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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Filing Center Oregon Public Utility Commission 550 Capitol Street NE Ste 215 Salem, OR 97301-2551

Re: ARB 860 - Agreement Between Charter Fiberlink and North-State

Telephone Company

Dear Sir/Madam:

On July 28, 2008, Charter Fiberlink filed a Traffic Exchange Agreement between itself and North-State Telephone Company. Please note that for the record that North-State Telephone Company does not believe that a traffic exchange agreement for the exchange of extended area service traffic between two non-competing, contiguous LECs is required to be filed with the state commission. This is not a local interconnection agreement between competing companies.

North-State had expressed this position to Charter. Charter indicated that it would file the agreement with the Commission nonetheless.

Sincerely,

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