



**OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE**

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TO: File through Bryan Conway and Bruce Hellebuyck 

FROM: Stephanie Yamada 

SUBJECT: Frontier Communications Northwest Inc.: (Docket No. PL 97/Advice No. 055SPL) Establishes a promotional offering for new Digital Phone customers who purchase qualifying broadband services.

I have reviewed this filing and recommend that an acknowledgement letter be sent. With this filing, Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. (Frontier) proposes to establish a promotional offering for new Digital Phone customers who purchase qualifying broadband services. This filing was submitted on July 19, 2018, with an effective date of July 22, 2018.

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. Frontier is also regulated under a Price Plan pursuant to ORS 759.255 and Order No. 14-290, issued August 18, 2014. Section S of Frontier's Price Plan allows Frontier to offer promotions pursuant to ORS 759.182 and 759.267.

ORS 759.267 allows a telecommunications utility to promote its services by offering a waiver of all or part of a nonrecurring charge. Pursuant to 759.182, service promotion rate schedules become effective upon filing with the Commission.

OAR 860-026-0025 prohibits large telecommunications utilities from promoting a regulated service for more than 180 days in any 12-month period.

Analysis

The proposed promotion relates to Frontier Digital Phone Essentials and Frontier Digital Phone Unlimited Plus (Challenger), both of which are bundle offerings available to residential customers. The bundles include at least one residential local exchange access line, unlimited Extended Area Service, and a selection of local features. The standard price for each of the two bundles is \$21.99 per month. Customers may also purchase a package of additional features for an additional charge.

The proposed promotion, which will be effective July 22, 2018, through October 19, 2018, will be available to new Digital Phone Essentials or Digital Phone Unlimited Plus

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(Challenger) customers who purchase qualifying broadband services. Under the promotion, those customers would have standard non-recurring charges waived for the initial set up and a monthly rate of \$19.99 for two years. The duration of the promotion is 89 days, which complies with the 180-day requirement of OAR 860-026-0025.

Conclusion

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

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