

Alascom asks rate increase

Alascom, Inc., Alaska's largest Long Distance Telephone Company, has filed a request with the Federal Communications Commission to allow it to adjust its charges for customers making certain types of calls. This filing reflects an identical increase initiated by AT&T for its customers and is part of Alascom's policy of mirroring the charges of AT&T for service to all its customers.

Specifically, an Alascom customer calling the Contiguous 48 United States, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands will experience a one cent per minute increase for calls placed during the Day Rate Period (8:00am-5:00pm weekdays) in two rate bands. Calls in the 431-925 mileage band will increase from 23 to 24 cents per minute and calls in the 926-1910 mileage band will go from 24 to 25 cents per minute. The requested effective date for this change is October 23, 1993.

In another filing to the FCC which also mirrors an AT&T request, Alascom has asked that the charge for requesting an operator to bill your interstate call to a third party (a telephone number not involved in the actual call) be increased from \$1.94 to \$2.00 per call. The effective date of this action has not yet been identified.