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Public Utility Commission of Oregon
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Via Email and USPS

Subject: **Request for Extension of Time to File Price Plan**

Dear Chair Hardie and Commissioners Bloom and Decker:

On November 27, 2013, Frontier Communications Northwest Frontier ("Frontier") filed a petition ("2013 Petition") to be regulated under a price plan pursuant to ORS 759.255. In its August 18, 2014 Order in UM 1677 ("2014 Order"), the Commission approved a price plan ("Original Plan") for Frontier. The Original Plan was for a period of three years, with Frontier having the option to extend the term by an additional (fourth) year. On August 12, 2016, Frontier notified the Commission of its intent to extend the Original Plan for a fourth year. If Frontier extended the Original Plan for a fourth year, the Stipulation appended to the 2014 Order (p. 10) required Frontier to petition the Commission for a new form of regulation no later than the end of the third year of the Original Plan (August 17, 2017).

Frontier respectfully submits this request to extend the deadline for Filing its 2017 Petition for Price Plan ("Petition") to the Commission by three weeks, to September 7, 2017. As grounds, Frontier states that the press of work in other jurisdictions has made it difficult to complete its Petition. Moreover, Frontier is currently holding discussions with Commission Staff and other interested potential parties to further explain our thoughts and hear potential concerns before filing. Staff has been apprised of this request and does not object. Therefore, Frontier requests that the Commission grant this request for extension of time.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of August, 2017,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George Thomson".

By: _____

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