

ALLBAND COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE

Schedule of Rates, Charges, and  
Regulations governing

LOCAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGE SERVICE

Applying in the Exchanges of this Company  
in Michigan as designated in the Table of  
Contents herein.

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LOCAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGE SERVICE  
APPLICATION AND ARRANGEMENT OF TARIFF

A. APPLICATION

1. This Tariff applies to Local Telephone Exchange Service of the Allband Communications Cooperative - hereinafter referred to as the Telephone Company - in exchange(s) in Michigan as designated herein.
2. Local Telephone Exchange Service is that of furnishing facilities for telephone intercommunication between customers within a Local Service Area.
3. The provision of service is subject to regulation specified in the M.P.S.C. Tariffs of the Telephone Company, which tariffs as they now exist or as they may be revised, added to, or supplemented by superseding issues are hereby made a part of this Tariff.

B. EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

- (C) Signifies a changed regulation.
- (D) Signifies a discontinued rate, treatment or regulation.
- (I) Signifies an increased rate, or new treatment resulting in increased rate.
- (N) Signifies a new rate, treatment or regulation.
- (R) Signifies a reduced rate, or new treatment resulting in reduced rate.

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INDEX OF INCORPORATED VILLAGES, TOWNSHIPS  
AND COUNTIES WITHIN ITS SERVICE EXCHANGE AREA

<u>Exchange</u>	<u>Incorporated Villages</u>	<u>Townships</u>	<u>County</u>
Robbs Creek	None	Alcona Caledonia Hawes Mitchell	Alcona
		Green Ossineke	Alpena
		Rust	Montmorency
		Clinton	Oscoda

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Exchange: ROBBS CREEK

A. GENERAL

1. The provision of service at the rates shown below is subject to the regulations given in the General Rules and Regulations as they now exist and are filed with and form part of this Tariff.
2. The rates shown below entitle the customer (business or residential) to all the monthly services listed in Company's M.P.S.C. No. 31 (R) for the above-mentioned exchange plus:
  - (a) Unlimited data calls and MOU within the Robbs Creek exchange
  - (b) Unlimited Originating Local Calls within Local Calling Area
  - (c) Unlimited toll calling to non-data lines in the following exchanges in Michigan
    - i) Lincoln
    - ii) Fairview
    - iii) Atlanta
    - iv) Hillman
    - v) Lachine
    - vi) Hubbard Lake
  - (d) Right to purchase Warm Line service at 50% of rate stated below for up to three consecutive months once in any calendar year. With Warm Line service, the customers may make 911 calls only.

B. MONTHLY RATES:

<u>Class of Service</u>	
Residence 1-Party Line	\$20.00
Business 1-Party Line	\$20.00

- C. OTHER RATES – The Company will negotiate individual contracts based on a Customers communication needs. This contract will take into account the type of services desired, the volume of those services and the term of those services

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D. EXCHANGE SERVICE AREA - Which is that area described as follows:

Beginning at the Southwest corner, Section 29, T28N, R4E, Clinton Township, Oscoda County, thence north to the Northwest Corner of Section 20, then east to the south 1/4 post Section 17, north to the North 1/4 post of Section 17, east to the Southwest Corner Section 11, north to the Northwest Corner Section 11, west to the Southwest Corner Section 5, north to the Northwest Corner of Section 20, T29N, R4E, Rust Township, Montmorency County, thence east to the east shore of Turtle Lake on north line of Section 24, northeasterly along Turtle Lake to the east line, Section 13, thence north to the south shore of Fletcher Pond at the east line of Section 36, T30N, R4E, thence southerly and northerly along the shore line of Fletcher Pond to the north shore line of Fletcher Pond at the west North/South 1/8 line of Section 16, T30N, R5E, Green Township, Alpena County, north to the north line of Section 4, T30N, R5E, east to the Northeast Corner of Section 3, south to the Southeast Corner of Section 3, east to the north 1/4 post of Section 11, south to the south 1/4 post of Section 26, T30N, R5E, west to the north 1/4 post, Section 34, south to the center of Section 3, T29N, R5E, Ossineke Township, Alpena County, east to the center of Section 2, south to the center of Section 26, east to the center of Section 28, south to the North 1/4 post Section 33, T28N, R6E, Caledonia Township, Alcona County, east to the Northeast Corner of Section 33, T27N, R7E, Alcona Township, Alcona County, south to the West Branch River on the west line of Section 10, T27N, R7E, Hawes Township, Alcona County, northeasterly along the river to the east line of Section 3, thence south to east 1/8 post of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22, thence west to the west 1/8 post of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 23, T27N, R6E, Mitchell Township, Alcona County, thence north to the Northwest Corner of Section 23, west to the south 1/4 post of Section 13, T27N, R5E, north to the center of Section 13, west to the center of Section 14, north to the west 1/8 post of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 2, west to the west 1/8 post of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 3, thence north to the North Line of Section 34, T28N, R5E, Mitchell Township, Alcona County, east to the Little Wolf Creek, Section 30, T28N, R6E, Caledonia Township, Alcona County, thence northly along the Little Wolf Creek to the north line of Section 30, west to the South 1/4 post of Section 22, T28N, R5E, Mitchell Township, Alcona County, north to the East 1/8 post of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, east to the east 1/8 post of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 17, south to the Southeast Corner of Section 29, T28N, R5E, thence west to the point of beginning.

