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We attach for filing this Tier I advice letter to make the following changes in tariff sheets:

SCHEDULE CAL.P.U.C. NO.A2.

2nd Revised Sheet	158.1.3
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This filing revises Schedule Cal.P.U.C. No. A2. General Regulations, 2.1. Rules, 2.1.41. Rule No. 41 - California Teleconnect Fund (CTF), to comply with CTF program changes pursuant to D.16-04-021.

In compliance with General Order 96-B, we are serving a copy of this advice letter and related tariff sheets to interested parties who have requested. This advice letter with attachments may be viewed on AT&T California's Web-Site at <https://ebiznet.att.com/calreg/>. If there are any questions regarding the distribution of this advice letter, call 415.778.1299.

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This filing is effective November 1, 2016.

Yours truly,

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Commission-Maintained Service List for "Changes in rates, terms and conditions of service, or initiation of new service" found at:  
<https://ia.cpuc.ca.gov/alsl/exportlist.aspx?listid=1>

NETWORK AND EXCHANGE SERVICES

A2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

2.1 RULES (Cont'd)

2.1.41 RULE NO. 41 - CALIFORNIA TELECONNECT FUND (CTF) (Cont'd)

A. AVAILABILITY OF DISCOUNTS UNDER CTF (Cont'd)

3. Discounts Applicable to Eligible Services

a. Hospitals and Health Clinics

Participating hospitals and health clinics shall be entitled to a 50% non-voice/25% voice discount off the entire tariffed and/or Guidebook rates or negotiated/contract rates, whichever are lower, for services identified in 2. preceding.

b. Schools

Participating schools shall be entitled to a 50% non-voice/25% voice discount off tariffed and/or Guidebook rates or negotiated/contract rates, whichever are lower, for services identified in 2. preceding, after first deducting the applicable E-rate discounts.

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For E-Rate schools, their CTF discount shall be no higher than their Federal E-Rate discount by November 1, 2016. The California Teleconnect Fund E-rate Cap shall be effective for each customer as of the customer's first billing cycle that begins on or after November 1, 2016. However, if an E-rate school's Federal E-rate subsidy for voice services is 0%, it will retain the CTF voice discount of 25% or a 50% CTF voice discount if it is exempt from a reduction in voice support.

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The 50% non-voice/25% CTF voice discount shall be calculated as follows:

- (1) If the customer has not been approved to receive E-rate discounts, whether or not an application is pending, the 50% non-voice/25% voice discount will be applied to all services (eligible for CTF) after deducting a statewide average E-rate discount (determined by the CPUC) from the billed amount.
- (2) If the customer has been approved to receive E-rate discounts, the 50% non-voice/25% voice discount will be applied to the services after deducting the actual E-rate discounts from the billed amount.
- (3) The statewide average discount is deducted from the customer's services solely for purposes of calculating the CTF discount. The statewide average discount shall be added back to the billed amount for payment by the customer. However, when the customer receives its approved E-rate benefit, the customer's account will be retroactively adjusted to reflect the approved E-rate.

The following schools shall be entitled to a 50% non-voice/25% voice discount off the entire tariffed and/or Guidebook rates or negotiated/contract rates, whichever are lower, for services identified in 2. preceding: small schools as defined in Section 42283 of the Education Code, participants whose E-rate applications have been denied, and participants who subscribe to services that are ineligible for E-rate discounts.

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Material omitted now on Sheet 158.1.4.

