

from the office of Information Processing Services

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To: All IPC Users

From: R. G. Mills

Subject: Charges for the Use of the Multics System

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The following provisional prices for use of Multics (Multiplexed Information and Computing Service) on the GE-645 are effective October 6, 1969.

CPU Time

Shift 1	(0800 - 1800)	\$420/hour
Shift 2	(1800 - 2400)	\$330/hour
Shift 3	(0000 - 0800)	\$180/hour
Shift 4	(0800 - 2400 weekends)	\$240/hour

Terminal Connect Time

\$1.00/hour

Secondary Storage

\$1.00/page/month  
(effective October 17, 1969)

Registration

\$10/user/month

The secondary storage charge will be assessed daily at a rate of \$.033/page/day. The registration fee will be charged as \$10 for each month or fraction of a month in which a user is registered.

For those of you who are familiar with CTSS charging, you will find that these prices represent an improvement. The GE-645 has a more powerful CPU, a more extensive instruction set, and a 1  $\mu$  sec memory. In addition, directory records are not charged for at a higher rate, as they are on CTSS.

These prices will remain in effect for at least the months of October and November. A new, finer-grained accounting scheme is now being worked on which will permit us to lower the CPU rate, charge explicitly for core usage, and provide CTSS-like resource-usage limit stops. Ample notice will be given to users before any revisions are made to the current rate schedule.