FCC Form 499-Q Basics Webinar

October 8, 2020

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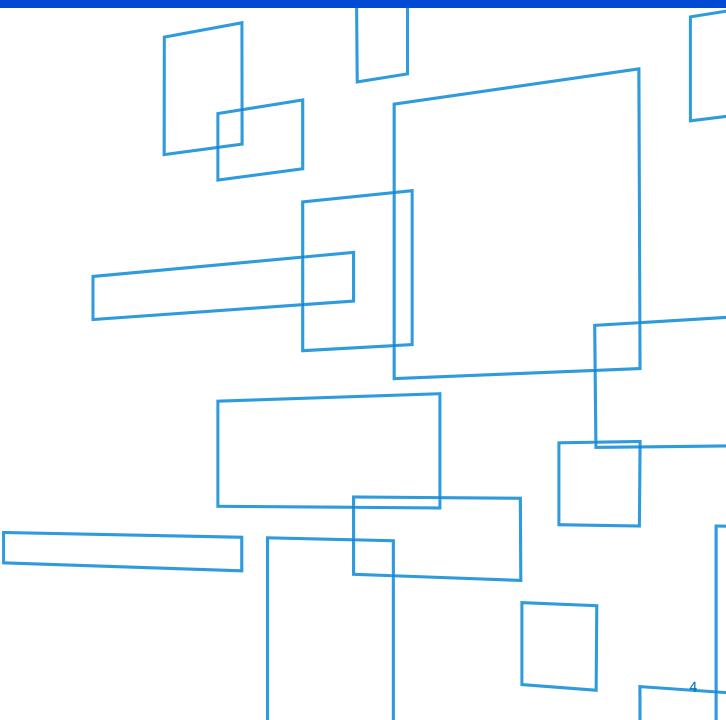
Today's Presenter

Michelle Gagnon Senior Telecom Industry Analyst

Ms Gagnon is a member of the 499 team that reviews the contributor FCC Forms 499, analyzes revenue reporting and manages the contributor communication needs.

Webinar Overview

In this webinar, designed for new 499 filers, we'll cover the basics of the 499-Q form and how to submit one.



Topics

Notes for the November Q

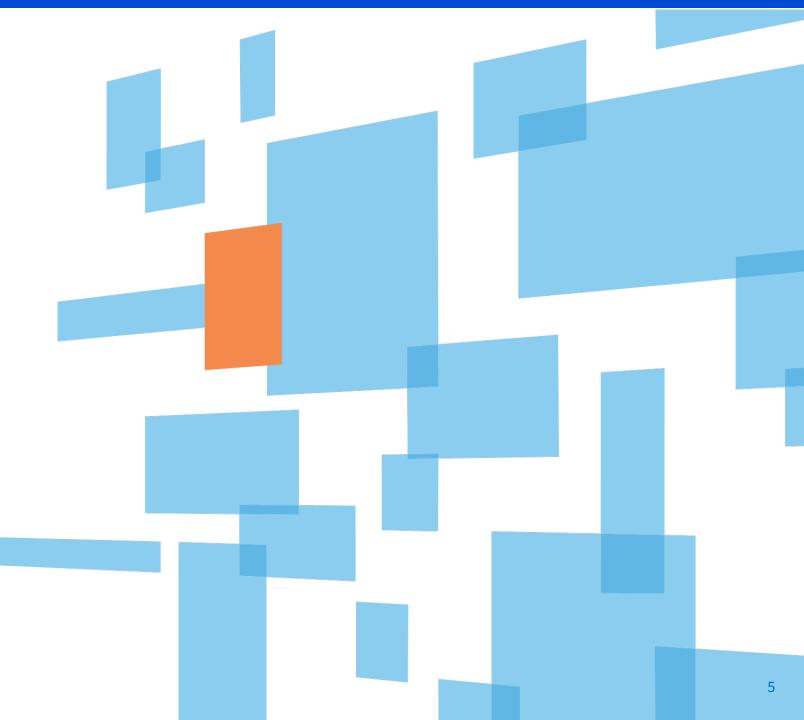
Who Files

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When to File

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November 499-Q Notes

- 1. The November FCC Form 499-Q must be filed by <u>Monday, November 2, 2020</u>
 - Revisions must be completed by <u>Thursday</u>, <u>December 17, 2020</u>.
- 2. This 499-Q is your first estimate for revenues in calendar year 2021, reported on Lines 119 & 120 of the 499-Q form.
- 3. If you plan on changing your method for determining interstate revenues from Safe Harbor to a traffic study or actuals, this is the form you should make the change on, to be reflected for the entire calendar year 2021.
- 4. For calendar year 2020, filers that bill less than **\$52,318.66** of combined interstate and international revenues will be considered *de minimis* for 2020. This is not an estimate, this is the final number.
- REMINDER! Filers are no longer required to email USAC their quarterly traffic studies..... *however* you need to save them and submit as documentation to support your jurisdictional breakout on the 2021 FCC Form 499-A (next year's form).

