

## Secure Telephone Identity Governance Authority

## **Policy Decision 005: Funding Policy**

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The STI-GA Board of Directors unanimously voted on a method for determining an STI Participant's calendar year fee for obtaining a token to be used as part of the STI-GA call authentication ecosystem:

- The fee for service providers is based on a providers' revenue as detailed on the provider's most recent Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet, FCC Form 499-A, and is calculated by applying a contribution factor of **0.00002705** to the amount reported on Form 499-A Revenue Lines 423 or 514 (column A), whichever is greater.
  - o If the SP files more than one Form 499A for different affiliates or subsidiaries, it should total the amounts on all forms filed. It will add up all the revenues reported among all its filed forms on lines 423. It will also add up all the revenues reported among all its filed forms on line 514. It will then report the larger of the two numbers to the STI-PA. It is this total revenue figure to which the contribution factor will be applied to determine the payment.
- The fee for Resp Orgs is based on the Resp Org's Annual Toll-Free Revenue total for the most recent full calendar year.
- Participants that are both Service Providers and Resp Orgs <u>must</u> register as Service Providers.
- Minimum and maximum 2026 fees have been established:
  - Maximum 2026 fee -- \$97,500
  - Minimum 2026 fee -- \$450
- Current Revenue information will be collected as part of the <u>online registration</u> <u>process</u>, and will be updated annually thereafter. Revenue information will be used by STI-PA only for the purposes of determining fees for participating in the STI framework. The STI-PA will not share this information with anyone, including ATIS, any ATIS member, any successor governance authority, or any Policy Administrator affiliate or parent. An SP or Resp Org that does not respond to the STI-PA request by either providing the revenue information or agreeing to pay the maximum fee, will have their SPC token revoked and STI-PA authorization suspended. In the case of revocation/suspension, the SP or Resp Org will be given 30-days prior notice to provide the revenue data.
- Calendar year fees will not be prorated.