

LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

4. Local Exchange Service (Cont'd)

4.8 Lifeline Services (Cont'd)

C. Missouri USF Disabled Assistance

1. General – A disabled customer, or a dependent, is a customer who requests or receives residential essential local telecommunications service, as defined in section 1(c) of this tariff, and meets the eligibility requirements set forth in this tariff.
2. Regulations – Disabled assistance is available to all residential customers who demonstrate, by self certifying with the company under penalty of perjury, that they, or a dependent, are totally and permanently disabled or blind and receiving any of the following:
 - a. Federal Social Security Disability benefits.
 - b. Veterans Administration benefits.
 - c. State blind pension pursuant to Section 209.010 to 209.160 RSMo.
 - d. State aid to blind persons pursuant to Section 209.240 RSMo.
 - e. State supplemental payments pursuant to Section 208.030, RSMo Section 660.100.2 RSMo 2000.
3. Support Amount – Customers eligible under the established criteria can receive a discount equal to the amount approved by the Missouri Public Service Commission from their bill for essential local telecommunications service. The amount of state lifeline support for any customer will not exceed the recurring charges for essential local telecommunications services (including the basic service rate, Touch-Tone calling charge, extended area service additive, and mileage additives, if any).

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