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APPLICABILITY

Applicable to qualifying schools, libraries, municipal and county government or hospital district owned and operated hospital and health clinic, community based organizations, and California Community Colleges. All CTF recipients must meet specific eligibility criteria set by the California Public Utilities Commission. CTF discounts are available only to those CTF participants who have an approval letter from the California Public Utilities Commission.

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Within the Utility's exchanges, as said areas are defined on maps filed as part of the tariff schedules.

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1. The products/services included in the CTF Eligibility Service List are subject to a 50% non-voice subsidy on all monthly recurring rates (excluding non-recurring charges) for qualifying entities where services are available. (T)
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2. The Utility will be reimbursed from the California Teleconnect Fund for the difference between tariffed rate and the discounted rate, or if the rate negotiated is below the tariffed rate for businesses for such services, the Utility will be entitled to the sum that represents the percentage discount off the negotiated rate.
3. The discounted rates may not be resold to or shared with any other non-qualifying entity or person.
4. Funding:
If the Executive Director of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) determines that there are insufficient funds to reimburse the utility for its claims against the California Teleconnect Fund, the CPUC will promptly inform the company concerning this condition and direct the company to suspend the offering of applicable discounted rates to qualifying Schools, Libraries, Government Owned Hospitals, Government Owned Health Clinics, California Community Colleges, and Community Based Taxed Exempt Organizations on a schedule consistent with fund balances and company claims and with appropriate prior notice to customers.
5. How Discounts Are Applied:
 - a. If the customer has not been approved to receive E-rate discounts, whether or not its application is pending, the discount will be applied to CTF-eligible services after deducting a statewide average E-rate discount (determined by the CPUC) from the billed amount.
 - b. For Federal E-rate program participants, the CTF discount applies to eligible service costs minus the Federal E-rate subsidy. Per D.15-07-007, Rule 18 of Appendix A, the CTF discount amount is capped at the level equal to the E-rate subsidy. For E-Rate Schools, the E-Rate percentage discount is applied first, then the 50% CTF discount is applied to the net amount. The Company must compare the E-Rate dollar discount to the CTF dollar discount. The CTF dollar amount must be equal or less than the E-Rate discount dollar amount.

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- c. The Utility shall first apply the statewide average E-rate discount developed and updated annually by the Commission effective July 1st prior to applying the CTF discount if the school, library, and/or CBO that offers Head Start programs does not have an actual E-rate. When the customer receives its approved E-rate benefit, the customer's account will be retroactively adjusted to reflect the approved E-rate.
- d. If the customer's application with the federal E-rate has been denied, the CTF discount shall apply to the full rate of the CTF-eligible services.
- e. If the customer is a necessary small school, the CTF discount applies to the full rate of the CTF-eligible services, unless the customer presents the federal E-rate discount, at which point the federal E-rate discount shall apply before applying the CTF discount.
- f. If the customer subscribes to CTF-eligible services that are ineligible for E-rate discounts, the discount applies to the full rate of the CTF-eligible services.

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5. How Discounts Are Applied: (Continued)

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- g. The Utility shall apply the CTF discounts to Rural Health Care Providers (RHCP) as follows:
- (1) Apply CTF discount on CTF-eligible services subscribed to by RHCPs that did not apply for RHC funding in a given fiscal year.
 - (2) The Utility shall deduct any federal funding received by RHCPs first before applying the CTF discount on CTF-eligible services.
 - (3) The Utility shall continue to apply the CTF discount on CTF-eligible services for RHCPs that do not apply for RHC funding.
- h. For approved CBOs that have non-eligible E-rate service(s); the Utility will apply the appropriate CTF discount on the full monthly rate on the CTF eligible services.

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