ISSUED: November 18, 2016

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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In the Matter of

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS NORTHWEST, INC.,

Petition of Approval of Price Plan Pursuant to ORS 759.255 **RULING**

DISPOSITION:

TIME EXTENDED TO FILE PERFORMANCE REPORT

On November 9, 2016, Frontier Communications Northwest, Inc. filed a letter with the Commission stating that it needs additional time to submit a report required by Order No. 14-290. In that order, the Commission approved a stipulation and adopted a price plan for Frontier. Under the terms of the stipulation, Frontier agreed to file a report comparing the company's performance to the plan's objectives by the 90th day of the third year of operation under the plan. The plan went into effect on August 18, 2014. Therefore, under the terms of the stipulation, Frontier's report to the Commission would be due on or about November 18, 2016.

Frontier now states that it needs additional time to "collect, organize and analyze the data requested by the Commission, and to provide more robust and responsive answers to the Commission's questions about how the specific objectives of the Plan are being met." It seeks an extension of time until January 18, 2017 in which to submit the report. Frontier adds that it is strongly committed to the plan and that the additional time will allow the company to provide all of the most current and relevant information necessary for the Commission to be able to conclude that the plan is meeting its goals and is in the public interest.

RULING

I treat the letter as a motion to modify Order No. 14-290. Finding that good cause exists to extend the time for filing the Performance Report of Frontier Communications Northwest, Inc. until January 18, 2017, the motion is granted.

Dated this 18th day of November, 2016 at Salem, Oregon.

Michael Grant

Chief Administrative Law Judge