

Inmate Calling Services – WC Docket No. 12-375 Interstate Rate Cap Proposal

All interstate calls would be capped at a maximum of \$8 per call; regardless of the length of call, the size of facility, or the location of the facility. This rate would not be retroactive, but would only apply to new contracts.

- 1) This rate equates to just \$.13/minute for a 1 hour call and only \$.26/minute for a 30 minute call;
- 2) This rate cap eliminates the \$20-\$60 calls that the various Panelists at the FCC Workshop on Inmate Rates have complained about;
- 3) Mr. Lee Petro indicated at the FCC Workshop, that in Charleston, S.C., they pay \$18 for an interstate call – with our proposed \$8 per call interstate rate cap, this would be a 56% reduction in the call rate;
- 4) Mr. Alex Friedman read a letter at the FCC Workshop from Noel Woodward of Seattle– Ms. Friedman indicated that her last 42 minute call to her son in Alaska cost \$59. With Securus' rate cap proposal, this would be an 87% reduction in her call rate.
- 5) This proposal will allow the FCC to show significant progress in reducing higher cost interstate inmate calling rates and will provide a significant victory to the various stakeholders.

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