Quarterly Filers

Who is Required to File the 499-Q

Types of FCC Form 499

FCC Form 499-A

- 1. Required for all filers
- 2. The <u>FCC Form 499-A</u> is the annual form used to report the company's *actual* revenue billed during the <u>prior</u> calendar year.
- **3.** The FCC Form 499-A is due annually on April 1.

FCC Form 499-Q

- 1. Required for all non-*de minimis* filers
- 2. The <u>FCC Form 499-Q</u> is used to *project* or *forecast* the company's revenue for the <u>next</u> calendar quarter.
- **3.** The FCC Form 499-Q due dates:
 - February 1
 - May 1
 - August 1
 - November 1

ALL FCC Forms must be submitted online through E-File. Paper copies are not accepted.

Who Must File

- 1. Every <u>non</u> *de minimis* telecommunications company <u>must</u> file the FCC Form 499-Q.
- 2. *De minimis* filers are not required to file the FCC Form 499-Q, but they are requested to email USAC each quarter to notify of their continued *de minimis* status for the upcoming quarter.
 - Send the email to 'Form499@usac.org'
 - Include your Filer ID, Company name and the reporting period (i.e February 499-Q) for which you
 expect to be *de minimis*.

So the key question is - what exactly is a *de minimis* company??

Definition of *de minimis*

A filer qualifies for *de minimis* status for a given calendar year when the revenue reported on its corresponding FCC Form 499-A is such that the calculated annual contribution to the federal Universal Service Fund is less than \$10,000.

Which leads to the question, "How do I know what my annual contribution will be for a quarter?"

Looking at it from a REVENUE standpoint, USAC can only "guestimate" (based on the FCC estimation factor)what the *de minimis* revenue threshold will be for calendar year 2021, as we don't know the contribution rates in 2021 will be yet.

For calendar year 2020, filers that billed less than **\$52,318.66** of combined interstate and international telecommunication revenues will be considered *de minimis* for 2020.

◇ This is not an estimate, as the contribution factors for calendar year 2020 are all final.

The FCC Form 499-Q includes a table to help you determine your status each quarter.

Help determining "de minimis" status

Included in the instructions for every FCC Form 499-Q is a table (Figure 1) designed to help the filer determine if they are *de minimis* or not.

Prior to completing the table, you must 'manually' fill out a 499-Q, because the revenue numbers reported on your draft copy will be used to complete the table.

Complete the table in Figure 1 of the 2020 FCC Form 499-Q instructions to determine if your projections qualify you as a *de minimis* filer for the upcoming quarter.

Note: Actual contribution factors for future quarters may increase or decrease depending on quarterly changes in program costs and the contribution base.

IMPORTANT: *IF* the actual Contribution Factor exceeds the *Estimation* factor (.212) for a quarter you may receive an invoice from USAC, unless you have sent an email during the 499-Q open period notifying us that the company expects to be *de minimis*.

Let's look at the Figure 1.

| | | Figure 1 Table to determine if a contributor meets the <i>de minimis</i> standard | I |
|---|----|---|---|
| | | for purposes of universal service contribution during 2020 | |
| | 1 | Interstate contribution base for the quarter for filer (amount reportable on filer's FCC Form 499-Q; Line 120(b)) | \$ |
| Ì | 2 | International contribution base for the quarter for filer (amount reportable on filer's FCC Form 499-O: Line 120(c)) | \$ |
| | 3 | Interstate contribution base for the quarter for all affiliates* (total of amounts reportable on FCC Form 499-Q; Line 120(b) for all affiliates of the filer) | \$ |
| | 4 | International contribution base for the quarter for all affiliates (total of amounts reportable on FCC Form 499-O: Line 120(c) for all affiliates of the filer) | \$ |
| | 5 | Consolidated interstate contribution base: Line (1) + Line (3) | s |
| | 6 | Consolidated international contribution base: Line (2) + Line (4) | s |
| I | 7 | Total potential contribution base for filer and its affiliates: Line (5) + Line (6) | S |
| ĺ | 8 | Combined interstate contribution base as a percentage of total potential contribution base: Line (5) / Line (7) | % |
| ĺ | 9 | Interstate contribution base for filer from Line (1) | \$ |
| | 10 | If the amount in Line (8) is equal to or greater than 12%, enter into Line (10) | \$ |
| | | the international contribution base for the filer from Line (2). If the amount on | |
| ł | 11 | Line (8) is less than 12%, enter \$0 (See 4 / CFR § 34. /00(c)) Revenue base for the filer for the quarter for determining contributions to | \$ |
| | 11 | universal service support mechanisms: Line (0) + Line (10) | \$ |
| | 12 | If the projected revenues on Lines (1) and (2) include projected pass-through charges for contributions to federal universal service support mechanisms, enter the total amount of projected pass-through charges. If the projected revenues on Lines (1) and (2) do not include any universal service pass-through charges, enter \$0. | S |
| l | 13 | Contribution base; Line (11) - Line (12) | S |
| [| 14 | Annualizing multiplier | 4 |
| [| 15 | Annualized contribution base; Line (13) multiplied by Line (14) | |
| | 16 | 2020 Estimation factor for determining whether to file a 499-O | 0. 212** |
| | 17 | Estimated annual contribution: amount in Line (15) multiplied by Line (16) | \$ |
| | * | Unless otherwise specifically provided, an affiliate is a "person that (directly or ind controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with For this purpose, the term 'owns' means to own an equity interest (or the equivalent than 10 percent. See 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). | h, another person." |
| | ** | The estimation factor is based on a contribution factor of 0.270, which is higher th factor announced for any quarter of 2019, and a corresponding circularity factor of public notices announcing the quarterly contribution factors are available at http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/contribution-factor-quarterly-filings-universal-management-support. <u>Note:</u> Actual contribution factors for future quarters may increase or decrease dep changes in program costs and the contribution base. Filers whose actual contribut total less than \$10,000 for the calendar year will be treated as <i>de minimis</i> and will necessary. Filers whose actual contribution requirements total \$10,000 or more ar contribute to the universal service support mechanisms and must file this Workshe | f 0.212355. The -service-fund-usf- ending on quarterly ion requirements receive refunds, if re required to |

