Universal Service Administrative Co.

New 499 ID Basics

Overview for Service Providers

December 15, 2022

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Webinar Overview

In this webinar, designed for service providers new to USAC, we'll cover the basics of the 499 ID and the filing requirements.



Agenda

- 498 ID & 499 ID Purpose
- USAC's Website
- 499 ID Assignment
- Filing Calendar
- Quarterly Form 499-Q
- Annual Form 499-A

498 ID & 499 ID

Understanding the Difference

Purpose of These IDs

499 ID

- Takes it's name from the registration form
 – FCC Form 499-A
- Identification used to contribute to the Universal Service Fund



498 ID

- Takes it's name from the registration form – FCC Form 498
 - Identification used to receive Universal Service funding



ID Differences

498 ID

Nine digit number beginning with "143" or "443" (i.e. 143999999, or 443999999)

Who –

Telecommunications Providers

- Nine digit number beginning with "143" School or Library
- Nine digit number beginning with "443"

Why - to receive funding from any of the 4 programs USAC administers: *Rural Health Care*, *High Cost*, *Lifeline*, *E-Rate*

499 ID

Six digit number beginning with an "8" (i.e. 889993)

Who - <u>All</u> telecommunications Providers, including VoIP service providers and resellers

Why - to contribute to the Universal Service Fund

Companies that have a 498 ID don't necessarily have to have a 499 ID, and vice versa!

499 ID Assignment

Next Steps

Email Notification of Assignment

Next Steps

Two emails were sent to the Company Officer listed on the registration form.

- 1. Company Officer username and log in instructions
- 2. Assignment of the 499 Filer ID and a list of forms you are required to file.

The Company Officer should now add any employees as users to USAC's E-File system. Functions performed in E-File are form preparers, additional company officers and employees responsible for paying USAC invoices.

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

Online Resources



The Universal Service Fund helps communities and people across the U.S. stay connected to the information, resources, and care they need.

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USAC administers the Universal Service Fund under the direction of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

Scroll down the page for links statistics on the universal service fund.

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1. Main page of USAC website

Two ways to access the payments screens – but both will take you to Dept of Treasury Site.

2. E-File Access – must be an authorized user of E-File to access online payments.

This screen is an example of one filer ID. Select 'Payments' and the screen will be the most current filer balance information. Once you click 'Make a Payment', you get routed to Treasury.



USAC's Online Filing System – E-File



'Sign In' page will prompt you for a username and password to log in to the E-File system.

USAC maintains security using a multi-factor authentication system, sending the user id (email address) a 6-digit code to enter, prior to logging in to the system.

It's important not to share usernames. That's a violation of our terms and conditions.

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Click the box to accept

By signing in, I accept the terms and conditions of the USAC system.



Don't have an account? Create an account

Service Provider Specific Menu

Click on the words 'Service Providers' and you'll see a drop down menu with topics specific to Service Providers, the Forms 499 and 498 as well as a monthly invoice explanation.

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Monthly Trainings

- New 499 ID •
- Office Hours open topic • and discussion

Previous webinar recordings also stored here.

Additional Learning Resources

The USAC website offers several options to learn via our online video library as well.

Click on the words 'Service Providers' on the main webpage.

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Adding E-File Users

Only Company Officers can grant E-File access to additional users.

Click the down arrow next to your user ID in the top right hand corner of the screen, then select the option, 'Add/Remove 499 Users'.

At the next screen, click the blue button '+Add User Accounts'.



Add Authorized Users in E-File

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E-FILE	
ADD NEW USER ACCOUNT	
S Enter the email address of the user you would like to add and	I click "Submit".
Email Address:	
Submit	Cancel

•The email address entered also acts as your E-File user ID

•The email address entered is specific to the person and not an email address shared with another person(s) or a generic email address (e.g. Billing @gmail.com)

•The email address listed above is the address to which business communications, including confidential business communications, may be sent.

Add Authorized Users in E-File

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• This email address is not associated with an existing E-File user account. To continue granting entitlements to this person, complete the requested information below. Select whether the person's E-File account should have the capabilities of a company officer or preparer; select the Filer ID(s) the person should have access to, and click "Submit."						
Name	First		MI	Last		
Position Title	Job Title					
Phone Number	XXX-XXX-XXXX			Ext.		
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• Enter in the contact information of the user you are adding.

