

ACCESS SERVICE

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8. Miscellaneous Services (Cont'd)

8.16 Universal Service Fund Charge

The Federal Universal Service Charge (FUSC) recovers the Telephone Company's contribution to various federal universal service funds. The Telephone Company will apply the FUSC Surcharge Factor each month to the billed charges for interstate access services provided to end users from this Tariff.

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The FUSC Surcharge Factor will not apply to any billed charges for an end user when the interstate access provided to the end user qualifies under the federal universal service guidelines for Lifeline Assistance. The FUSC Surcharge Factor will not apply to interstate access services purchased by customers that resell these services to end users as part of an interstate telecommunications service and are required to contribute to the various federal universal service funds. In case of a dispute regarding whether the customer is reselling services and contributing to the various federal universal service funds, the Telephone Company may request a signed certification to that effect from the customer.

FUSC Surcharge Factor

Percentage
9.0044%

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