



January 15, 2016

Oregon Public Utility Commission
P.O. Box 1088
Salem, OR 97308-1088

Subject: OAR 860-200, Qualified Project Determination – Application of Frontier Communications

Dear Filing Center,

Enclosed for filing is Frontier Communication's application for a qualified project determination under OAR 860-200. Frontier currently owns, operates and maintains a fiber to the home broadband network (FiOS) that serves customers in Clackamas, Multnomah, Washington and Yamhill Counties. The project described in the application will consist of capital investment that will enable a large portion of the FiOS footprint to provide symmetrical broadband service of, at least, approximately one gigabit per second. Frontier plans to complete the capital investment in 2016 that will make the qualified service available to the majority of its Oregon residential broadband customers.

Due to the competitive nature of this project, the detailed information regarding communities that will be served by the project is included in the confidential material submitted with the filing. Please feel free to contact me at (503) 645-7909 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Renee Willer", written over a horizontal line.

Renee Willer
State Regulatory Manager
Frontier Communications
503.645.7909

Application Cover Sheet
Section 5 Chapter 23 OL 2015 Application
OAR 860-200-0100

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete every section of this application. Attach required documents to complete the application. You will be notified when the Commission receives your application, and again when the Commission has made a determination on the application.

1. LEGAL NAME OF APPLICANT:

As registered with the Oregon Secretary of State

Applicant's address:

2. FILING TYPE: Is this an Original submission? OR Amended submission?

Is there a separate communication for protected material? Yes

3. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSONS TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THIS APPLICATION:

Applicant's Representative:

Name: Address:

Phone number:

Email address:

Individual authorized to answer technical questions related to the application if different than the representative:

Name: Address:

Phone number:

Email address:

4. DOCUMENTS INCLUDED IN THIS FILING: [refer to OAR 860-200-0100 through 860-200-0150 for all specific data required with an original application] Please check items below.

- Application Fee - \$50,000.00
- Confirmation that a copy of the application was sent to the Oregon Department of Revenue
- Contact information for technical questions relating to PUC determination that the project is qualified
- Certification from company-authorized representative that project meets all requirements for a qualified project
- Written commitment regarding use of third-parties
- Maps of project service area depicting county and city names and boundaries for both,
 Paper and Electronic
- City and county contact information where project is or will be located
- List of census blocks served or planned to be served by the project and associated census block household data (Excel-readable format.)
- Number of applicant's residential broadband customers, existing and planned
- Applicant's most recently filed FCC Form 477 Part 1A and Part 6
- A description of the applicant's project sufficient to make a determination

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON

In the Matter of)
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS) APPLICATION
Application for qualified project determination)
Under OAR 860-0200-0100(2))

INTRODUCTION

Frontier Communications hereby submits its application to the Oregon Public Utility Commission with a copy to the Oregon Department of Revenue for determination that its proposed project meets the requirements of Oregon Law, chapter 23, section 5, subsection (2) as amended by Oregon Laws 2015, chapter 31, section 7 and the application requirements under OAR 860-200. This application contains confidential & proprietary exhibits that are marked and filed consistent with OAR 860-001-0070. In support of this application, Frontier provides the following information:

1. Applicant information:

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

Frontier Communications owns and operates a carrier-class data network that supplies data transport services to access devices that deliver internet services to our Oregon customers. Frontier currently operates and maintains a fiber to the home broadband network (FiOS) that serves customers in Clackamas, Multnomah, Washington and Yamhill Counties. This is a passive optical GPON network that provides the flexibility of increasing broadband speeds by augmenting equipment in the Frontier Central Office. Frontier is already providing a-symmetrical gigabit service in some areas of the Oregon FiOS service area. In addition, the existing FiOS broadband network is providing symmetrical speeds to residential broadband customers up to 150mbps/150mbps based on current market demand.

Frontier's application is project based and the proposed project and planned capital investment will enable a large portion of its FiOS footprint to provide symmetrical broadband service of at least, approximately one gigabit per second ("qualified service"). Should this application be approved, Frontier plans to complete the capital investment in 2016 that will make the qualified service available to the majority of its residential broadband customers.

Included as Appendix A of this application is a notarized affidavit of Trent Anderson, Senior Vice President and General Manager of Oregon Operations, certifying that the project meets the requirements of Oregon law.

Included as Appendix B of this application is Frontier's written commitment regarding use of third-parties in service delivery.

Included as Appendix C of the application are confidential paper maps, and a confidential electronic version with GIS-compatible map layers of the area to be served including County and City labels and boundaries.

Included as Appendix D is a confidential list of Oregon municipalities and counties where the project will be located, including the name and contact information, to the best of our ability, for the representative of each such municipality and county that is most knowledgeable with respect to the applicant's project.

Included as Appendix E is confidential list, in Excel format, of the census blocks planned to be served by the project and for each census block, the number of occupied households (using the most current available U.S. Census statistics), and the number of those occupied households that will have access to the services enabled by this project.

Included as confidential Appendix F is a description of the project that includes the number of Frontier's current residential broadband customers and the number of those residential broadband customers who will have access to the qualified service under the proposed plan sufficient to show that Frontier will be able to offer the qualified service to the majority of its residential broadband customers, as well as other supporting documentation that shows the planned project meets the requirements of OAR 860-200-0100(10).

Included as confidential Appendix G, is Frontier's most recently submitted FCC form 477 (September 2015) and additional supporting documentation.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of January, 2015

By: 
Renee Willer
State Regulatory Manager
Frontier Communications

Appendix A

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON

In the Matter of

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS CORP) AFFDAVIT OF TRENT ANDERSON
Application for qualified project determination)
As set forth in Section 5 of Chapter 23, Oregon Laws 2015)

STATE OF OREGON

County of Washington

I, Trent Anderson, hereby depose and say:

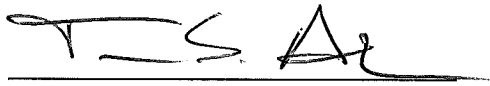
1. I am employed by Frontier Communications Corp. as Senior Vice President and General Manager of Operations for the Oregon market.

2. I am responsible for all aspects of Frontier's service in Oregon, including network design and capability.

3. I attest that the project contained in this application submitted by Frontier Communications Corp. meets the requirements for a qualified project as set forth in Oregon Laws 2015, chapter 23, section 5, subsection (2) as amended by Oregon Laws 2015, chapter 31, section 7.

4. My declaration is true and accurate based on my information and belief.

Dated this 13th day of January, 2016.



Trent Anderson

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 13th day of January 2016



Notary Public, State of Oregon

County of WASHINGTON

My Commission Expires: 3/20/2016



Application of Frontier Communications
Appendix B
Statement Regarding Use of Third Parties

Frontier owns, constructs, operates and maintains the entire FiOS (FTTP) GPON network including all aggregation points in Oregon. Frontier's fiber to the home network has been in place for several years and all technical upgrades and expansion of the network has been completed by Frontier employees. Equipment in the Central Office provided by Calix and Juniper are provided per Frontier specifications and installed by Frontier employees. All required work concerning the scope of this project will be completed by Frontier.