• Place a check mark in the box confirming that the user id you are adding meets the USAC terms and conditions.

• Scroll down to assign a role to the new user.

Add Authorized Users in E-File



- Determine the level of access you will grant to the new user.
 - Company officers are the only persons who can certify an FCC Form.
 - Company officers can also add/remove users who have authority to access the account.
- Select which Filer IDs the new user will have access to by highlighting the filer ID and clicking the right arrow button to move it to the 'Selected Filer IDs' column.
- Complete the set up by clicking the 'Submit' button

2023 Filing Calendar

When to File the FCC Forms 499

Types of FCC Form 499

FCC Form 499-A

- 1. Required for EVERYONE
- 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.

2023 Filing Deadlines

Due Date	Revenue Reported	Revision Deadline	Contributor Invoice
FCC Form 499-Q February 1, 2023	2Q projected 2023 4Q revenue 2022	March 20, 2023	April – June 2023
FCC Form 499-A April 1, 2023	Prior year: 2022 January – December	March 31, 2024	July 2023
FCC Form 499-Q May 1, 2023	3Q projected 2023 1Q revenue 2023	June 15, 2023	July – September 2023
FCC Form 499-Q August 1, 2023	4Q projected 2023 2Q revenue 2023	September 15, 2023	October – December 2023
FCC Form 499-Q November 1, 2023	1Q projected 2024 3Q revenue 2023	December 18, 2023	January – March 2024

Quarterly Filing Periods

Filing Dates – from the FCC Form 499-Q

One form is used to file all four of the quarterly filings. The relevant time periods are included on the form showing the filer exactly what time periods the form is reporting.

Below is a screen shot from E-File's data entry for the FCC Form 499-Q. You can find a copy of this form on our <u>website</u>.

Block 3: Contributor Historical and Projected Revenue Information							
113. Indicate which Quarterly filling this represents							
	Filling due Image: November 1, 2022 Image: February 1, 2023 Image: May 1, 2023 Image: August 1, 2023	<u>Historical revenues (lines 115-118) for</u> July 1 - September 30, 2022 October 1 - December 31, 2022 January 1 - March 31, 2023 April 1 - June 30, 2023	Projected revenues (lines 119-120) for January 1 - March 31, 2023 April 1 - June 30, 2023 July 1 - September 30, 2023 October 1 - December 31, 2023				

Find the FCC Forms 499

Navigate to USAC's website: <u>www.usac.org</u>

Click on the words "Service Providers" from the top right hand of page.

Mega Menu will display with further menu selections for Service Providers.



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Find the FCC Forms

Select "Forms & Instructions" from the drop down mega menu.

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		Request Invoice Copy	Glossary of Terms Multi-Factor Authentication	

Form 499 & Instructions

All 3 forms relevant to Service Providers can be found on this page.

The paper copy of the instructions as well as the form itself are listed in this section. Actual forms are the last pages of the instructions document.

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

FCC Form 499-Q

• filed 4 times a year.

FCC Form 499-A

• filed once a year



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Forms & Instructions

This list of forms pertain to service providers for purposes of contributing to the USF and registering to receive disbursements.

FCC Form 498 FCC Form 498 and Instructions 🕞 Due Date Submit at any time	Who Must File Service providers participating in USF Programs Learn more
FCC Form 499-A FCC Form 499A and Instructions 🕞 Due Date April 1	Who Must File All 499 Filer IDs Learn more
FCC Form 499-Q FCC Form 499-Q and Instructions 🕞 Due Date Feb 1, May 1, Aug 1, Nov 1	Who Must File All contributors to USF Learn more

The links open a .pdf document that contain the instructions to the form, with a copy of the form at the end of the document.

These documents are provided for reference only, as the forms must be completed online through USAC's E-File system

Questions?

Quarterly Filing

Who is Required to File the 499-Q

FCC Form 499-Q Purpose

What is it?

- The FCC Form 499-Q (quarterly) is used to determine the amount of money a company must contribute to the universal service fund for a quarter.
 - It is similar in concept to the IRS quarterly estimated tax forms a business must file.
- The same form or "template" is used for each quarter's filing.
- While the filer reports both historical and projected revenues on the form, only the projected revenues are used to determine the contribution amount billed in the upcoming quarter.