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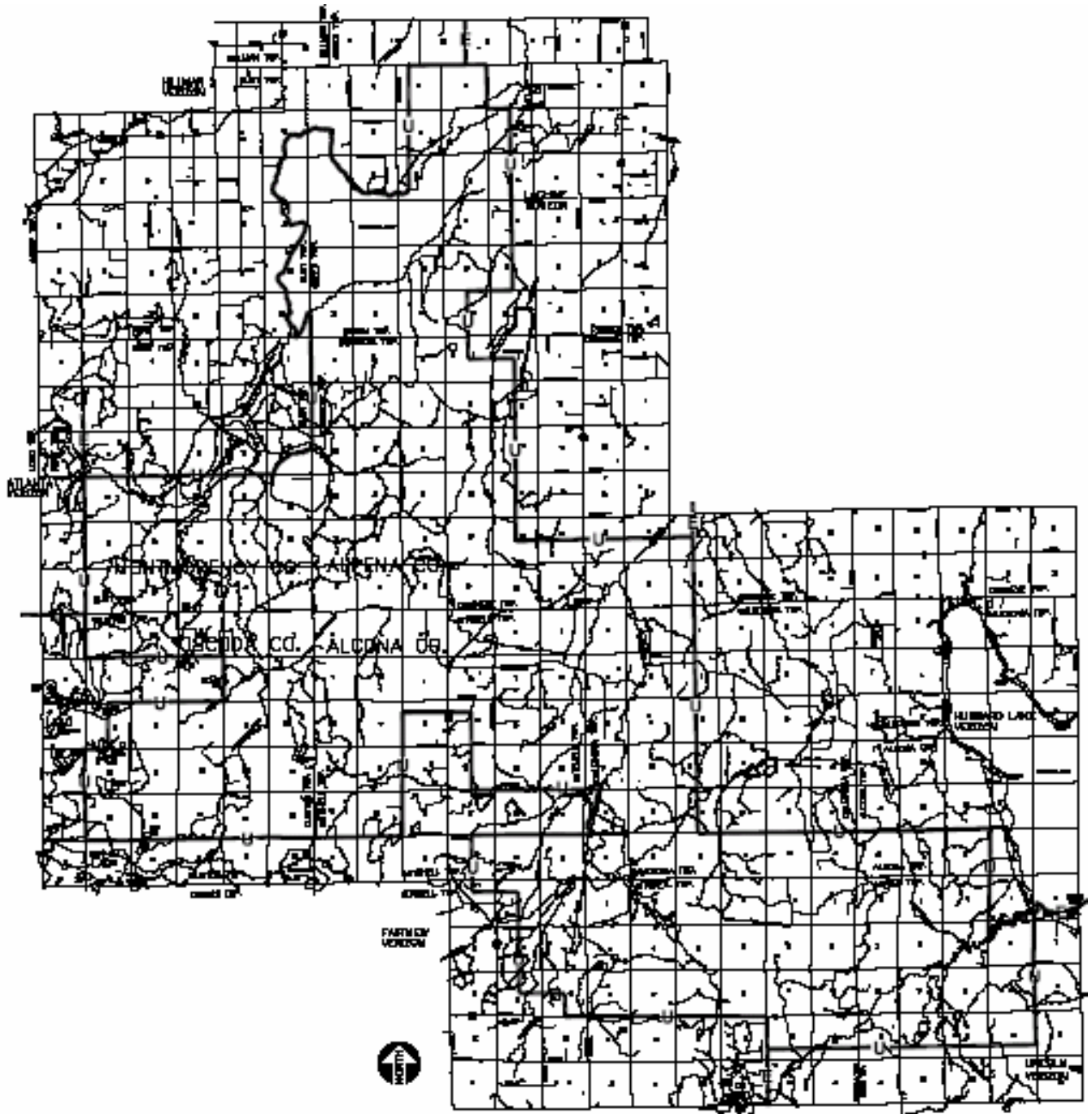
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EXCHANGE SERVICE AREA

