

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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March 24, 2022

To: California LifeLine Service Providers

**SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA LIFELINE PROGRAM HOUSEHOLD INCOME  
LIMITS EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022 THROUGH MAY 31, 2023**

The Communications Division (CD) of the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) hereby notifies California LifeLine (California LifeLine) service providers of the California LifeLine income limits for June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023.

**Background**

Commission's General Order (GO) 153, Section 5.2, provides that CD must adjust California LifeLine income limits by April 15<sup>th</sup> of each year to reflect inflation based on the Federal Consumer Price Index – Urban Areas (CPI-U). Further, GO 153, Section 5.2.1.1 states, "All California LifeLine Service Providers shall implement the adjusted California LifeLine income limits by no later than June 1<sup>st</sup> of each year."

**Calculation**

The California LifeLine income limits used for the June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022 period will increase by 0.7% CPI-U rate. CD obtained the 0.7% CPI-U rate from the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Economic News Release, on January 12, 2022, for the 12 months ending December 2021, as reported at the following website address: <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/cpi.toc.htm>.

**California LifeLine Income Limits  
Effective June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023**

<u>Household Size</u>	<u>Annual Income Limit</u>
1-2	\$28,700
3	\$33,300
4	\$40,600
<b>Each Additional Member</b>	<b>\$7,300</b>

California LifeLine service providers are required to file revised tariffs or schedules of rates and charges and revise the annual notice. All California LifeLine Service Providers must (1) implement the adjusted California LifeLine income limits set forth above effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023, and (2) revise their annual notice to reflect the adjusted California LifeLine income limits for June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023.

California LifeLine wireline service providers shall file a Tier 1 advice letter to revise their tariffs to reflect the adjusted California LifeLine income limits for June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023. Wireline service providers do not need to submit the Tier 1 advice letter if they revised their tariff previously to include the website link to the CPUC income limit webpage <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/CA-lifeline-eligibility#Income>. California LifeLine wireless service providers shall submit, for review and approval, any marketing materials containing information about California LifeLine annual income limits to [CaLLMarketing@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:CaLLMarketing@cpuc.ca.gov) by May 1, 2022.

If you have any questions regarding this administrative letter, please contact Tina Lee by phone at (415) 703-2285 or by e-mail at [u17@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:u17@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert Osborn', written in a cursive style.

Robert Osborn  
Communications Division Director  
California Public Utilities Commission