499-Q Figure 1*

Lines 3 & 4 report revenue for affiliates

Lines 5 & 6 report consolidated revenue

Lines 8 & 10 are used to determine if a carrier is LIRE (mainly international usage)

Line 12 is used to back out any federal USF you invoice your customers (this would be included in lines 1 & 2, but not included in base)

If Line 17 results in \$10,000 or less, then you are *de minimis*.

*Table extracted from 2020 FCC Form 499-Q, page 5

Form 499-Q

Understanding the Sections

Find the Form 499-Q

Navigate to USAC's website: www.usac.org

Hover over *Service Providers* From the top right hand of page

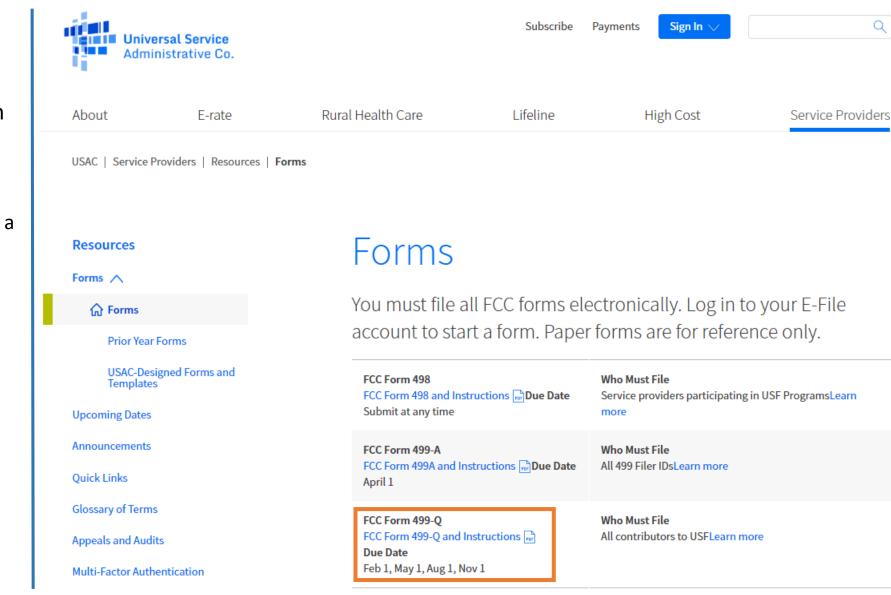
Select *Forms* from under the *Resources* section

| About | E-rate | Rural Health Care | Lifeline High Cost | Service Providers |
|---|--------|---|--|--------------------------|
| Contributing to the Who Must Contribute | | Making Payments How to Pay | Participating in a USF Program Register for a 498 ID | Learn Webinars |
| Register for a 499 ID Manage Your 499 ID | | Contribution Factors Invoices | Manage Your 498 ID Disbursement Schedules | Videos FAQs |
| Forms to File When to File | | Late Payments, DCIA, Red Light Billing Disputes | DATA Act | Contact Us |
| What to Expect After Making Revisions | Filing | Credit Balance Refunds Annual True Up Process | Resources Forms Upcoming Dates | |
| | | Non-USAC Payments Request Invoice Copy | Announcements Quick Links | |

Find the Form 499-Q

The paper copy of the instructions as well as the form itself are the 3rd form listed in the section 'FCC Forms'.

Click on the name to open up a .pdf document.