Exchange: ROBBS CREEK



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SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGES

A. GENERAL

1. Customer Premises

- a. A premises is a building, portion of a building or buildings on the same continuous property occupied by the customer in the conduct of his business or occupied by the customer as a residence. All space for offices occupied by a customer on the same or separate floors of one building are considered as a single (or same) premises.
  - (1) Same continuous property shall mean an uninterrupted plot of land within the same block and occupied by one customer. Same block is defined as a parcel of land enclosed but uncrossed by public thoroughfares.
  - (2) A building shall mean a structure on one foundation or two structures on separate foundations with a common wall or abutting walls with ready access from one structure to the other by means of doorways or permanent openings through the intervening wall or walls. Structures in the same or different block occupied by one customer and connected by passageways shall be considered as the same building if the passageway is actually used as a continuation of the space in the two buildings and not principally used as a walkway.

2. Additional Conditions

- a. Service charges are in addition to all other applicable rates and charges associated with the service being provided.
  - b. The charges specified herein do not contemplate work being performed by the Company employees at a time when overtime wages apply due to the request of the customer nor do they contemplate work begun being interrupted by the customer. If the customer requests overtime labor being performed or interrupts work once begun, a charge in addition to the specified charges will be made equal to the additional cost involved.
  - c. No service charges apply for a change in equipment or move of equipment if made on the initiative of the Telephone Company for maintenance reasons or because of a change in the type of central office operation or for other Company reasons
3. The Service Charges covered herein are applicable in connection with the establishment of telephone service and subsequent additions of lines and other service.
- a.. Service Ordering Charge
    - (1) The Service Ordering Charge is the charge for work performed by the Telephone Company in connection with receiving, recording and processing of customer requests for service ordered to be performed or provided at the same time, on the same system and on the same premises. The term "per order" means all work or service ordered at the same time for the same account.

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SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGES

A. GENERAL (Continued)

3. (Continued)

b. Line Connection Charge

The Line Connection Charge applies to each central office line (exchange line, trunks, etc) for work required in the central office and outside plant, including restoral of service after temporary disconnection of service for nonpayment.

c. Travel Charge – A Travel Charge applies (in addition to the Line Change Charge) to move a drop at the request of a customer to a new location at the same establishment.

d. Restoral of Service

- (1) Service discontinued by the Telephone Company because of nonpayment, when the service has not been disconnected, is subject to the Restoral of Service Charge.
- (2) When service is rendered inoperative by fire or other causes beyond the control of the customer which render the premises unfit for occupancy, the same service as destroyed will be reestablished at the same or different location, at the option of the customer, without Service or Installation Charge.

B. SERVICE CHARGES

	Business	Residence
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1. Charges

a. Service Ordering Charges

	(1) Initial	\$	ICB	\$		ICB
	(2) Subsequent		ICB			ICB

b. Line Connection Charge

	(1) Per line		ICB			ICB
	(2) Change, per line		ICB			ICB

c. Travel Charge

	ICB	ICB
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d. Restoral of Service

	ICB	ICB
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C. PROMOTIONAL OFFERING

For the period from November 30, 2006 to October 31, 2007, the Company waives the Service Charges related to new services.

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LIFELINE SERVICE

A. DESCRIPTION

1. Lifeline Service applies discounts to monthly recurring rates for qualifying residential customers. These discounts are applied to existing tariffed rates and charges for residential telephone service.
2. In order to be eligible for Lifeline Service a residential customer's household income must be at or below 150% of the poverty level as determined by the United States Office of Management and Budget and as approved by the State Treasurer, or the customer must participate in one of the following federal assistance programs:
  - a. Medicaid
  - b. Food stamps
  - c. Supplemental security income
  - d. Federal public housing assistance
  - e. Low-income home energy assistance program
  - f. National school lunch program's free lunch program
  - g. Temporary assistance for needy families
3. Lifeline Service includes the services and functionalities enumerated in by the F.C.C. as follows: voice grade access to the public switched network; local usage; dual tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; single-party service or its functional equivalent; access to operator services; access to interexchange service; access to directory assistance; and toll blocking for qualifying customers.
4. Other services can be provided with the Lifeline Service at applicable rates and charges.

B. REGULATIONS

1. Regulations specified elsewhere in the Company's tariffs apply to Lifeline Service.
2. Lifeline Service is available only with residence services, excluding foreign exchange service. Lifeline Service is limited to one line per household at the customer's primary residence.
3. A miscellaneous service charge does not apply when Lifeline Service is added or discontinued to existing service when that is the only work being done.
4. a. A discount of 20% of the Basic Local Exchange rate or \$11.25 whichever is greater, on the monthly rate for Basic Local Exchange Service for Lifeline customers is applicable. For Lifeline customers 65 years of age or more, the discount will be 25% of the Basic Local Exchange rate or \$12.35, whichever is greater. The total discount shall not exceed 100% of all end-user common line charges and the Basic Local Exchange rate.

