FCC Form 499 Filer Database
Data Dictionary

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1. About This Data Dictionary

The FCC Form 499 Filer Database is an identification system for all interstate telecommunications carriers, all interconnected VoIP providers, and certain other providers of interstate telecommunications. These providers are required to register with the Commission using the Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet (FCC Form 499-A) and update their registration on a periodic basis, including at least once a year. Filers submit the FCC Form 499-A to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). Although the registration information filed via FCC Form 499-A is public and attainable from the FCC Form 499 Filer Database, the majority of the information reported on that form is private and not accessible to the public. The FCC Form 499 Filer Database is used by industry, consumers, and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to find the a provider’s Form 499 Filer ID, business name(s), primary address, jurisdictions in which the provider either currently provides service or in which it plans to offer service in the next year, and designated agent for service of process, as well as names under which the provider may have conducted business in the past.

USAC is an independent, not-for-profit corporation designated as the administrator of the federal Universal Service Fund by the FCC. USAC administers Universal Service Fund programs for carriers serving high-cost areas, low-income consumers, rural health care providers, and schools and libraries. The Universal Service Fund helps communities across the country afford telecommunications and advanced services.

The FCC Form 499 Filer Database allows you to access FCC Form 499 registration data that was filed with USAC. The output data conforms to the XML Schema available at http://apps.fcc.gov/cgb/form499/XMLSchema/Filer499QueryResults_Schema.xsd. The data includes:

- Form 499 Filer ID for each company returned in the query.
- Company’s business name(s) and primary address(es).
- Names and business addresses of various company officers.
- Company’s designated agent for service of process.
- Names under which the company has conducted business in the past.
- Jurisdictions in which the company either currently provides telecommunications or in which it plans to offer service in the next year.
2. Sections and Variable Definitions

The XML output is divided into nested tagged sections, each containing variables. These are defined as follows:

2.1. Filer499QueryResults (tag)

This tag defines all the data included in the XML extract. It contains the reference to the XML Schema which corresponds to the data extract. There are two attributes to the export:

2.1.1. Updated date

This is the date which the data in the database was generated by USAC. Generally, this database is extracted by USAC and refreshed on the FCC Form 499 Filer Database web site once a month. In the interactive application this is described as “This database reflects filings received by USAC as of Feb. 04, 2011”.

2.1.2. RecordCount (integer)

This is the number of Form 499 Filer records which have been included in this extract.

2.2. Filer (tag)

Every set of Form 499 Filer data is defined inside the “Filer” tags. Inside these tags is the following data:

2.2.1. Form_499_ID (string)

Form 499 Filer ID

2.2.2. Filer_ID_Info (tag)

This tag describes the Filer Identification Information.

2.2.2.1. Registration_Current_as_of (date)

Registration is current as of this date.

2.2.2.2. start_date (date)

Start Date for this filer.

2.2.2.3. end_date (date)

Date No Longer Active for this filer, if the filing is no longer active.
2.2.2.4. end_reason_desc (string)
Reason that this filer is no longer active, if filer is no longer active.

2.2.2.5. replacement_id (string)
Replacement Form 499 Filer ID if this filer is no longer active and has been replaced with another Form 499 Filer ID.

2.2.2.6. USF_Contributor (string)
Yes/No: This filer is obligated to contribute to the USF.

2.2.2.7. Legal_Name (string)
Legal Name of filer

2.2.2.8. doing_business_as (string)
“Doing Business As” Name of filer

2.2.2.9. Principal_Communications_Type (string)
Principal Communications Type

2.2.2.10. holding_company (string)
Holding Company

2.2.2.11. FRN (string)
Registration Number (CORESID) for reporting entity. Multiple values are possible.

2.2.2.12. management_company (string)
Management Company

2.2.2.13. hq_address (tag)
Headquarters Address

2.2.2.13.1. address_line (string)
Up to three lines for street / postal address.

2.2.2.13.2. city (string)
HQ City
2.2.2.13. state(string)
HQ State

2.2.2.13.4. zip_code (string)
HQ Zip Code

2.2.2.14. customer_inquiries_address (tag)
Customer Inquiries Address

2.2.2.14.1. address_line (string)
Up to three lines for street / postal address.

