OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION (INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE)

DATE:

March 1, 2016

TO:

File through Bruce Hellebuyd

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Citizens Telecommunications Company of Oregon, Advice No. OR-17-01.

Corrects typographical errors in the Stay Connected Seasonal Offering

reconnect charges language.

I have reviewed this filing and recommend that an acknowledgement letter be sent. The filing will go into effect on February 8, 2017. It was filed on January 5, 2017. Citizens Telecommunications Company of Oregon (Citizens) proposes to correct typographical errors in the Stay Seasonal Offering reconnect charges language in the Tariff.

The Commission determined in Order No. 15-383 (Docket No. UM 1749), effective December 1, 2015, that the company is regulated under ORS 759.040 with special conditions in the form of price caps that are the same as those stated in Frontier Communications Northwest (Frontier) Price Plan, Sections B through P. Frontier's Price Plan was established through Order No. 14-290 (Docket No. UM 1677), which was effective August 18, 2014.

Citizens is required to comply with the provisions of Sections B through P and the "Definitions" portion of the Frontier Price Plan as a condition of being regulated as provided for under Order No. 15-383. However, the other provisions of the Frontier Price Plan *do not* apply to Citizens. Telecommunications utilities are required under ORS 759.175 to submit tariff filings to the Commission whenever they intend to change their rates, terms, or conditions of service.

Section B.1.a. of the Price Plan states: "Non-recurring charges for residential and business primary line basic service. Charges remain at pre-Plan rates." Therefore, Citizens cannot increase the rates for their non-recurring charges under the Price Plan and this filing complies with that requirement. This administrative filing does not impact customer billing.

This proposed text corrects typographical errors in the Stay Connected Seasonal Offering reconnect charges language in Advice No. OR 09-06 filed 4-16-2009, effective 5-1-2009. If a reconnect date is provided when the Stay Connected Seasonal Offering is added then the reconnect charges "do not apply."

The proposed text specific changes for this filing are outlined below:

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Current Language:

A. Customer is asked to provide a reconnect date at the time of the suspension. If a reconnect date is given then the reconnection charges to do apply.

Proposed Language:

A. Customer is asked to provide a reconnect date at the time of the suspension. If a reconnect date is given then the reconnection charges do not apply.