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LIFELINE SERVICE (CONTINUED)

B. REGULATIONS (CONTINUED)

4. (Continued)

- b. The credit will be applied in the following order: (1) The Interstate End User Access Charge, National Exchange Carriers Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, Access Service and (2) The balance of the credit, if any, will be applied as a credit to the Basic Local Exchange rate.
  - c. The Company will provide, at the qualifying customer's option, toll blocking service at no charge. The Company defines toll blocking as a service provided by the Company that lets the customer elect not to allow the completion of outgoing toll calls from their telecommunications channel.
  - d. The Company will not require a service deposit in order to initiate Lifeline Service if the qualifying customer voluntarily elects toll blocking service.
  - e. The Company will not disconnect Lifeline Service for non-payment of toll charges by qualifying customers.
5. The Lifeline plan will apply after receipt and processing of a completed Company or community/government provided application, including documentation indicating that the household income meets the eligibility standards established above.
  6. Customers of Lifeline Service must notify the Company of any changes that would affect qualification. Verification of continued eligibility will take place on an ongoing basis. When the customer is no longer eligible for Lifeline service, the Lifeline discount would be discontinued and regular tariff rates and charges would apply.

C. MONTHLY RATE FOR NON LIFELINE CUSTOMERS

A rate specified in MECA's Tariff M.P.S.C No. 25 Part XVII, Section 17.1.2.1 applies per exchange access line to cover the costs of the Lifeline service, to the Telephone Company intrastate local services as listed below:

- Business
- Residence services excluding Lifeline customers.

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LIFELINE SERVICE (CONTINUED)

D. LINK UP PROGRAM

1. A discount on the line connection charges, specified elsewhere in this tariff, is also available to qualifying customers, for the installation or transfer of service from one residential premise to another.
2. a. In order to be eligible for the Link Up Program, a residential customer's household income must be at or below 150% of the poverty level as determined by the United States Office of Management and Budget and as approved by the State Treasurer, or the customer must participate in one of the following federal assistance programs:
  - i. Medicaid
  - ii. Food stamps
  - iii. Supplemental security income
  - iv. Federal public housing assistance
  - v. Low-income home energy assistance program
  - vi. National school lunch program's free lunch program
  - vii. Temporary assistance for needy families
- b. A qualifying customer may receive a reduction in the installation charges, or transfer of service charges, for connection at the customer's principal place of residence of half the customary charge or \$30.00, whichever is less.
- c. A qualifying customer may then make payments for the connection charges on a deferred schedule in which the qualifying customer does not pay interest. The interest charges not charged to the qualifying customer shall be for connection charges of up to \$200.00 that are deferred for a period not to exceed one year. Charges assessed for installation or transfer of service includes any charges that the Company customarily assesses to connect subscribers to the network. These charges do not include any permissible security deposit requirements.
- d. A qualifying customer may choose one or both of the programs set forth in 2.a. and 2.b. of this section.
- e. A qualifying customer can receive the benefits of the Link Up Program for a second and subsequent time only for a principal place of residence with an address different from the residence address at which the Link Up assistance was provided previously.

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FEDERAL PROGRAMS

1. UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT FOR LIBRARIES AND SCHOOLS

1. In accordance with 1997 PA 95 of the Michigan Telecommunications Act, and 47 CFR 54.500 *et seq.*, eligible elementary and secondary schools shall receive intrastate services at discounts equal to the discounts applicable for eligible interstate services if the Company receives federal universal support for such telecommunication services.
2. In accordance with 1997 PA 96 of the Michigan Telecommunications Act, and 47 CFR 54.500 *et seq.*, eligible libraries shall receive intrastate services at discounts equal to the discounts applicable for eligible interstate services if the Company receives federal universal support for such telecommunication services.
3. Eligibility for discounts shall be determined in accordance with 47 CFR 54.500 *et seq.*

2. UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

1. In accordance with 47 CFR 54.601 *et seq.*, the Company shall offer services to eligible health care providers to the extent that facilities and services are available.
2. Eligibility qualifications, provider selection, etc. shall be determined in accordance with 47 CFR 54.601 *et seq.*
3. Services to eligible health care providers at reduced rates will be offered in accordance with 47 CFR 54.601 *et seq.*
4. Reduced rates to eligible health care providers are available only to the extent that adequate funding is available from the federal universal support fund.

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