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.

Please sent your email prior to the quarterly form due date!

- Send the email to 'Form499@usac.org'
- ♦ Include your 499 Filer ID, Company name and the specific FCC Form 499-Q (i.e. November 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.

Annual Revenue Threshold

For calendar year 2023, filers that bill less than **\$39,062** of <u>combined **end user** interstate and</u> <u>international telecommunication revenues</u> will be considered *de minimis* for 2023.

Which leads to the question, "How do I know if I'm below the threshold for a quarter?"

Quarterly Revenue Threshold

For every quarter in 2023, if the revenue reported on Line 120(b) + (c) is **\$9,765** or less, then then service provider will be *de minimis*.

Filing Online

Accessing the Forms 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 'Start 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.

Log in to E-File

All data entry and submission of 499 forms is done while logged in to USAC's online system called E-File. You can log in from the main USAC webpage, <u>www.usac.org</u>, by clicking the blue 'Sign In' button at the top of the page.



Online Filing the FCC Form 499-Q

Once logged in to E-File, the 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 the paragraph 'Manage FCC Forms 499'.

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Dashboard			bcddca@usac.com ∨
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03/19 2020 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 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 February 499-Q, select the 'Start Form' action from the right hand side at the end of the row.

499 Forms	Receipt Date	Status	View	Action
499-Q - November 2022 Filing		Not Started	PDF	Start Form
499-Q - August 2022 Filing		USAC Estimate	PDF	Revise Certify
499-Q - May 2022 Filing		USAC Estimate	PDF	Revise Certify

Online Filing the FCC Form 499-Q

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)



Revenue Reporting Sections

NOTE!!

While the company reports historical revenues, it's the **PROJECTED** revenues (Lines 120) that USAC uses to determine your monthly contribution

		Interstate Revenues (b)	International Revenues (c)
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		
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		

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.**

Need Help? Contact Us!

If you have general questions or need assistance with E-File, call USAC Customer Operations at

(888)641-8722 or CustomerSupport@usac.org. You may also visit us at www.usac.org.

Email Notification

IF USAC notices any large differences, USAC will notify the preparer with an email 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 a due date of when you need to submit revisions.

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 499-Q form again and submit changes.

Revisions submitted after the revision date will not be used.

Training Video for Filing the FCC Form 499-Q

We recently posted a new 499-Q training module that explains the form and walks a user through filing the FCC Form 499-Q. It is self-paced and includes a menu so you can skip to specific sections.

This video is found on our 'Videos' page or directly by clicking this link.



Monthly Invoice

How USAC Uses the Revenues on the 499-Q

USAC Online Invoice Summary

On or around the 15th of the month, an online invoice summary is available to authorized users in E-File.

To access this summary page, from the 'Payments' section, scroll down to the 'Select Payment View', click in the box, and select 'Invoices'.







Filer ID
Billing Contact

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT



TOTAL OUTSTANDING USAC BALANCE AS OF 08/14/2020

Transactions occurring after 08/14/2020 are not reflected in this statement.

*Please note that this is just the summary page of your invoice. A full invoice with more detail is being mailed to you.

Payment Information

To make payments go to www.usac.org/pay

Under the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-134) (DCIA), your BALANCE DUE is a demand that you pay a DEBT owed to the United States on or before the DUE DATE. Any portion of the DEBT unpaid after the DUE DATE is a DELINQUENT DEBT, which incurs interest at the annual rate equal to the U.S. prime rate as of the DATE OF DELINOUENCY plus 3.5 percent from that DATE until the DEBT is paid in full. Any portion of the DEBT unpaid more

USAC Paper Invoice

DETAILED SUMMARY OF CHARGES AND CREDITS

Page 1, Lower left hand side

FORM 499Q DATA

This month's support mechanism charges were calculated using an FCC contribution factor of 0.212000 and the following revenue data:

November 2019 499Q

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

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.



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)	Ŧ	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:

499A:



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.

