Public Service Commission of Wisconsin

Assessment of Telecommunications Providers

A. What are the current and recent assessment rates for the remainder, telephone relay, and the four USF assessments?

Assessments for Remainder, Telephone Relay, Utility Trade Practices, and state USF are calculated in early October of each calendar year. The rates used for the fall billings of a given calendar year are as follows. With respect to the remainder assessment, the actual fiscal year (FY) factor is generally used. In the first year that a company is subject to the assessment, however, it is required to pay both the actual and advance assessment amounts. In the fall of the following calendar year, the advance FY assessment amount will be trued up based on actual revenues subject to the assessment and the actual FY factor.

Current and recent historical remainder and telephone relay assessment rates are shown in Table 1. USF Assessments are shown in Table 2.

Table 1

	Monthly Actual and Advance Remainder and Telephone Relay Assessment Rates					
Assessment	Fall 2023 Bill (Actual FY 23 and Advance FY 24 Factors)	Fall 2022 Bill (Actual FY 22 and Advance FY 23 Factors)	Fall 2021 Bill (Actual FY 21 and Advance FY 22 Factors)	Fall 2020 Bill (Actual FY 20 and Advance FY 21 Factors)		
Remainder – Actual Factor	0.1000613286%	0.1077173657%	.1078085812%	.0993561900%		
Remainder – Advance Factor	0.0989737342%	0.1101831443%	0.1218599026%	0.1127215793%		
Telephone Relay – Actual Factor	0.0487840338%	0.0483810176%	0.0690892733%	0.0664598844%		
Telephone Relay – Advance Factor	0.0511819386%	0.0688824913%	0.0795268703%	0.0806557275%		
Utility Trade Practices - Annual Assessment	0.0176247249%	0.0139989437%	0.0132186702%	0.0117402065%		

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Table 2

	Monthly USF Assessment Rates				
USF Assessment	10/23-9/24	10/22-9/23	10/21 – 9/22	10/20 - 9/21	
PSC USF Programs	0.06259%	0.05993%	0.05938 %	0.04170 %	
TEACH	0.10178%	0.14966%	0.14059 %	0.11753 %	
UW-System	0.01106%	0.01081%	0.01008 %	0.00859 %	
DPI Programs	0.29971%	0.26533%	0.23869 %	0.17655 %	

Note: These tables do not include additional assessments (e.g., for energy and municipal utilities) levied by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, nor assessments or fees levied by other state of Wisconsin agencies (e.g., Wisconsin Department of Revenue, Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions).

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