

ACCESS SERVICE

8. OTHER ACCESS SERVICES

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8.2 Federal Universal Service Charge

(A) Service Description

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

FUSC will not apply to any billed charges for an end user when the interstate access service provide to the end user qualifies under the federal universal service guidelines for Lifeline Assistance. FUSC 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 certificate to that effect from the customer.

(B) Rate Regulations

The telephone Company will bill FUSC each month as described below. The FUSC Surcharge Factor is set forth in Section 8.2(C)(1) following. The Telephone Company will multiply the FUSC Surcharge Factor against the end user's billed interstate access service charges.

(C) Rates and Charges

Percentage

(1) FUSC Surcharge Factor	9.7%
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