

**TARIFF DISTRIBUTION**

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PURPOSE: Lifeline change due to implementation of National Verifier.

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**1. LOW-INCOME PROGRAM (cont'd)**

C. Lifeline Assistance (cont'd)

4. Eligibility Determination and Certification Criteria

- a) Applicants must provide proof of eligibility and be deemed eligible for participation consistent with the federal requirements set forth in 47 C.F.R. 54.410.

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- b) On or after June 11, 2019, the Company will no longer be responsible for determining Lifeline eligibility. On or after June 11, 2019, the National Lifeline Eligibility Verifier (National Verifier) will determine subscriber eligibility, conduct annual recertification, and populate the Lifeline Eligibility Database (all subscribers deemed eligible for the Lifeline Program. The Company shall continue to support customers by assisting them with their lifeline applications, including but not limited to submitting a customer's Lifeline application and applicable supporting documentation to the National Verifier. The National Verifier will collect the customer's application, determine eligibility, and give an approval or denial for a Lifeline discount. Once approved, the National Verifier will retain the approval for 90 days, during which time the Company may use the eligibility to provide a Lifeline discount. The customer may also use their eligibility to obtain a Lifeline discount from a Company other than AT&T.

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5. Credits

- a) Customers eligible for Lifeline Assistance shall receive a \$9.25 credit applied to their monthly bill in accordance with the federal Lifeline provisions set forth in 47 C.F.R. 54.
- b) Customers eligible for Lifeline Assistance are eligible to receive Toll Blocking Service at no charge. This service will only be provided at the customer's request.

D. Link-Up Assistance (Lifeline Connection Assistance)<sup>/1/</sup>

<sup>/1/</sup> The requirement for ETCs to offer Link-Up assistance (discounted service connection charges) was eliminated by the Federal Communications Commission pursuant to the Lifeline Reform and Modernization Order, Released February 6, 2012.