

Tariff 5 Filing Alert Notice September 15, 2025

Based on the FCC's recently released public notice¹, the current universal service contribution factor of 36% is expected to increase to 38.1%. We will increase the Federal Universal Service Charge to 38.1% in a tariff revision to be filed on September 16, 2025.

For those companies using FUSC rate banding, the percentage associated with the MLB EUCL FUSC rate bands will change as shown below. Each company listed in Section 17.7(B) should review the filing on September 16th for its individual rate band assignment and associated MLB EUCL FUSC surcharge factor.

All companies listed in sections 17.7(A) and 17.7(B) of the tariff must implement this change in their systems. In addition, because this filing impacts billing for interstate access, all companies must plan for providing the appropriate customer notification and implementing billing system changes.

MLB EUCL FUSC		
rate band	Current %	Proposed %
1	36.2%	38.3%
2	36.3%	38.4%
3	36.9%	39.0%
4	37.6%	39.8%
5	38.5%	40.7%
6	38.7%	41.0%
7	41.3%	43.7%
8	44.8%	47.4%
9	60.1%	63.7%
10	N/A	
11	N/A	
12	N/A	
13	N/A	
14	N/A	
15	N/A	
16	N/A	
17	N/A	
18	N/A	
19	N/A	
20	N/A	·

The proposed revisions are scheduled to become effective **October 1, 2025**. If there are any changes to the current filing assumptions or dates, we will notify you immediately via a TFAN. Please watch for our Tariff No. 5 filing notice on September 16, 2025, which will contain detailed information on all rate and rate band assignment changes.

Please contact your member service manager with questions.

¹ FCC Public Notice, Proposed Fourth Quarter 2025 Universal Service Contribution Factor (DA 25-840) released September 15, 2025.