

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON  
STAFF REPORT  
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: June 7, 2016

REGULAR \_\_\_\_\_ CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE July 1, 2016

DATE: May 19, 2016

TO: Public Utility Commission

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY OF OREGON: (Docket No. ADV 302/Advice No. OR-16-05) Revises intrastate access tariff rates as required by FCC order No. 11-161 and subsequent orders.

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS NORTHWEST INC: (Docket No. ADV 303/Advice No. 1048) Revises intrastate access tariff rates as required by FCC order No. 11-161 and subsequent orders.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Commission allow the May 19, 2016, filings of Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. (Docket No. ADV 303/Advice No. 1048) and Citizens Telecommunications Company of Oregon (Docket No. ADV 302/Advice No. OR-16-05) to revise their intrastate access tariff rates, effective July 1, 2016, to go into effect.

**DISCUSSION:**

Background

On May 19, 2016, Frontier filed advices for its companies' access tariffs to be effective July 1, 2016.

As required by FCC Order No. 11-161, released November 18, 2011, and subsequent orders, intrastate terminating access and reciprocal compensation rates will gradually be eliminated and replaced by a bill and keep process. For Price Cap carriers, this phase down began on July 1, 2012, and is to be completed on July 1, 2018. This revision of tariffs represents step five of seven, and requires the reduction of terminating intrastate switched end office rates to be set at \$0.0007.

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The intrastate access tariffs to be revised are the following:

Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. (Docket No. ADV 303/Advice No. 1048)  
Facilities for Intrastate Access Tariff P.U.C. OR. No. 12.

Citizens Telecommunications Company of Oregon (Docket No. ADV 302/Advice  
No. OR-16-05) Access Services Tariff P.U.C. OR No. 2.

Staff has reviewed the revised tariff sheets and supporting data. The submissions conform to the methodology specified by the FCC.

Impact on Rates

As required by the FCC, intrastate rates will more closely resemble a company's interstate rates.

**PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:**

Frontier's Docket No. ADV 303/Advice No. 1048 and Citizen's Docket No. ADV 302/Advice No. OR-16-05, revising intrastate access tariff rates, be allowed to go into effect July 1, 2016.