ORDER NO. 24-137

ENTERED May 13 2024

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1908, UM 2206

In the Matters of

LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES,

Proposed Commission Action Pursuant to ORS 756.515 to Suspend and Investigate Price Plan (UM 1908), and ORDER

QWEST CORPORATION,

Investigation Regarding the Provision of Service in Jacksonville, Oregon and Surrounding Areas (UM 2206).

Price Plan Investigation.

DISPOSITION: PRICE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION EXTENDED; ORDER NO. 22-340 FURTHER AMENDED

On May 10, 2024, Lumen Technologies'¹ filed a request to extend the company's current price plan, which is set to expire on May 15, 2024.² Lumen states that it requires additional time to implement the terms of the stipulation adopted and modified by the Commission in Order No. 24-041³ and requests that the Commission extend the price plan through August 1, 2024. Lumen also requests that the Commission confirm that the 2024 Price Plan will be effective immediately upon termination of the 2018 Price Plan.

The Chief Administrative Law Judge has been delegated the authority to modify timelines specified in a Commission order.⁴ Exercising that authority, I find good cause to further amend Order No. 22-340 to extend the original term of Lumen's price plan through August 1, 2024. The 2024 Price Plan set forth in the terms of the stipulation

¹ Formerly known as Qwest Corporation, United Telephone Company of the Northwest, CenturyTel of Oregon, and CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon.

² Order No. 24-059 (Feb. 29, 2024).

³ Order No. 24-041 (Feb. 9, 2024).

⁴ See In the Matter of Public Utility Commission of Oregon, The Delegation of Certain Duties and Powers of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon, Docket No. CD 26, Order No. 23-321, Appendix E (Sept. 6, 2023).

adopted and modified by the Commission in Order No. 24-041 and the compliance filing adopted by the Commission in Order No. 24-113⁵ will be effective immediately upon termination of the 2018 Price Plan.⁶

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. The first numbered sentence of the Staff proposed Commission Motion on page 9 of Appendix A to Order No. 22-340 is modified to read "Modify Lumen's Price Plan to extend the original term of four years through August 1, 2024."
- 2. The remainder of Order No. 22-340 is unchanged.

Made, entered, and effective May 13, 2024

Jan M.

Nolan Moser Chief Administrative Law Judge



A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order under ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-001-0720. A copy of the request must also be served on each party to the proceedings as provided in OAR 860-001-0180(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480 through 183.484.

⁵ Order No. 24-113 (Apr. 30, 2024).

⁶ The stipulation filed by the stipulating parties states that the price plan would become effective immediately following the Commission's approval of this Stipulation and the Price Plan. Order No. 24-041, Appendix A at 2. Following the Commission's adoption with modifications, CenturyLink has requested extensions of the 2018 price plan to ensure it had time to implement the provisions of the new price plan. The requested and granted extensions of the price plan extended the effective term of the 2018 price plan with the stipulated price plan to become effective immediately upon expiration.