

[(aa)](II) "Telegraph lines" means the material, equipment, and property owned by a telegraph company and used or to be used for or in connection with telegraph service.

[(bb)](JJ) (1) "Telephone company" means a public service company that:

(i) owns telephone lines to receive, transmit, or communicate telephone or teletype communications; or

(ii) leases, licenses, or sells telephone or teletype communications.

(2) "Telephone company" does not include a cellular telephone company.

[(cc)](KK) "Telephone lines" means the material, equipment, and property owned by a telephone company and used or to be used for or in connection with telephone service.

[(dd)](LL) "Toll bridge" means a bridge operated by a person authorized by the Commission to charge and collect toll from traffic using the bridge.

[(ee)](MM) (1) "Transportation of persons for hire" means the transportation of persons by:

(i) regularly scheduled operations;

(ii) charter or contract operations; or

(iii) tour or sightseeing operations.

(2) "Transportation of persons for hire" includes the transportation of persons, whether on the cooperative plan, carried by a corporation, group, or association engaged in the transportation of its stockholders, shareholders, or members.

[(ff)](NN) "Water company" means a public service company that owns a water plant and sells or distributes water for gain.

[(gg)](OO) "Water plant" means the material, equipment, and property owned by a water company and used or to be used for or in connection with water service.

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(A) IN THIS SECTION, "PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY" INCLUDES AN ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER AS DEFINED IN § 1-101 OF THIS ARTICLE.

[(a)](B) (1) (i) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, the costs and expenses of the Commission shall be borne by the public service companies that are subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.

(ii) The costs and expenses shall be assessed as provided in this section.

(2) An appropriation for the costs and expenses of the Commission shall be included in the State budget and paid from the State treasury.