
SECTION 5 – MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES

5.1 Payphone Origination Charge

Pursuant to the FCC's Order in CC Docket 96-128, this charge applies only to dial-around calls, i.e., calls originating using a carrier's access code, a Customer's 800/877/888 (and other area code assignments as appropriate) number and other toll free numbers and debit card calls, from payphone instruments. This charge does not apply for 0+ call for which the payphone provider would otherwise receive compensation. The Customer shall pay the Company a per call charge of \$0.60 per call for all such traffic.

5.2 PIC Change Rebate

If local telephone company is requested to change the subscriber's PIC from one long distance service provider to another long distance service provider, the local telephone company may charge the Customer for the PIC change. If a Customer incurs such a charge from its local telephone company for changing the PIC to the Company, the Company will rebate that charge to the Customer. The rebate will be in the form of a credit on the Customer's bill. The credit will appear within two (2) billing cycles after the Customer provides the Company proof that the local telephone company billed the Customer for the PIC change.

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5.3 Universal Service Charge

Company is required by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to contribute to the Federal Universal Service Fund (FUSF) to preserve and advance universal telecommunications services. The FCC sets the rate that Company is required to contribute, and the FCC can increase or decrease the rate on a quarterly basis. The FCC permits Company to assess a monthly surcharge for recovery of contributions paid by Company to FUSF and Company does assess such a charge. Company reserves the right to change the amount of the assessment based on changes made to the FUSF rate by the FCC.

5.4 Federal Regulatory Fee

Services provided pursuant to this Tariff are subject to a monthly Federal Regulatory Fee which will enable the Company to recover some of the costs associated with telecommunications relay services and federal regulatory compliance items. This fee applies to Business Customers only and they will be assessed a monthly charge equal to a percentage of the Customer's total net interstate charges, after application of all applicable discounts and credits. This Federal Regulatory Fee is neither contributory to nor eligible to receive discounts, nor it is eligible to contribute to meeting minimum monthly or annual requirements. A Business Customer will not be required to pay this Federal Regulatory Fee if they demonstrate to the Company's reasonable satisfaction that they are acquiring the Company's service for resale. The monthly charge is 7.92%. (T) (I)

5.5 Carrier Cost Recovery Fee

Consumer Customers will be charged a \$2.24 cent per month Carrier Cost Recovery Fee to recover certain costs associated with providing state-to-state and international long distance service including expenses for national regulatory fees and programs, and connection and account servicing charges. The CCRF is applied in full whether or not the Customer's billing period covers a full month. This fee is not a tax or charge required by the government.