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Paper Form 499-Q

| FCC Form 499-Q Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet Approval by OM | |
|---|---|
| Quarterly Filing for Universal Service Contributors > Please read instructions before completing < 3060-0855 | |
| Block 1: Contributor Identification Information 101 Filer 499 ID 102 Legal name of reporting entity | |
| 102 Degn name of reporting entry 103 Filer's IRS employer identification number | |
| 104 Name telecommunications provider is doing business as | |
| 105 Affiliated Filers Name Check if filer has no affiliates: | |
| [All affiliated companies should show same name here. In most cases, the Affiliated Filers Name will be the holding company name | Company Identification and Contact Info |
| Animale Tries Tome Win of the foreign Conling Conling Trime 105.1 A filiate Filers Name IRS employer identification number [Enter 9 digit number] | Company Identification and Contact Info |
| 106 Filer's FCC Registration Number (FRN) [Enter 10 digit number] | |
| 107 Complete mailing address of reporting entity's corporate headquarters | |
| Block 2: Contact Information | |
| 108 Person who completed this worksheet First MI Last | |
| 109 Telephone number of this person () - 110 Fax number of this person () - | |
| 110 Fusi of this person | |
| 112 Billing address and billing contact person: | |
| [Bills for Universal Service contributions | |
| will be sent to this address.] | |
| 113 Indicate which Filing due Historical revenues (lines 115-118) for Projected revenues (lines 119-120) for | Reporting Period |
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| May 1, 2021 January 1 – March 31, 2021 July 1 – September 30, 2021 | |
| August 1, 2021 April 1 – June 30, 2021 October 1 – December 31, 2021 | Safa Harbor designation (Line 114) |
| Cellular & broadband PCS: Paging: Analog SMR: Interconnected VoIP: I | Safe Harbor designation (Line 114) |
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| incollectibles. See Instructions provided to other universal service (a) (b) (c) | |
| contributors for resale as telecommunications or as interconnected VoIP | Historical revenue reporting (Lines 115-117) |
| 116 End-user telecommunications revenues including any pass- through charges for universal service contributions, but | |
| excluding international-to-international revenues | |
| 117 All other goods and services Column (b) and (c) not requested | |
| 118 Gross-billed revenues from all sources (sum of above) for Lines 117 and 118 | |
| 119 Projected gross-billed end-user interstate and international telecommunications revenues including any pass-through charges for universal service contributions, but excluding | ← Projected revenue reporting (Lines 119 & 120) |
| international-to-international revenues | |
| 120 Projected collected end-user interstate and international telecommunications revenues including any pass-through charges for universal service contributions, but excluding | |
| international constructional resources of a service constructions, our electromity | |
| Block 4: CERTIFICATION: to be signed by an officer of the reporting entity | |
| 121 I certify that the revenue data contained herein are privileged and confidential and that public disclosure of such information | |
| would likely cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the company. I request nondisclosure of the revenue | |
| information contained herein pursuant to sections 0.459, 52.17, 54.711 and 64.604 of the Commission's Rules. I certify that I am an officer of the above-named reporting entity, that I have examined the foregoing report and to the best of my knowledge, information | and _ |
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| the quarter and that the projections of gross-billed and collected revenues represent a good-faith estimate based on company procedures and policies. | Signature and Certification |
| 122 Signature | |
| 123 Printed name of officer First MI Last | |
| 124 Position with reporting entity | |
| 125 Email of officer (Required if available) | |
| 126 Date | |
| 127 This filing is: Original filing Original filing Revised filing [revisions due within 45 days of original filing deadline] | |
| Do not mail checks with this form. File this form online https://forms.universalservice.org/portal/login For additional information regarding this worksheet contact: Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet Info: (888)641-8722 or via smail: Form 499@usac.org | |
| PERSONS WILLFULLY MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS IN THE WORKSHEET CAN BE PUNISHED BY FINE OR IMPRISONMENT UNDER TITLE 18 OF THE UNITED STATES | ODE, |
| 18 U.S.C. §1001 | |

FCC Form 499-Q /October 2020

Save time, avoid problems - file electronically at http://forms.universalservice.org

Filing Calendar

When to File the 499-Q

2020 When To File

| Due Date | Revenue Reported | Revision Deadline | Contributor Invoice |
|-------------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| February 3, 2020* | 2Q projected 2020 4Q revenue 2019 | March 19, 2020 | April – June 2020 |
| April 1, 2020 | Prior year: 2019 January - February | April 1, 2021 | July 2020 |
| May 1, 2020 | 3Q projected 2020 1Q revenue 2020 | June 15, 2020 | July – September 2020 |
| August 3, 2020* | 4Q projected 2020 2Q revenue 2020 | September 17, 2020 | October – December 2020 |
| November 2, 2020* | 1Q projected 2021 3Q revenue 2020 | December 17, 2020 | January – March 2021 |

* When a form due date falls on a weekend or holiday, the form is due the following business day.

When To File

Filing Dates – from the FCC Form 499-Q

| Block 3: Contributor Historical and Projected Revenue Information | | | | | |
|---|------------------|---|--|--|--|
| 113 Indicate which | Filing due | Historical revenues (lines 115-118) for | Projected revenues (lines 119-120) for | | |
| quarterly filing this represents | November 1, 2020 | July 1 – September 30, 2020 | January 1 – March 31, 2021 | | |
| | February 1, 2021 | October 1 – December 31, 2020 | April 1 – June 30, 2021 | | |
| | May 1, 2021 | January 1 – March 31, 2021 | July 1 – September 30, 2021 | | |
| | August 1, 2021 | April 1 – June 30, 2021 | October 1 – December 31, 2021 | | |

