

Independence for People with Disabilities

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Public Service Commissioners,

I am in favor of keeping the surcharge as is, 13 cents. Reason being is to increase the funding distribution to the equipment program to expand their telecommunication choices such as Blackberry. Technology is rapidly changing into cellular world and most of the consumers use cellular devices as part of their everyday life, some use it as everyday phone instead of land line.

At this time, TAP program does not have enough funding to add a cellular phone to its current listing and if we re able to distribute more funding into it on monthly basis therefore .13 would justify and still maintain Relay Funding without any significant loss in its revenue.

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