

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON  
STAFF REPORT  
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: March 10, 2015

REGULAR \_\_\_\_\_ CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE March 20, 2015

DATE: February 23, 2015

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Armando Fimbres

THROUGH: Jason Eisdorfer, Bryan Conway, and Roger White

SUBJECT: CENTURYTEL OF OREGON INC: (Advice No. OR15-01A) Grandfathers Frame Relay Access Service to existing customers as of June 1, 2015.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Commission allow the January 18, 2015, filing by CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc. (Advice No. OR15-01A) which grandfathers Frame Relay Access Service to existing customers as of June 1, 2015, to go into effect.

**DISCUSSION:**

Background

On January 18, 2015, CenturyTel of Oregon (CenturyTel) filed revisions to Oregon tariff P.U.C. AC4 to become effective March 20, 2015, with a corresponding service effective date of June 1, 2015. The time between March 20, 2015, and June 1, 2015, is intended to allow for the submission of new orders should Frame Relay Access Service be needed by customers not of record before March 20, 2015. Any customers of record before June 1, 2015, will still be allowed to add circuits, as needed, after June 1, 2015.

The tariff revisions are proposed due to the manufacturer discontinuance of service delivery equipment. As of February 20, 2015, CenturyTel was providing Frame Relay Access Service to only one customer. No customers subscribed to Frame Relay Access Service in the past twelve months. Existing and future customers have service alternatives, such as Metro Ethernet and Private Line services, should the need arise. As such, the customer service impact associated with the grandfathering of Frame Relay Access Service is not significant.

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Impact on Rates

This filing does not change service rates.

**PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:**

CenturyTel's Advice No. OR15-01A be allowed to go into effect March 20, 2015.

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