2.2.2.14.2. city (string)
Customer Inquiries City

2.2.2.14.3. state(string)
Customer Inquiries State

2.2.2.14.4. zip_code (string)
Customer Inquiries Zip Code

2.2.2.15. Customer_Inquiries_telephone (string)
Customer Inquiries Telephone

2.2.2.16. Customer_Inquiries_ext (string)
Customer Inquiries Telephone Extension

2.2.2.17. other_trade_name (string)
Up to 13 Other Trade Names can be indicated.

2.2.3. Agent_for_Service_Of_Process (tag)
Data Section for Agent for Service of Process

2.2.3.1. alternate_agent (string)
Local/Alternate Agent for Service of Process
2.2.3.2. alternate_agent_telephone (string)
Local/Alternate Agent for Service of Process Telephone

2.2.3.3. alternate_agent_ext (string)
Local/Alternate Agent for Service of Process Extension

2.2.3.4. alternate_agent_fax (string)
Local/Alternate Agent for Service of Process Fax

2.2.3.5. alternate_agent_email (string)
Local/Alternate Agent for Service of Process Email Address

2.2.3.6. alternate_agent_address (tag)
Local/Alternate Agent for Service of Process Postal Address

2.2.3.6.1. address_line (string)
Up to three lines for Local/Alternate Agent for Service of Process street / postal address.

2.2.3.6.2. city (string)
Local/Alternate Agent for Service of Process City

2.2.3.6.3. state(string)
Local/Alternate Agent for Service of Process State

2.2.3.6.4. zip_code (string)
Local/Alternate Agent for Service of Process Zip Code

2.2.3.7. dc_agent (string)
D.C. Agent for Service of Process

2.2.3.8. dc_agent_telephone (string)
D.C. Agent for Service of Process Telephone

2.2.3.9. dc_agent_ext (string)
D.C. Agent for Service of Process Extension
2.2.3.10.  dc_agent_fax (string)
D.C. Agent for Service of Process Extension

2.2.3.11.  dc_agent_email (string)
D.C. Agent for Service of Process Email Address

2.2.3.12.  dc_agent_address (tag)
D.C. Agent for Service of Process Postal Address

2.2.3.12.1.  address_line (string)
Up to three lines for D.C. Agent for Service of Process street / postal address.

2.2.3.12.2.  city (string)
D.C. Agent for Service of Process City

2.2.3.12.3.  state(string)
D.C. Agent for Service of Process State

2.2.3.12.4.  zip_code (string)
D.C. Agent for Service of Process Zip Code

2.2.4.  FCC_Registration_information (tag)
FCC Registration Information

2.2.4.1.  Chief_Executive_Officer (string)
Chief Executive Officer

2.2.4.2.  ceo_address (tag)
Chief Executive Officer Postal Address

2.2.4.2.1.  address_line (string)
Up to three lines for Chief Executive Officer street / postal address. This will only appear if this address is different than the Headquarters Address reported in the Filer_ID_Info tag.

2.2.4.2.2.  city (string)
Chief Executive Officer City
2.2.4.2.3. state (string)
Chief Executive Officer State

2.2.4.2.4. zip_code (string)
Chief Executive Officer Zip Code

2.2.4.3. Chairman_or_Senior_Officer (string)
Chairman or Other Senior Officer Name

2.2.4.4. chairman_address (tag)
Chairman or Other Senior Officer Postal Address. This will only appear if this address is different than the Headquarters Address reported in the Filer_ID_Info tag.

2.2.4.4.1. address_line (string)
Up to three lines for Chairman or Other Senior Officer street / postal address.

2.2.4.4.2. city (string)
Chairman or Other Senior Officer City

2.2.4.4.3. state (string)
Chairman or Other Senior Officer State

2.2.4.4.4. zip_code (string)
Chairman or Other Senior Officer Zip Code

2.2.4.5. President_or_Senior_Officer
President or Other Senior Officer Name

2.2.4.6. president_address (tag)
President or Other Senior Officer Postal Address. This will only appear if this address is different than the Headquarters Address reported in the Filer_ID_Info tag.

2.2.4.6.1. address_line (string)
Up to three lines for President or Other Senior Officer street / postal address.

2.2.4.6.2. city (string)
President or Other Senior Officer City
2.2.4.6.3. state(string)
President or Other Senior Officer State

2.2.4.6.4. zip_code (string)
President or Other Senior Officer Zip Code

2.2.5. jurisdiction_state (string)
Jurisdictions in Which the Filer Provides Telecommunications. Multiple values are possible.