Chapter 480-122 WAC

WASHINGTON TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WAC 480-122-010 Definitions. For purposes of this chapter:

(1) "Local exchange company" means a telecommunications company providing local exchange telecommunications service.

(2) "Department" means the department of social and health services.

(3) "Washington telephone assistance program" means the program of local exchange service discounts administered by the department.

(4) "Switched access line" means, for the purpose of applying the telephone assistance program excise tax, a communication facility extending from a serving central office to a customer's premises to provide access to and from the switched telecommunications network for message toll service and local calling. When used with PBX or Centrex-CU a switched access line may also be referred to as a trunk.

(5) Radio communications service company has the meaning found in RCW 80.04.010, except that for the purposes of this section it includes only those companies providing two-way voice communication as a common carrier.

(6) "Eligible telecommunications carrier" (ETC) means a carrier designated as an ETC pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e).

WAC 480-122-020 Washington telephone assistance program rate. The commission will set by order the telephone assistance rate to be paid by program participants for local service. Every eligible telecommunications company (ETC) must offer the telephone assistance rates and discounts in accordance with RCW 80.36.410 through 80.36.475.

WAC 480-122-050 Other charges. No change of service charge shall be charged to an eligible subscriber for the establishment of service under the telephone assistance program.

WAC 480-122-080 Accounting. Local exchange companies shall maintain their accounting records so that expenses associated with the telephone assistance program can be separately identified.

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