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## Feature Feature: \*61

Some phone calls are more important than others. How do you know which calls are “special” calls? Parents? Grandparents? Friends? School? Work? With Distinctive Ring with Call Waiting you can create a list of 32 important numbers that can be recognized by a special telephone ring. Call Waiting calls also have a distinct tone.

First, you must contact the WCCTA office at 352-3151 to have the feature added to your account otherwise you will get a recording that states “you are not a subscriber to this feature.” The cost is \$1.00 per month. Then follow the directions below to add numbers to your list.

**Setting up a list of numbers from within WCCTA’s calling area:** Dial \*61, press #, dial the number, press #

Is the number from outside the WCCTA calling area? Add them to your list immediately after they call you by following these directions.

**Add last calling party after receiving call:**

Dial \*61

Press #

Dial 01, then push #

(Keep in mind large businesses or companies may use multiple numbers to call out.)



Don't Miss This Important Call!!

**To Access or Turn Off Your Service:**

Press \*61. Voice prompts will inform you if your list is on or off. To turn your list on or off, dial 3. One telephone number must be placed in your list to be able to turn on the service.

## Long Distance Excise Tax Changes

In May, the US Treasury Department announced it is ending a 3% excise tax on *long distance* calls.

Consumers will be able to file for a refund of the tax on their 2006 income tax return which they will file in 2007. The IRS is reportedly working on a simplified method for a refund.

The announcement was a victory for the telecommunications industry which has long advocated an end to the luxury tax that dates back to the 1898 Spanish-American War.

The Federal excise tax on local telephone service will still apply.

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