c) through 36.2(e). If the amount of such plant is substantial, the cost may be determined by using the general procedures set forth for the assignment of the various kinds of property to categories.

(c) The amount of depreciation deductible from the book cost or "value" is apportioned among the operations in proportion to the separation of the cost of the related plant accounts.

#### GENERAL SUPPORT FACILITIES

## §36.111 General.

(a) The costs of the general support facilities are contained in Account 2110, Land and Support Assets. This account contains land, buildings, motor vehicles, aircraft, special purpose vehicles, garage work equipment, other work equipment, furniture, office equipment and general purpose computers.

## §36.112 Apportionment procedure.

(a) The costs of the general support facilities of Class A Companies (which are defined in part 32 of the Commission's Rules) are apportioned among the operations on the basis of the separation of the costs of the combined Big Three Expenses which include the following accounts:

# §36.112

# §36.121

#### Plant Specific Expenses

Central Office Switching Expenses—Accounts 6211 and 6212

Operators Systems Expenses—Account 6220 Central Office Transmission Expenses—Accounts 6231 and 6232

Information Origination/Termination Expenses—Accounts 6311, 6341, 6351, and 6362

Cable and Wire Facilities Expenses—Accounts 6411, 6421, 6422, 6423, 6424, 6426, 6431, and 6441

Plant Non-Specific Expenses

Network Operations Expenses—Accounts 6531, 6532, 6533, 6534, and 6535

Customer Operations Expenses

Marketing—Account 6611 and 6613 Services—Account 6620

(b) The costs of the general support facilities for Class B Companies (which are defined by part 32 of the Commission's Rules) are apportioned among the operations on the basis of the separation of the costs of Central Office Equipment, Information Origination/ Termination Equipment, and Cable and Wire Facilities, combined.

[52 FR 17229, May 6, 1987, as amended at 53 FR 33012, Aug. 29, 1988; 69 FR 12549, Mar. 17, 2004]

## CENTRAL OFFICE EQUIPMENT

## §36.121 General.

(a) The costs of central office equipment are carried in the following accounts:

Central Office Switching	Account
Non-digital Switching	2210. Account
Digital Electronic	2211. Account
Switching.	2212.
Operator Systems	Account 2220.
Central Office—Trans- mission.	Account 2230.
Radio Systems	Account
Circuit Trusiens and	2231.
Circuit Equipment	Account 2232.

(b) Records of the cost of central office equipment are usually maintained for each study area separately by accounts. However, each account frequently includes equipment having more than one use. Also, equipment in one account frequently is associated

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closely with equipment in the same building in another account. Therefore, the separations procedures for central office equipment have been designed to deal with categories of plant rather than with equipment in an account.

(c) In the separation of the cost of central office equipment among the operations, the first step is the assignment of the equipment in each study area to categories. The basic method of making this assignment is the identification of the equipment assignable to each category, and the determination of the cost of the identified equipment by analysis of accounting, engineering and other records.

(1) The cost of common equipment not assigned to a specific category, e.g., common power equipment, including emergency power equipment, aisle lighting and framework, including distributing frames, is distributed among the categories in proportion to the cost of equipment, (excluding power equipment not dependent upon common power equipment) directly assigned to categories.

(i) The cost of power equipment used by one category is assigned directly to that category, e.g., 130 volt power supply provided for circuit equipment. The cost of emergency power equipment protecting only power equipment used by one category is also assigned directly to that category.

(ii) Where appropriate, a weighting factor is applied to the cost of circuit equipment in distributing the power plant costs not directly assigned, in order to reflect the generally greater power use per dollar of cost of this equipment.

(d) The second step is the apportionment of the cost of the equipment in each category among the operations through the application of appropriate use factors or by direct assignment.

 $[52\ {\rm FR}\ 17229,\ {\rm May}\ 6,\ 1987,\ {\rm as}\ {\rm amended}\ {\rm at}\ 69\ {\rm FR}\ 12549,\ {\rm Mar}.\ 17,\ 2004]$ 

# § 36.122 Categories and apportionment procedures.

(a) The following categories of central office equipment and apportionment procedures therefore are set forth in §§ 36.123 through 36.126.

Operator Systems Equip- Category 1. ment.