OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: October 22, 2019

TO: File through Bryan Conway and Bruce Hellebuyck

FROM: Malia Brock Mb

SUBJECT: <u>FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS NORTHWEST INC</u>: (Docket No. PL 140/Advice No. 065SPL) Increases rates for Directory Listings.

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 rates for Directory Listings. The filing was submitted on October 17, 2019, and went into effect on October 20, 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. On August 17, 2018, with Order 18-303 (Docket No. UM 1895), the Commission approved a Price Plan to both Frontier and its affiliate, Citizens Telecommunication Company of Oregon (Citizens) allowed by ORS 759.255.¹

Pursuant to Order No. 18-303, Section B, No. 6., of the Price Plan, the first Directory Listing is included with primary line telephone service (including primary lines within Packages and Bundles), and the second and any other additional listings are subject to price caps that may be increased by up to 25 percent annually.

Analysis

Frontier has implemented the following rate increases:

Service	Old Rate	New Rate	Incr. (\$)	Incr. (%)
Directory Listings - Additional Listing	\$3.50	\$4.00	\$0.50	14.3%
Directory Listings - Foreign Exchange Listing	\$3.50	\$4.00	\$0.50	14.3%
Directory Listings - Extra Lines of Information	\$3.50	\$4.00	\$0.50	14.3%

Frontier's pricing flexibility for the services shown above is dictated by Section B of the Price Plan. This represents the first increase filing under terms of the latest Price Plan. The price increases shown above do not exceed 25% of the annual rate.

¹ Order No. 18-303 was amended on February 14, 2019, with Order No. 19-038.

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Compliance

This filing complies with the Price Plan. Frontier states that customers were provided notice of the rate increases 30 days before the effective date of the increase. Furthermore, the filing was submitted more than one day prior to its effective date and therefore complies with the requirements of ORS 759.175 and Section 9.a.ii of the Price Plan.

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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