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Filing Online

Accessing through E-File

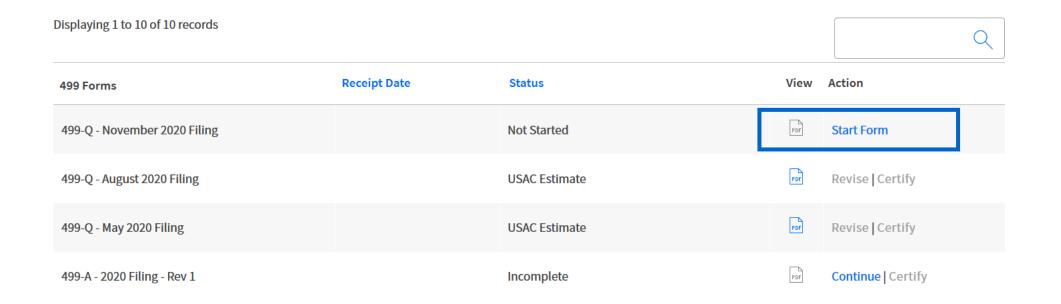
- Make sure your internet browser's 'pop up blocker' is **OFF**.
 - The system opens a new window to display the data entry screen for the FCC Form 499-Q.
 - If you have clicked 'Create New Form' and you don't see a new, smaller window you most likely have the pop-ups blocked.
- Please ensure these email addresses from USAC don't go to your SPAM folder!
 - Important USAC communication comes from the following emails
 - ✓ 'form499@usac.org'
 - ✓ 'CustomerSupport@usac.org'
 - ✓ 'form499@universalservice.org'
- Not sure if you are *de minimis* or not? FILE the form anyway!
 - We would rather have you report your revenues than us having to estimate on your behalf.

Once logged in to E-File, the new service provider portal will appear. Only systems in which you have authorization to access will appear. In this example, the user can only access the 498 ID and the 499 Filer ID. Select 'Manage FCC Forms 499'.

| Universal Service Administrative Co. | | | Sign Out |
|--|--|---|--|
| Dashboard | | | bcddca@usac.com ∨ |
| 💾 Upcoming Dates | Service Providers | ^ | Help? |
| 03/19 2020 February FCC Form 499-Q Revision Deadline | Manage FCC Forms 498 - Provide contact and banking information for entities that receive support from universal service programs, manage authorized users. | | Send us a message Click here Call us |
| 04/01FCC Form 499-A 2020 Due | Manage FCC Forms 499 - Report revenue on FCC Forms 499, make USF payments, view payment history, download invoice summary and manage | 2 | (888) 641-8722 |
| 05/01 FCC Form 499- 2020 Q Due | users. | | |

Using the new E-File navigation system, navigate to the Filer ID that you wish to work on. Scroll to the bottom of the screen and summary view of the FCC Form 499s.

To enter the November 499-Q, select 'Start Form' action from right hand side at end of the row.



Block 1: Contributor Identification Information will be prepopulated. If the data does not have a field box, you cannot change it.

| USAC Universal Service Administrative Company® | |
|---|--|
| FCC Form 499-Q - Data Entry Form >>> Please read inst Juarterly Filing for Universal Service Contributors | Structions before completing Preview Form Form 499 Q [Nov 2019] Form 499 Q [Nov 2019] Iy. Please Do Not Print this Form ** Form 499 Q [Nov 2019] |
| Block 1: Contributor Identification Information | |
| 101. Filer 499 ID | 889993 |
| 102. Legal name of reporting entity | USAC Test Amy |
| 103. Filer's IRS employer identification number | 12-3456789 |
| 104. Name telecommunications provider is doing business as | USAC Test Amy |
| 105. Affiliated Filers Name/Holding Company Name [All affiliated companies should show same name here. In most cases, the Affiliated Filers Name will be the holding company name.] | Check if filer has no affiliations |
| 105.1 Affiliated Filers Name/Holding Company Name IRS employer identification number | 21-1234567 |
| 106. Filer's FCC Registration Number (FRN) | 0006-7777-75 |
| 107. Complete mailing address of reporting entity's corporate headquarters Do you want to enter foreign address? ○ Yes ● No Street 1: PO Box 135 Street 2: Floor 2 Street 3: Space 5 Tip: 15664 234 | 45 |

Block 2: Contact Information will also be prepopulated.

- This section contains the name, phone number and email of the person preparing the form.
- It also contains the billing contact name and the billing address. USAC sends out paper copies of their invoice. If this address needs to be updated, you can do that here.

| Block 2: Contact Information | | | | |
|--|---|---------------------|-------|--|
| 108. Person who completed this worksheet | MI: | Amy Smith | | |
| 109. Telephone number of this person | | (202) 772-5678 | Ext | |
| 110. Fax number of this person | | (999)999-9999 | | |
| 111. Email of this person | | AmyOfficer@test.com | | |
| 112. Billing address and billing contact person [Bills for Universal Service contributio | 112. Billing address and billing contact person [Bills for Universal Service contributions will be sent to this address.] | | | |
| Do you want to enter foreign address? 🔍 Yes 💿 No | | | | |
| Street 1 : PO Box 135 | First : Manny | | | |
| Street 2 : room 5 | Last : Notes | | | |
| Street 3 : 1B2L | Phone : (678)444- | 5555 | Ext 0 | |
| City : Mana | Fax: (202)444- | 8888 | | |
| State : PA 🔻 | E-Mail : amyuser@tes | st.com | | |
| Zip : 20036 1234 Country: United States | | | | |

