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that they provide to interexchange carriers from unregulated affiliates through affiliate transactions, from unaffiliated third parties, or from both of these sources, all other General Support Facilities investments shall be apportioned among the interexchange category, the billing and collection category, and Common Line, Local Switching, Information, Transport, and Special Access elements on the basis of Central Office Equipment, Information Origination/Termination Equipment, and Cable and Wire Facilities, combined.

(d) For local exchange carriers subject to price cap regulation and not covered by Section 69.307(c), a portion of General purpose computer investment (Account 2124), investment in Land (Account 2111), Buildings (Account 2121), and Office equipment (Account 2123) shall be apportioned to the billing and collection category on the basis of the Big Three Expense Factors allocator, defined in Section 69.2 of this Part, modified to exclude expenses that are apportioned on the basis of allocators that include General Support Facilities investment. The remaining portion of investment in these four accounts together with all other General Support Facilities investments shall be apportioned among the interexchange category, the billing and collection category, and Common Line, Local Switching, Information, Transport, and Special Access Elements on the basis of Central Office Equipment, Information Origination/Termination Equipment, and Cable and Wire Facilities, combined.

(e) Beginning July 1, 2002, for nonprice cap local exchange carriers not covered by §69.307(c)(2), a portion of General purpose computer investment shall be apportioned to the billing and collection category on the basis of the Big Three Expense Factors allocator, defined in §69.2, modified to exclude expenses that are apportioned on the basis of allocators that include General Support Facilities investment. The remaining General Support Facilities investments shall be apportioned among the interexchange category, the billing and collection category, and Common Line, Local Switching, Information, Transport, and Special Access Elements on the basis of Central Office Equipment, Information Origination/ Termination Equipment, and Cable and Wire Facilities, combined.

[58 FR 30995, May 28, 1993, as amended at 58 FR 36145, July 6, 1993; 62 FR 31939, June 11, 1997; 62 FR 40464, July 29, 1997; 62 FR 65622, Dec. 15, 1997; 66 FR 59732, Nov. 30, 2001]

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§ 69.309 Other investment.

Investment that is not apportioned pursuant to §§69.302 through 69.307 shall be apportioned among the interexchange category, the billing and collection category and access elements in the same proportions as the combined investment that is apportioned pursuant to §§69.303 through 69.307.

[62 FR 31939, June 11, 1997]

§69.310 Capital leases.

Capital Leases in Account 2680 shall be directly assigned to the appropriate interexchange category or access elements consistent with the treatment prescribed for similar plant costs or shall be apportioned in the same manner as Account 2001.

§ 69.311 Consumer Broadband-Only Loop investment.

(a) Each non-price cap local exchange carrier shall remove consumer broadband-only loop investment assigned to the special access category by §§ 69.301 through 69.310 from the special access category and assign it to the Consumer Broadband-Only Loop category when the tariff charge described in § 69.132 of this part becomes effective.

- (b) The consumer broadband-only loop investment to be removed from the special access category shall be determined using the following estimation method.
- (1) To determine the investment in Common Line facilities (Category 1.3) as if 100 percent were allocated to the interstate jurisdiction, a carrier shall use 100 percent as the interstate allocator in determining Category 1.3 investment and the allocation of investment to the common line category under part 36 of this chapter and this part.

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- (2) The result of paragraph (b)(1) of this section shall be divided by the number of voice and voice/data lines in the study area to produce an average investment per line.
- (3) The average investment per line determined by paragraph (b)(2) of this section shall be multiplied by the number of Consumer Broadband-only Loops in the study area to derive the investment to be shifted from the Special Access category to the Consumer Broadband-only Loop category.

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EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 81 FR 24345, Apr. 25, 2016, §69.311 was added. This section contains information collection and record-keeping requirements and will not become effective until approval has been given by the Office of Management and Budget.

Subpart E—Apportionment of Expenses

SOURCE: 52 FR 37313, Oct. 6, 1987, unless otherwise noted.

§69.401 Direct expenses.

- (a) Plant Specific Operations Expenses in Accounts 6110 and 6120 shall be apportioned among the interexchange category, the billing and collection category and appropriate access elements on the following basis:
- (1) Account 6110—Apportion on the basis of other investment apportioned pursuant to §69.309.
- (2) Account 6120—Apportion on the basis of General and Support Facilities investment pursuant to §69.307.
- (b) Plant Specific Operations Expenses in Accounts 6210, 6220, and 6230, shall be apportioned among the interexchange category and access elements on the basis of the apportionment of the investment in Accounts 2210, 2220, and 2230, respectively; provided that any expenses associated with DS1/ voice-grade multiplexers, to the extent that they are not associated with an analog tandem switch, assigned to the local transport category by this paragraph shall be reallocated to the local switching category; provided further that any expenses associated with common channel signalling included in Account 6210 shall be assigned to the local transport category.

- (c) Plant Specific Operations Expenses in Accounts 6310 and 6410 shall be assigned to the appropriate investment category and shall be apportioned among the interexchange category and access elements in the same proportions as the total associated investment.
- (d) Plant Non Specific Operations Expenses in Accounts 6510 and 6530 shall be apportioned among the interchange category, the billing and collection category, and access elements in the same proportions as the combined investment in COE, IOT, and C&WF apportioned to each element and category.
- (e) Plant Non Specific Operations Expenses in Account 6540 shall be assigned to the interexchange category.
- (f) Plant Non Specific Operations Expenses in Account 6560 shall be apportioned among the interexchange category, the billing and collection category, and access elements in the same proportion as the associated investment.
- (g) Amortization of embedded customer premises wiring investment shall be deemed to be associated with §69.303(b) IOT investment for purposes of the apportionment described in paragraph (c) of this section.

 $[52\ {\rm FR}\ 37313,\ {\rm Oct.}\ 6,\ 1987,\ {\rm as}\ {\rm amended}\ {\rm at}\ 62\ {\rm FR}\ 31939,\ {\rm June}\ 11,\ 1997]$

§ 69.402 Operating taxes (Account 7200).

- (a) Federal income taxes, state and local income taxes, and state and local gross receipts or gross earnings taxes that are collected in lieu of a corporate income tax shall be apportioned among the interexchange category, the billing and collection category and all access elements based on the approximate net taxable income on which the tax is levied (positive or negative) applicable to each element and category.
- (b) All other operating taxes shall be apportioned among the interexchange category, the billing and collection category and all access elements in the same manner as the investment apportioned to each element and category pursuant to §69.309 Other Investment.