

Block 12: Netting Disbursement Payments Against Federal Universal Service Contribution Obligations

See Instruction Section III.M

In accordance with FCC rule Part 54.515, USAC will offset service provider Schools and Libraries Support Mechanism payments against the provider's Federal universal service contribution obligation at the provider's request. In addition, the Rural Health Care Support Mechanism distribution FCC rule Part 54.611, states that service provider Rural Health Care Support Mechanism payments must be netted; this is mandatory for participation in the Rural Health Care Support Mechanism. ONLY telecommunications companies that have their FCC Form 499 Filer ID number may participate. If you provide telecommunications services and do not have an FCC Form Filer ID number, visit www.universalservice.org/forms and select FCC Form 499. This is NOT required in order to be issued a SPIN.

116 Yes, I want my Schools and Libraries Support Mechanism disbursement payments to offset against my Federal universal service contribution obligations. This box must be checked in order to receive offsets. The default is "No."

Block 13: Principal Communications Business Code [REQUIRED Field]

See Instruction Section III.N

CAP - Competitive Access Provider/ Competitive Local Exchange Carrier	OTHM - Other Mobile
CEL - Cellular/PCS/SMR	OTHT - Other Toll
DAT - Wireless Data	PAG - Paging/Messaging
ISP - Internet Service Provider	PAY - Payphone Service Provider
IXC - Interexchange Carrier	PRE - Pre-paid Card
LEC - Incumbent Local Exchange Provider	PRIV - Private Sector Provider
LRES - Local reseller	SAT - Satellite
NTP - Non-Traditional Provider	SMR - SMR dispatch
OSP - Operator Service	TEN - Shared Tenant Service Provider
OTHL - Other Local	TRES - Toll Reseller

Choose ONE code from the list above. Enter Here.

Block 14: Authorized Contact Signature [All Fields REQUIRED]

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I understand that both the General Contact and an officer of the company **must** sign below for a new SPIN application. Only the General Contact or an officer of the company is authorized to make revisions to an existing FCC Form 498. No other persons are permitted to make changes to this information. I certify that I am authorized to submit this FCC Form 498 on behalf of the above-named service provider, and certify to the best of my knowledge that data set forth in this form is true, accurate, and complete. Incomplete information or incorrect filling of this form will result in it being returned to the General Contact and the form will not be processed. A certification letter on company letterhead must be attached with the FCC Form 498 (Found on page 19 of instructions). Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture, under the Communications Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. secs. 220(e), 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1001.

Signature of General Contact			Date
First:	Middle Initial:	Last:	
Printed Name			
Title			E-mail address
Signature of the Company Officer			Date
First:	Middle Initial:	Last:	
Printed Name			
Title			E-mail address

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Notice: The Federal Communications Commission (the Commission) has designated the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) as administrator of Federal universal service. One of the functions of USAC is to provide a mechanism for the billing, collection, and disbursement of funds for the various Federal universal service support mechanisms. In an effort to implement these requirements and obligations, the Commission has adopted this collection of information. Pursuant to the Commission rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.301, 54.303, 54.307, 54.309, 54.311, 54.407, 54.413, 54.515, 54.611, 54.702, 54.802, and 54.902, USAC must obtain information relating to service provider name and address, telephone number, Federal employee identification number, contact names and telephone numbers, and billing and collection information. Each service provider receiving Federal universal service support from the High Cost, Low Income, Rural Health Care, or Schools and Libraries Support Mechanisms, should complete the FCC Form 498. USAC will use this information in administering the billing, collections, and disbursement operations of the Federal universal service programs.

Reminder: You are not required to respond to a collection of information sponsored by the Federal government, and the government may not conduct or sponsor this collection, unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. This collection has been assigned an OMB control number of 3060-0824.

The Commission is authorized under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to collect the information we request in this form. We will use the information you provide for the Federal universal service billing, collections, and disbursement purposes. If we believe there may be a violation or a potential violation of a state or Federal statute, or of a Commission regulation, rule, or order, your form may be referred to the Federal, state, or local agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or implementing the statute, rule, regulation, or order. In certain cases, the information in your application may be disclosed to the Department of Justice, a court, or adjudicative body when (a) the Commission; or (b) any employee of the Commission; or (c) the United States Government is a party of a proceeding before the body or has an interest in the proceeding. In addition, consistent with the Communications Act of 1934, FCC regulations and orders, the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, or other applicable law, information provided in or submitted with this form or in response to subsequent inquiries may be disclosed to the public.

If you owe a past due debt to the Federal government, the information you provide may also be disclosed to the Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service, other Federal agencies, and/or your employer to offset your salary, IRS tax refund, or other payments to collect that debt. The Commission may also provide the information to these agencies through the matching of computer records where authorized.

If you do not provide the information we request on the form, the Commission may delay processing of your application, or may return your application without action.

This Notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq. We have estimated that each response to this collection of information will take, on average, 2 hours. Our estimate includes the time to read the instructions, look through existing records, gather and maintain the required data, and actually complete and review the form for response. If you have any comments on this estimate, or how we can improve the collections and reduce the burden it causes you, please write to the Federal Communications Commission, AMD-PERM, Washington D.C. 20554, Paperwork Reduction Project (3060-0824). We will also accept your comments via Internet if you send them to JBoley@fcc.gov. Please DO NOT SEND COMPLETED DATA COLLECTION FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS.

Mail this form and a signed letter of authorization to:

**USAC Billing and Disbursement Department
2000 L Street, N.W., Suite 200
Attn: FCC Form 498
Washington, DC 20036**

Questions?

See the Form 498 Instructions found at www.universalservice.org/forms

Use this form for:

- First time application for SPIN.
- Revisions to existing Form 498. Submit the Form 498 with the General Information completed, along with any new information to be changed/updated.
- Consolidation of multiple SPINs into one SPIN due to a merger, acquisition, or consolidation of companies. Include supporting documentation of the consolidation with the completed Form 498 for each company affected.
- Ending participation in the High Cost, Low Income, Rural Health Care, or Schools and Libraries Support Mechanisms. Complete the General Information section and attach a letter with a brief explanation of the reason for ending participation, along with appropriate documentation in accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 54.205 if relinquishing high cost or low income universal service support.