

**OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE**

DATE: February 26, 2019

TO: File through Bryan Conway and Bruce Hellebuyck *BK*

FROM: Malia Brock *MB*

SUBJECT: FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS NORTHWEST INC: (Docket No. PL 115/Advice No. 059SPL) Increases monthly rates for Business Local Telephone Service.

I have reviewed this filing and recommend that an acknowledgement letter be sent. With this filing, Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. (Frontier) proposes to increase the monthly rates for Business Local Telephone Service. The filing was submitted on February 21, 2019, and went into effect on February 24, 2019.

Applicable Rule or Law

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. Frontier is also regulated under a Price Plan pursuant to ORS 759.255 and Order No. 18-303, issued August 17, 2018.

Section 4(f)(i) of Frontier's Price Plan states that monthly rates for Business Primary Line Basic Service are no longer subject to price caps. Section 9(a)(ii) of Frontier's Price Plan requires Frontier to submit price list changes at least one day prior to their effective dates. Section 9(b)(i) Frontier's Price Plan requires Frontier to provide advance notice to customers at least 30 days ahead of price increases for services they are purchasing.

Analysis

Frontier has implemented the following business basic rate increases:

Local Service-Basic Calling Service	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3
Trunk	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00
Public Access Line	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00
One-Party	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00
Local Service-Community Calling Service			
Trunk	\$28.00	\$32.00	\$35.00
One-Party	\$25.00	\$29.00	\$32.00
Local Service-Premium Calling Service			
Trunk	\$28.00	\$32.00	\$36.00
Public Access Line	\$25.00	\$29.00	\$32.00
One-Party	\$25.00	\$29.00	\$32.00

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The price increases comply with Frontier's Price Plan as these services are no longer subject to price caps.

Frontier states that customers were provided notice of the rate increases 30 days before the effective date of the increase and the filing was submitted more than one day prior to its effective date.

Conclusion

This filing complies with all applicable laws, Commission orders, and Frontier's Price Plan. The filing has already gone into effect, and an acknowledgement letter should be sent. No further action is necessary.

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