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3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.13 Schools and Libraries Discount Program

- 3.13.1 The Schools and Libraries Discount program permits eligible schools (public, private, grades Kindergarten through 12) and libraries to purchase the Company's services offered in this tariff at a discounted rate, in accordance with the Rules adopted by the F.C.C. in its Universal Service Order 97-157, issued May 8, 1997 and the New York State Public Service Commission in its Opinion and Order 97-11 Adopting Discounts for Services for Schools and Libraries, issued June 25, 1997. The Rules are codified at 47 Code of Federal Regulation (C.F.R) 54.500 et. seq.
- As indicated in the Rules, the discounts will be between 20 and 90 percent of the prediscount price, which is the price of services to schools and libraries prior to
 application of a discount. The level of discount will be based on an eligible school or
 library's level of economic disadvantage and by its location in either an urban or rural
 area. A school's level of economic disadvantage will be determined by the percentage
 of its students eligible for participation in the national school lunch program, and a
 library's level of economic disadvantage will be calculated on the basis of school
 eligibility in the public school district in which the library is located. A non-public
 school may use either eligibility for the national school lunch program or other
 federally approved alternative measures to determine its level of economic
 disadvantage. To be eligible for the discount, schools and libraries will be required to
 comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the Rules. Discounts are available
 only to the extent that they are funded by the federal universal service fund. Schools
 and libraries may aggregate demand with other eligible entities to create a consortium.

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