Block 3:

- This section contains the revenue, both past and predicted.
- USAC uses the revenues reported on Line 120 to calculate your support mechanism charges (USF)

| Block 3: Contributor Historical and Projected Revenue Information | |
|---|---|
| November 1, 2019 February 1, 2020 July 1 - Se October 1 | revenues (lines 115-118) forProjected revenues (lines 119-120) fortember 31, 2019January 1 - March 31, 2020December 31, 2019April 1 - June 30, 2020March 31, 2020July 1 - September 30, 2020e 30, 2020October 1 - December 31, 2020 |
| 114. Check if using safe harbor to allocate intersate/intrastate revenues for each of the following (as applicable): | Cellular and Broadband 🔍 Paging 🔍 Analog SMR 🗹 Interconnected VolP |
| Historical billed revenues with no allowance or deductions for uncollectables. See instructions. | Total RevenuesInterstate RevenuesInternational Revenuesin \$ (a)in \$ (b)in \$ (c) |
| 115. Telecommunications provided to other universal service contributors for resale as telecommunications or as interconnected VoIP | 499-A Translation - Carrier's carrier revenue, Lines 303-314 |
| 116. End-user telecommunications revenues including any pass-through charges for universal service contributions, but excluding international-to-international revenues | 499-A Translation – End User only – Lines 403-417 |
| 117. All other goods and services | 499-A Translation – NON telecommunications Line 418 |
| 118. Gross-billed revenues from all sources [sum of above] | \$0.00 |
| 119. Projected gross-billed end-user interstate and international telecommunications revenues including any pas through charges for universal service contributions, but excluding international-to-international revenues | 499-A Translation – End User only – Lines 403-417 |
| 120. Projected collected end-user interstate and international telecommunications revenues including any pass- through charges for universal service contributions, but excluding international-to-international revenues | \$0.00 |

Projected

Historical

| 114. Check if using safe harbor to allocate intersate/intrastate revenues for each of the following (as applicable): | Cellular and Broadband | d 🗆 Paging 🗆 Analog | Interconnected VoIP |
|--|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Historical billed revenues with no allowance or deductions for uncollectables. See instructions. | Total Revenues in \$ (a) | Interstate Revenues in \$ (b) | nternational Revenues in \$ (c) |
| 115. Telecommunications provided to other universal service contributors for resale as telecommunications or as interconnected VoIP | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| 116. End-user telecommunications revenues including any pass-through charges for universal service contributions, but excluding international-to-international revenues | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| 117. All other goods and services | \$0.00 | \$0.00 Column (b) and (c) not requested for Lines 117 and 118 | |
| 118. Gross-billed revenues from all sources [sum of above] | \$0.00 | | |
| 119. Projected gross-billed end-user interstate and international telecommunications revenues including any pass-through charges for universal service contributions, but excluding international-to-international revenues | | \$270,000.00 | \$0.00 |
| 120. Projected collected end-user interstate and international telecommunications revenues including any pass-through charges for universal service contributions, but excluding international-to-international revenues | | \$270,000.00 | \$0.00 |
| | | | |

Submitting the FCC Form 499-Q

Block 4: Certification - can only be completed by a the Company Officer designated in the E-File system.

- Make certain that the information is the same. (in other words, don't change it here!)
- Enter today's date on Line 126.
- To proceed click on 'Click here to Preview and Certify the form'

| Block | lock 4: CERTIFICATION: to be signed by an officer of the reporting entity | | | | |
|----------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | I certify that the revenue data contained herein are privileged and confidential and that public disclosure of such information would likely cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the company. I request nondisclosure of the revenue information contained herein pursuant to sections 0.459, 52.17, 54.711 and 64.604 of the Commission's Rules. | | | | |
| | I certify that I am an officer of the above-named reporting entity, that I have examined the foregoing report and to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, all statements of fact contained in this Worksheet are true, that said Worksheet is an accurate statement of the affairs of the above-named company for the quarter and that the projections of gross-billed and collect revenues represent a good-faith estimate based on company procedures and policies. | | | | |
| 122. | Signature | | | | |
| | *******Data Entry Purpose Only. Ple | ease Do Not Print this Form******* | | | |
| 123. | Printed name of officer MI: | Amy Smith | | | |
| 124. | Position with reporting entity | President | | | |
| 125. | Email of officer (Required if available) | AmyOfficer@test.com | | | |
| 126. | Date | 3/12/2019 | | | |
| 127. | This filing is: | Original Filing Revised Filing [revisions due within 45 days of original filing deadline] | | | |
| For addi | o not mail checks with this form. Send this form to: Form 499 Data Collection Agent c/o USAC 700 12th Street, N.W. Suite 900 Washington DC 20005 or additional information regarding this worksheet contact: Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet Info: (888)641-8722 or via e-mail: Form499@universalservice.org PERSONS WILLFULLY MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS IN THE WORKSHEET CAN BE PUNISHED BY FINE OR IMPRISONMENT UNDER TITLE 18 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, 18 U.S.C. §1001 | | | | |
| | Save Form Click here to Preview and Certify the form | | | | |

