

## Protect Yourself from Slamming

Slamming is the term used to describe the <u>unauthorized</u> changing of a consumer's long distance carrier. In the past, South Plains Telephone Cooperative dba Horizons Communications was able to verify a carrier change request with our customers <u>BEFORE</u> making the change. However, a revision of the FCC rules means we can no longer perform this verification with the customer, which subjects you to possible slamming.

To minimize the inconvenience and expense that can result from being slammed, Horizons offers, AT NO CHARGE, <u>a Preferred Carrier Freeze</u>. If you authorize a carrier freeze, Horizons will not allow a change of your long distance carrier without your direct authorization.

If, after you authorize a carrier freeze, you wish to make a change, **it must be received in writing** authorizing us to lift the freeze on your account and change your specified long distance carrier. We will require identifying information for verification.

For your protection and convenience, please complete the following <u>Preferred Carrier Freeze</u> form and return it to our office as soon as possible to avoid being slammed! Failure to complete the form and return to us could result in an unauthorized change from a long distance carrier. If you have questions concerning slamming or the Preferred Carrier Freeze, please contact our customer service department.

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## PREFERRED CARRIER FREEZE

I hereby request and authorize South Plains Telephone Cooperative to freeze the preferred long distance carrier on my account for the services listed below:

Account Name:		
Billing Address:		
City:	State: _	Zip:
Telephone Number(s):		
	InterLATA section be	low should be completed
InterLATA Long Distance	(L/D): Your Preferred L/D Company	IntraLATA Long Distance (L/D) LUBBOCK LATA
Authorized Signature	Date	LAZBUDDIE   LAZBUDDIE  SPRINCLAKE  KRESS  KRES  KRESS  KRES  KRESS  KRES  KRESS  KRES  KRESS  KRES  KRESS  KRES  K
Job Title	Mother's Maiden Name	MULESHOE EARTH OLTON PLANNEW NEEDWORE MAMERST COUNTY MAMERST COUNT
Soc. Sec. # (last 4 digits) or Tax ID (last 6 digits)		C HILDRELL SPADE HOLLANDLE PETERSHIER ROARING SPRINGS MORTON PETTIT SHALLOWATER MERRELL OF A BETHER OF A BETHER AND A BETH
Others authorized to lift freeze or make changes to the InterLATA service on the above number(s):		LAZBUDOLE SPRINCLAKE SPRINCL SPR
Print Name		PLACOCK
Soc. Sec. # (last 4 digits) o	r Tax ID (last 6 digits)	PATRICIA PATRICIA