# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT

**PUBLIC MEETING DATE: January 26, 2021** 

REGULAR \_\_\_\_ CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE \_\_\_\_ February 5, 2021

**DATE:** January 12, 2021

**TO:** Public Utility Commission

FROM: Stephanie Yamada

THROUGH: Bryan Conway, Michael Dougherty, and Bruce Hellebuyck SIGNED

**SUBJECT:** FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS NORTHWEST, LLC:

(Docket No. ADV 1228/Advice No. 2021-1)

Updates exchange maps.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) allow the tariff sheets filed by Frontier Communications Northwest, LLC dba Ziply Fiber (Frontier or Company) to become effective.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

#### <u>Issue</u>

Whether the Commission should allow Frontier's filed tariff sheets to become effective.

#### 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 regulated under a Price Plan pursuant to ORS 759.255 and Order No. 18-303 in Docket No. UM 1895. Section 9.a.i of the Price Plan requires Frontier to file all tariff changes with the Commission at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the change.

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### <u>Analysis</u>

With this filing, Frontier proposes to update its service territory maps in the Enterprise, Forest Grove, Joseph, Lostine, Murphy-Provolt, Wallowa, and Gaston exchanges. Frontier states that the purpose of this filing is "to display actual service territory which reflects actual Ziply Fiber customer locations which was previously incorrectly depicted as unserved territory and/or outside the currently depicted exchange boundary." Frontier also states that the "correction was discovered as a result of comparing the FCC's Study Area Boundaries with [the Company's] internal network records and the filed exchanged boundary maps."

This filing was submitted 30 days prior to the effective date, as required by Frontier's Price Plan. On January 13 and January 22, 2021, Frontier submitted supplemental filings to correct errors in the Gaston and Lostine exchanges, respectively.

## Conclusion

This filing complies with applicable laws and Commission orders, and should be approved.

#### PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Allow Frontier's filed tariff sheets to become effective.

Frontier ADV 1228 Exchange Maps

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Advice Letter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ibid.