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\$ 18,939.32 =
\$ 6,313.11
Adjusted Quarterly Contribution =
Total Monthly Contribution

USAC Paper Invoice

November 2022 FCC Form 499-Q

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		February 1, 2021	February 1, 2021 October 1 – December 3		April 1 – June 30, 2021			
	□ May 1, 2021 January 1 – March 31, 2		2021	July 1 – S	September 30, 2021			
		August 1, 2021	April 1 - June 30, 2021	l	October	1 - December 31, 2021		
114	Check if us	ing safe harbor to allocate	interstate/intrastate reven	nues for each of the f	following (as applicable):		
	Cellular &	broadband PCS:	Paging: 🗌 🔹 Analog S	SMR: Interc	connected V	VoIP:		
Historical billed revenues with no allowance or deductions for Total Re uncollectibles. See Instructions.				Total Revenu (a)	es .	Interstate Revenues (b)	International Revenues (c)	
115	Telecommunications provided to other universal service contributors for resale as telecommunications or as interconnected VoIP							
116	End-user te through cha excluding i	elecommunications revenu arges for universal service nternational-to-internation	es including any pass- contributions, but al revenues					
117	All other go	oods and services				Column (b) and	d (c) not requested	
118	Gross-bille	d revenues from all source	s [sum of above]			for Lines	117 and 118	
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The revenue projections entered on <u>Line 120</u> will be used for determining your contribution amounts billed on the <u>1st quarter of 2023 invoices</u>.

January, February and March 2023 USAC invoices



Questions?

Annual Filing FCC Form 499-A

What is it?

A company reports their actual historical revenues on the FCC Form 499-A. *The 2023 FCC Form 499-A reports actual revenues from calendar year 2022.* USAC takes the revenue on the 2023 FCC Form 499-A and compares to the projected revenue from the guarterly FCC Forms 499-Q that were filed in 2022.



Compare 499-Q revenue to the 499-A revenue

If the company's projected revenues for calendar year 2022, reported on the FCC Form 499-Qs, are **too high**, USAC will calculate your credit.

The company 'contributed' too much over the year.

If the company's projected revenues are **too low**, USAC will calculate a "trueup charge" to make up for the contribution deficit.

The company didn't contribute enough over the year.

These charges/credits will appear on the company's July invoice from USAC.

Filing the Annual Form

Start a New Form Online

Remember! All FCC Forms 499-A and 499-Q must be submitted online.

• Paper copies are NOT accepted.

USAC's online system, E-File, will display a data entry screen, guiding the user through reporting the revenue on the FCC Form 499-A

• Unlike the FCC Form 499-Q, the data entry screens do NOT look like the paper copy of the form.

Online Filing

The FCC reviews and updates the FCC Form 499-A prior to releasing it for the year. Until the new form has been released, you will not see the form listed.

To start the FCC Form 499-A, select 'Start Form' from the row containing the FCC Form 499-A.

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499-A - 2022 Filing		Not Started	PDI	Start Form
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499-Q - November 2021 Filing	11/01/2021	Approved	PDF	Revise Certify

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Registration Information Summary

Information Reported in Registration Section

- Company identification
- Telecommunications services offered
- Holding Company/Affiliates
- Customer contact information
- Form preparer contact information
- USAC billing contact information
- List of company officers
- States where services are sold

Please review if this information is correct when submitting the FCC Form 499-A. While the information is pre-populated from last year's form, take a moment to review for accuracy.

Service providers can update this information at any time during the year by submitting a revision to the Form 499A.

Revenue Reporting Summary

Revenue Reporting Sections

Carrier's Carrier - (Form 499-A Lines 303-315)	Edit
This section is for reporting revenues received from (1) carriers that contributed to the federal universal service fund (USF); OR (2) USAC or state sources for universal service support.	
End-User - (Form 499-A Lines 403-417)	Edit
This section is for reporting revenues received from end-users, or carriers that did not contribute to the federal USF, for providing telecommunications or interconnected VoIP services.	
Non-Telecommunications - (Form 499-A Lines 418.1-418.3)	Edit
This section is for reporting revenues received for providing non-telecommunications services.	
Non-Interconnected VoIP - (Form 499-A Line 418.4)	Edit
This section is for reporting revenues received for providing non-interconnected VoIP services.	
Excluded Reseller Revenue - (Form 499-A Line 511)	Edit
This section is for reporting revenues from carriers that did not contribute to USF that you would like to exclude from other contribution bases (e.g., NANPA, TRS, LNP).	
Uncollectible Revenue or Bad Debt - (Form 499-A Lines 421-422)	Edit
This section is for reporting any uncollectible revenue or bad debt.	
Regional Percentages - (Form 499-A Lines 503-510)	Edit
This section is required for carriers and providers of interconnected VoIP with revenue to indicate regional billing data.	
Certifying Officer Information	Edit

This section you will need to fill out the filer's Certifying officer information.



