

## FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND (FUSF)

The Federal Universal Service Fund (FUSF) charge will equal the FUSF established by the FCC, as it changes from time to time.

As of the last Guide publication date, the FUSF surcharge is equal to ~~20~~18.8 percent of all the charges, excluding Taxes, appearing on a Customer's invoice. The FUSF surcharge applies to telecommunications services subject to direct regulation by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), as well as to interconnected VoIP. A Customer will not be required to pay the FUSF if it demonstrates to the Company's reasonable satisfaction that it is acquiring the Company's services for resale, i.e., not for its own internal use, and is contributing directly into the government's Universal Service funding programs.

The FUSF will: (i) be calculated after the application of promotional and other discounts; (ii) not be eligible to receive promotional or any other discounts; (iii) not be included to determine satisfaction of usage volume requirements; (iv) be calculated based upon the rates and charges applicable to the Customer's total interstate and international usage, unless otherwise specified; (v) not apply to Taxes, tax-like, and/or tax-related surcharges as defined or described in the Publication; and (vi) not apply to calls using Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) or to calls originated by certified Customers with hearing or speech impairments.