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NETWORK AND EXCHANGE SERVICES

A2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

2.1 RULES (Cont'd)

2.1.41 RULE NO. 41 - CALIFORNIA TELECONNECT FUND (CTF) (Cont'd)

A. AVAILABILITY OF DISCOUNTS UNDER CTF (Cont'd)

3. Discounts Applicable to Eligible Services (Cont'd)

c. Libraries (L)

Participating libraries shall be entitled to a 50% non-voice/25% voice discount off tariffed and/or Guidebook rates or negotiated/contract rates, whichever are lower, for services identified in 2. preceding, after first deducting the applicable E-rate discounts. The 50% non-voice/25% CTF voice discount shall be calculated as shown in 3.b.(1) through (3), preceding. (N)

The following libraries shall be entitled to a 50% non-voice/25% voice discount off the entire tariffed and/or Guidebook rates or negotiated/contract rates, whichever are lower, for services identified in 2., for participants whose E-rate applications have been denied and participants who subscribe to services that are ineligible for E-rate discounts. (N)

d. California Community Colleges (T)

Participating California community colleges (CCCs) and/or districts shall be entitled to a 50% non-voice/25% voice discount off posted or negotiated/contract rates, whichever are lower.

e. Community Based Organizations (CBOs) (T)

Participating CBOs shall be entitled to a 50% non-voice/25% voice discount off tariffed and/or Guidebook rates or negotiated/contract rates, whichever are lower, for services identified in 2. preceding.

(1) CBOs offering Head Start -

E-rate discounts received by a CBO offering Head Start programs shall first be taken into account prior to applying the CTF discount to the eligible service charges subscribed by the CBO, as follows:

- (a) If the CBO has been approved to receive E-rate discounts, the E-rate discount received shall be deducted from CTF eligible service charges prior to applying the 50% non-voice/25% voice discount.
- (b) If the CBO does not have an actual E-rate, a statewide average E-rate discount (set annually by the Commission) shall be deducted from CTF eligible service charges prior to applying the 50% non-voice/25% voice discount.
- (c) The statewide average E-rate discount is deducted from the CBO's services solely for purposes of calculating the CTF discount. The statewide average discount shall be added back to the billed amount for payment by the CBO. However, when the CBO subsequently receives its approved E-rate benefit, the CBO's account shall be retroactively adjusted to reflect the approved E-rate funding.

(L) Material formerly appeared on Sheet 158.1.3.

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NETWORK AND EXCHANGE SERVICES

A2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

2.1 RULES (Cont'd)

2.1.41 RULE NO. 41 - CALIFORNIA TELECONNECT FUND (CTF) (Cont'd)

A. AVAILABILITY OF DISCOUNTS UNDER CTF (Cont'd)

3. Discounts Applicable to Eligible Services (Cont'd)

f. Rural Health Care Providers (RHCP) - Public or non-profit healthcare providers in rural areas may be eligible for Federal rural healthcare discounts under the Rural Health Care Program of the Universal Service Fund. Rural Health Care (RHC) funding received by a RHCP shall first be taken into account prior to applying the CTF discount to the eligible service charges subscribed by the RHCP. The 50% non-voice/25% voice CTF discount shall be calculated as follows: (T)

- (1) The 50% non-voice/25% voice discount shall be applied to the entire CTF eligible service charges subscribed by the RHCP that does not apply for Rural Health Care (RHC) funding in a given fiscal year.
- (2) The 50% non-voice/25% voice discount shall be applied to the entire CTF eligible service charges subscribed by the RHCP awaiting approval for RHC funding for the fiscal year. Once approved, the CTF discount shall be trued up for that fiscal year to take into account the RHC funding received.

4. Special Terms for Voice Discounts

Pursuant to CPUC Decision 16-04-021, CTF discounts for voice services will be reduced from 50% to 25% on July 1, 2016. CTF recipients or prospective applicants in unserved or underserved areas of California can apply for a Voice Exemption to maintain their 50% discount on their voice services if they are using dial-up telephone service as the only means to access the Internet. An entity can verify if its location is eligible for a Voice Exemption by using the California Broadband Availability map on the Commission's CTF web site. Upon approval of the Voice Exemption by the Commission, their location will maintain the 50% discount for voice service, but will not be eligible for CTF discounts on other data or access services at that location. CTF entities that are located only in unserved or underserved areas and using dial-up telephone service as the only means to access the Internet may apply for the Voice Exemption to maintain the 50% voice discount. Once approved, they will not be eligible for discounts on any other services at that location.

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