Revenue Data Entry

Placed side by side, you'll see that the online data entry screen does not look like the paper form. If you only provide one type of service, you may select that service type. Or...

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303.1 PICC charges to IXCs					
Provided as unbundled network elements (UNEs)					
303.2 Provided under other arrangements					
Per-minute charges for originating or terminating calls					
304.1 Provided under state or federal access tariff					
304.2 Provided as unbundled network elements or other contract arrangement					
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E-FILE

Company Name: USAC Test Amy Filer ID: 889993 2019 FCC Form 499-A (Reporting calendar 2018 revenues)

CARRIER'S CARRIER REVENUE

In this section, report: (1) revenues from telecommunications services sold to other carriers; and (2) revenue received from USAC or state sources for universal service support.

For questions below regarding revenue "from carriers that contribute to USF", the carrier's customer must (1) incorporate the purchased telecommunications services into its own telecommunications offerings and (2) be reasonably expected to contribute to the federal universal service support mechanisms based on revenues from such offerings when provided to end users. FCC Form 499-A Instructions.

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Did you receive any revenues for providing **private line and business data** service for resale - *from carriers that contribute to USF (see above)?* NO - Continue to next question Please report revenues from all private line and business data services. Break out those revenues as follows:

After clicking the 'Expand All', every section is expanded and the corresponding line numbers that reference the paper form are displayed.

Revenue Data Entry

There's a lot of lines, so use the scroll bar on the right hand side of the screen to scroll through all of the data entry questions.

If the line number is a service your company sells, enter the total revenue in the box on the left hand side of the screen. For each line on which you provide revenue numbers, you will be required to enter what portion of that total revenue can be attributed to interstate and international.

The percentage boxes are grayed out and will be calculated when you enter the actual revenue numbers.

Data Entry Navigation



Certify and Submit

Complete the FCC Form 499

Certify & Submit

Review, Certify & Submit

Once the data entry is complete on the FCC Form 499-A, USAC does not consider it submitted until a Company Officer electronically signs (certify) and submits the form.

E-File preparers cannot submit the FCC Form 499-A, only a Company Officer can.

E-File gives the officer two methods for certifying forms.

Account #	Company Name	Form	Status	View	Action
889993	USAC Test Amy	499-Q - November 2020 Filing - Rev 3	Pending Officer Approval	PDF	Revise Certify
80	Communications, LLC	499-A - 2022 Filing - Rev 1	Pending Officer Approval	PDF	Revise Certify
889994	USAC Test	499-A - 2022 Filing	Pending Officer Approval	PDF	Revise <mark>Certify</mark>
889993	USAC Test Amy	499-A - 2020 Filing - Rev 2	Pending Officer Approval	PDF	Revise <mark>Certify</mark>

MAIN PAGE: 2022 FCC FORM 499-A (REPORTING ACTUAL REVENUES FROM CALENDAR YEAR 2021) Thank you for choosing to electronically file your FCC Form 499-A. Use this E-File system to update your registration information and to report your actual revenues from calendar year 2021. As you enter your data, be sure that you understand the requirements as indicated in the 2022 FCC Form 499-A Instructions.. Review and update your registration information, including your company contact names Update Registration and addresses, carrier type and activities, and jursidiction. The E-File system has pre-Information populated this information from your prior FCC Form 499 submissions. (Pages 1-3 of FCC Form 499-A) Enter or update your revenue information for calendar year 2021. If you are submitting a Enter/Update Revenue revision, the E-File system has pre-populated revenue information from your last filing. Information (Pages 4-8 of FCC Form 499-A) Submitting the Form Throughout the data entry process, the E-File system will conduct validations of your data and will advise you of any issues it detects. The "Review and Certify My Filing to USAC" button will be enabled only when any identified issues have been resolved. **Review & Certify** Save & Close Form

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