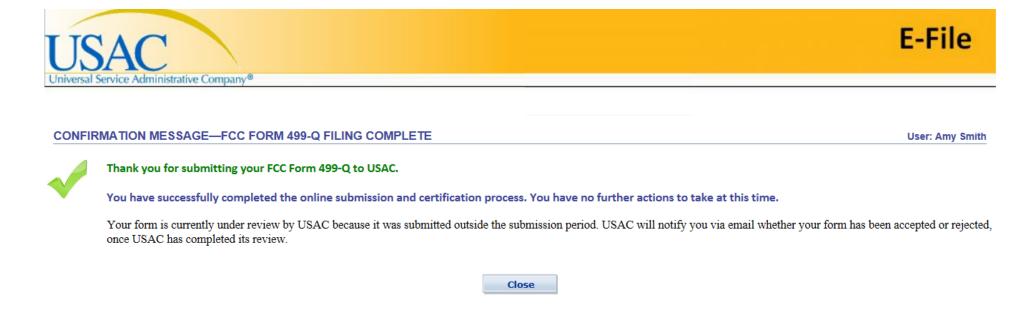
Submitting the FCC Form 499-Q

A preview screen with the FCC Form 499-Q populated with the contact information along with the revenue will appear. Review the form and print a copy if needed. Use the scroll bar on the right hand side to view all of the form. At the bottom, you have the option to either 'Edit Form' or 'Certify'.

| revenues including any pass-through charge excluding international-to-international reven | s for universal service contributions, but | \$6,000.00 | \$0.00 |
|--|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Block 4: CERTIFICATION: to be signed by an officer 121 I certify that the revenue data contained here would likely cause substantial harm to the co- information contained herein pursuant to sec | in are privileged and confidential and that ompetitive position of the company. I reque | est nondisclosure of the rev | |
| I certify that I am an officer of the above-named rep information and belief, all statements of fact contain the above-named company for the quarter and that based on company procedures and policies. | ed in this Worksheet are true, that said W | orksheet is an accurate sta | tement of the affairs of |
| 122 Signature | | | |
| 123 Printed name of officer | First Amy MI | Last Smith | = |
| 124 Position with reporting entity | President | | |
| 125 Email of officer (Required if available) | AmyOfficer@test.com | | |
| 126 Date | 3/12/2019 | | |
| 127 This filing is: Original filing | Revised filing [revisions due within 45 | days of original filing dead | line] |
| Do not mail checks with this form. Send this form to: Form For additional information regarding this worksheet contact | | | |
| Persons willfully making false statements in the wor | ksheet can be punished by fine or imprisonment | under Title 18 of the united St/ | ATES CODE, 18 U.S.C. §1001 |
| 1.00 have time, avoid problems file electronically at | http://forms.universalservice.org | | FCC Form 499-Q/February 2019 |
| | Edit Form Certify | | ~ |

Successful Submission

A confirmation message will appear on the screen.



An <u>email message</u> will also be sent to the Company Officer that signed the form.

A second email message will be sent when the Form 499-Q is 'Approved by USAC'.

9/27/2019

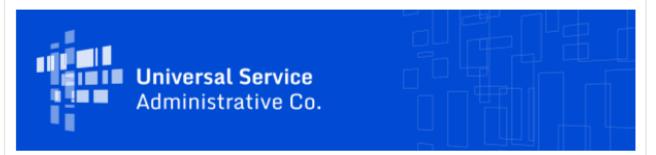
RegenerateEmailPopup

From: form499@usac.org

Sent: 7/31/2019 1:35:55 PM

To: akavelman@usac.org

Subject: ALERT: August 2019 499-Q IMPORTANT USF ALERT - 889993



FCC FORM 499 ALERT - INCREASED PROJECTED REVENUES

Thank you for submitting the August 2019 499-Q for Filer ID **889993 Test Company** LLC. USAC has successfully processed your filing and notes that the interstate and/or international revenues projected on your August 2019 499-Q filing are significantly higher than the revenues that were projected on your May 2019 499-Q filing. Based on these projections your quarterly contribution base will significantly increase as a result of this filing as compared to your May 2019 499-Q.

If you need to make any corrections to your August 2019 FCC Form 499-Q please do so by submitting a revision with updated information, which can be done in the <u>E-File System</u>. **Please note that USAC will not accept any revisions to this filing after 9/16/2019 11:59:00 PM.**

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Email notification

IF USAC notices any large differences, USAC will notify the preparer with <u>another</u> <u>email</u> outlining potential issues.

Don't ignore this email!

It tells you that USAC noticed the filing you just submitted is significantly higher than the previous 499-Q.

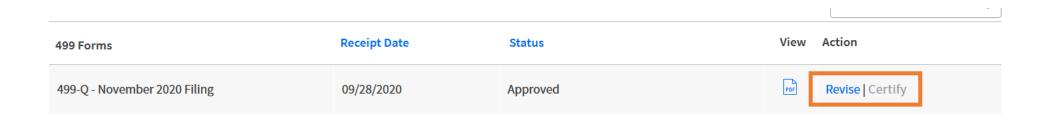
This email also includes when you need to submit revisions by.

