



**OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE**

DATE: February 4, 2016

TO: File through Bruce Hellebuyck 

FROM: Jim Stanage 

SUBJECT: Frontier Communications Northwest Inc., Docket No. PL 34, Advice No. 042SPL, Increases the monthly rates for Directory Listings by \$0.50.

I have reviewed this filing and recommend that an acknowledgement letter be sent. The filing went into effect on January 24, 2016, and was filed on January 21, 2016. Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. (Frontier) proposes to increase the monthly rates for non-primary Directory Listings, which are Price List services, by \$0.50.

Frontier is regulated through a Price Plan under ORS 759.255. Section K of the Price Plan, *Directory Listings*, establishes that the second and any other additional listings will be subject to the "Other Services" rate cap and is most pertinent to this filing. In turn, the "Other Services" provisions of the Price Plan, found in Section H, provide that "monthly rates may increase up to 25% or \$.50, annually, whichever is greater."

The Price Plan allows that, within 60 days of receiving notice of a price increase to "Other Services," customers who request removal of any service contained in "Other Services" will not incur a non-recurring charge for the removal of the service.

The proposed local access line services rate increases are as follows:

| <u>Service</u> | <u>Current</u> | <u>Proposed</u> | <u>Increase</u> | |
|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Percent</u> |
| Additional Listing | \$2.00 | \$2.50 | \$0.50 | 25% |
| Foreign Exchange Listing | \$2.00 | \$2.50 | \$0.50 | 25% |
| Extra Lines of Information | \$2.00 | \$2.50 | \$0.50 | 25% |

The filing was submitted on January 21, 2016, and thus, complies with Frontier Price Plan, Section Q, which requires filings for price list changes to be made at least one day prior to their effective dates and that customers be notified of rate increases for price list services at least 30 days prior to the increases. The company states that it provided notice to its customers 30 days prior to the effective date of the increases. Telecommunications utilities are required under

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ORS 759.175 to submit tariff filings to the Commission whenever they intend to change their rates, terms, or conditions of service.

This filing complies with the above cited provisions of Section H of the Price Plan and do not exceed the rate increases allowed for Other Services.

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