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November 28, 2016

Advice Letter No. OR-16-08

Filing Center
Oregon Public Utility Commission
201 High St SE
Salem, OR 97301

RE: Citizens Telecommunications Company of Oregon – Lifeline Reform

Citizens Telecommunications Company of Oregon d/b/a Frontier Communications of Oregon (Frontier) hereby submits for electronic filing the original and a redlined copy of the revised tariff sheets.

The purpose of this filing is to revise the Lifeline tariff by streamlining program rules and eliminating outdated program obligations as required in the FCC's April 27, 2016 Report and Order, Further Report and Order, and Order on Reconsideration of Proposed Rulemaking in WC Docket No. 11-42, (FCC 16-38).

It is respectfully requested that this filing become effective on December 2, 2016.

Please return stamped tariff sheets to:
Frontier Communications
Linda Saldaña
9260 E. Stockton Blvd.
Elk Grove, CA 95624

Any questions or notifications of action taken on this filing should be directed to Kirk Lee at (425) 261-5855 or Kirk.Lee@ftr.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R. Kirk Lee".

R. Kirk Lee
Manager, Government & External Affairs

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Enclosures

Section III
Schedule 8
6th Revised Sheet No. 1

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LOCAL SERVICE

OREGON TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (OTAP)

A. TERRITORY

All exchanges as defined in tariffed exchange area maps.

B. DESCRIPTION

1. Pursuant to Chapter 290, Oregon Laws 1987, and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) Chapter 860, Division 33, the Oregon Telephone Assistance Program (OTAP) is the state counterpart to the federal Lifeline program and is governed by Federal Communication Commission 47 Code of Federal Regulations Subpart E, 54. This state and federal government assistance program provides qualifying low-income consumers with reduced monthly charges for any local residential service plan that includes voice telephony service. Eligible voice telephony services must provide voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent, access to emergency services and toll limitation services.
2. Customers must meet the eligibility requirements for OTAP/Lifeline defined in OAR 860-033-0030.

C. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Qualifying low-income customers will receive the following OTAP/Lifeline credit or discount amounts each month:

	Monthly <u>Credit</u>
Basic Federal Lifeline support amount:	\$9.25
OTAP support amount:	<u>3.50</u>
TOTAL support amount:	\$12.75

2. The Lifeline support amount is applied to the eligible voice or broadband product.

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Section III
Schedule 9
2nd Revised Sheet No. 1

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ENHANCED LIFELINE SERVICE FOR TRIBAL LANDS

A. APPLICABILITY

Residential customers who reside on federally recognized reservations are eligible to receive additional enhanced federal Lifeline support in order to reduce the price for basic local telephone service. An individual living on tribal lands shall qualify for an additional enhanced federal Lifeline credit of up to \$25.00 per month if the individual participates in any programs or the income requirement identified in Section III, Schedule 8, or in one of the following assistance programs:

- Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- Head Start (only those households meeting its income qualifying standard)
- Medicaid
- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Federal Public Housing Program (Section 8)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Veterans Pension
- Veterans Survivors Pension
- Income at or below 135% of the Federally Recognized Poverty Guidelines

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If a resident of a federally recognized reservations satisfies the state's Lifeline eligibility criteria as defined in Section III, Schedule 8, the resident will receive the state support as well as the additional enhanced federal support.

B. RATE

The additional enhanced federal credit will be available to Lifeline customers who reside on reservations in the following exchange(s):

<u>Tribe/Reservation</u>	<u>Exchange</u>
Cow Creek	Canyonville

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2. The ~~basic federal~~ Lifeline support amount is applied to the ~~End User Common Line charges or equivalent. The remaining basic federal and OTAP support amount is applied to the qualifying low-income customer's charges for intrastate services eligible voice or broadband product.~~ (C)
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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON
550 CAPITOL STREET NE, SUITE 215
SALEM OR 97301-2551

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF) UTILITY L.S.N. APPLICATION
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Oregon d/b/a)
Frontier Communications of Oregon (Frontier)
Advice No. OR-16-08) NO. _____

(UTILITY COMPANY)) (LEAVE BLANK)
TO WAIVE STATUTORY NOTICE.)


NOTE: ATTACH EXHIBIT IF SPACE IS INSUFFICIENT.

1. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE(S) ADDITION, DELETION, OR CHANGE. (SCHEDULE INCLUDES ALL RATES, TOLLS AND CHARGES FOR SERVICE AND ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS AFFECTING THE SAME)
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Oregon d/b/a Frontier Communications of Oregon (Frontier) Advice No. OR-16-08 revise the Lifeline tariff by streamlining program rules and eliminating outdated program obligations.
This does not include public bodies as defined by Oregon Statute 174.108.

2. APPLICANT DESIRES TO CHANGE THE SCHEDULE(S) NOW ON FILE KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS: (INSERT SCHEDULE REFERENCE BY NUMBER, PAGE, AND ITEM)
Oregon PUC No. 3, Section III, Schedule 8, 6th Revised Sheet No. 1 and Schedule 9, 2nd Revised Sheet No. 1.

3. THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE(S) SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS: (INSERT SCHEDULE REFERENCE BY NUMBER, PAGE AND ITEM)
Oregon PUC No. 3, Section III, Schedule 8, 6th Revised Sheet No. 1 and Schedule 9, 2nd Revised Sheet No. 1.

4. REASONS FOR REQUESTING A WAIVER OF STATUTORY NOTICE:
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6. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE 	TITLE Regulatory Manager	DATE 11/28/16
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<input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED <input type="checkbox"/> DENIED	EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED SCHEDULE(S) OR CHANGE	
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