Revise the FCC Form 499-Q

The Form 499-Q has a very short revision window of 45 days!

This is because the data collected on the form is time sensitive.

USAC uses the data for invoicing as well as determining the USF contribution factor.



Click the 'Revise' button to open up the 499Q form again and submit changes.

Revisions submitted after the revision date will not be used.

Monthly Invoice

How USAC uses the revenue on the 499-Q

DETAILED SUMMARY OF CHARGES AND CREDITS

SUPPORT MECHANISM CHARGES

Your monthly support mechanism charges were calculated according to the following formulas:

Quarterly Contribution Base

The quarterly contribution base is a portion of your quarterly revenue that USAC considers when determining your quarterly Universal Service Fund contribution. The quarterly contribution base equals your interstate plus international revenue. Your current quarterly contribution base equals:

| \$ 108,378.00 | | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 108,378.00 |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Interstate Revenue (Line 120B) | + | International Revenue (Line 120C) | = | Quarterly Contribution Base |

Adjusted Quarterly Contribution

USAC adjusts carriers' quarterly contribution bases by the amount that they are expected to contribute in that quarter. The calculation for an adjusted contribution amount is as follows, and takes into account the circularity deduction:



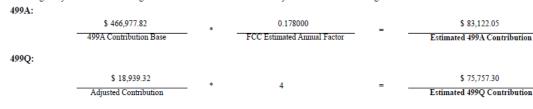


De Minimis Eligibility

Carriers whose expected annual contribution is less than \$10,000 are considered de minimis and are exempted from paying into the Universal Service Fund. To be exempt, a carrier must meet the de minimis criteria on both the current 499A and 499Q forms.

You meet the de minimis criteria on neither the 499A or the current 499Q. Therefore, you are not eligible for the de minimis exemption during the current quarter.

Your eligibility was calculated using the contribution factors established by the FCC for determining de minimis status on each form:



For more information on the FCC estimated annual factor, please see the Form 499A Instructions. For more information on the current FCC contribution factor, visit the FCC website at www.fcc.gov.

Support Mechanism Charges

Your total monthly contribution is determined by multiplying one-third of your adjusted quarterly contribution base by the current quarter's FCC contribution factor.

USAC Invoice

| Page 1, Lower | left hand side | | | | |
|---|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| FORM 499 | Q DATA | | | | |
| This month's support mechanism char contribution factor of 0.212000 ar | | | | | |
| November 201 | <u>19 499Q</u> | | | | |
| 120b | \$108,378.00 | | | | |
| 120c | \$0.00 | | | | |
| If the figures do not correspond with your records, please contact USAC Customer Service at 888-641-8722 | | | | | |
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USAC takes the revenue input on Line 120b + 120c This is displayed on your invoice, page 1, lower left corner.



USAC outlines the calculations for the monthly contribution amount on page 2 of the invoice.

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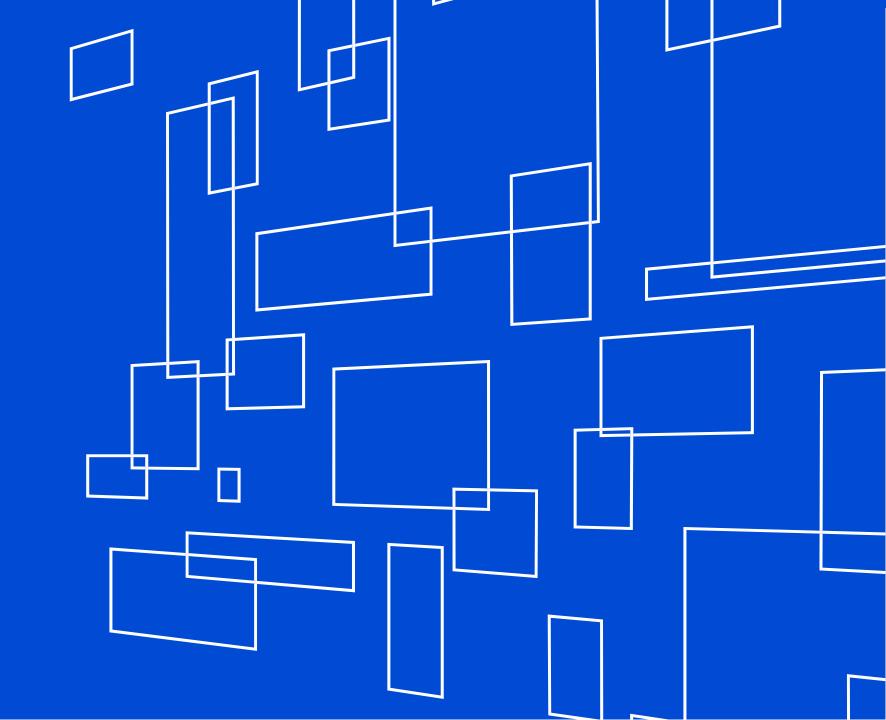
\$ 18,939.32 Adjusted Ouarterly Contribution

Total Monthly Contribution

\$ 6,313.11

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