



January 1, 2013

Re: Georgia Universal Access Fund Surcharge

Dear Customer,

In May 2012, legislation was enacted in Georgia that allows local exchange companies to establish a surcharge to collect from its customers contributions required under Code Section 46-5-167 – Universal Access Fund after approval by the Georgia Public Service Commission. Having been granted Commission approval, effective January 1, 2013, Granite will assess a surcharge calculated as two percent (2%, or 0.02) of intrastate retail revenues, the Commission-approved UAF contribution factor. The rate of surcharge is equal to the contribution factor established by the Public Service Commission.