## OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION (INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE)

DATE:	March 12, 2018
TO:	File through Bryan Conway and Bruce Hellebuyer
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**SUBJECT:** Frontier Telecommunications Northwest Inc.: (Docket No. PL 88/ Advice No. 052SPL) Grandfathers four business bundles.

I have reviewed this filing and recommend that an acknowledgement letter be sent. With this filing, Frontier Telecommunications Northwest Inc. (Frontier) proposes to grandfather Frontier Simply Unlimited Service-Leader, Frontier Simply Unlimited Service-Challenger, Frontier Business Nationwide Unlimited Service II, and Frontier Business Local Unlimited II.

## Applicable 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. Section Q of Frontier's Price Plan requires Frontier to file price list changes with the Commission at least one day before the effective date of the change. The Price Plan was established by the Commission in its Order No. 14-290 (Docket UM 1677), as allowed by ORS 759.255.

Pursuant to OAR 860-032-0020(15)(a), grandfathering a service without a sunset date is not considered abandonment of service. OAR 860-032-0020(15)(b) allows a telecommunications utility to grandfather a regulated service, without a sunset date, by filing a tariff which designates the service as grandfathered. Normal tariff filing and review requirements apply to Staff's consideration of such filings, including review for whether the filing is consistent with an applicable Price Plan and relevant PUC orders.

## <u>Analysis</u>

Frontier Simply Unlimited Service-Leader, Frontier Simply Unlimited Service-Challenger, and Frontier Business Nationwide Unlimited Service II are bundled offerings available to business customers that subscribe to a maximum of twelve single party business lines per customer location. These bundles include one basic flat rate access line, custom calling features, and unlimited Extended Area Service.

Frontier Business Local Unlimited II is a package offering available to Business customers. The package includes a flat rate Basic Business Line, a combination of

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enhanced calling features, and certain designated non-regulated and price-listed services.

This filing complies with the requirements of OAR 860-032-0020. The filing proposes no sunset date for the bundled service, and the bundled service will continue to be available to existing subscribers. The filing does not affect the availability or pricing of the individual services and features that comprise the bundle, which have availability and pricing requirements under the Price Plan because they are part of a bundle.

The filing was submitted on February 12, 2018, with an effective date of February 14, 2018, and therefore complies with the requirements of ORS 759.175 and Section Q of Frontier's Price Plan.

## **Conclusion**

The filed tariff should be allowed to go into effect, and an acknowledgment letter should be sent.

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