ORDER NO. 11 070

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of	
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON	ORDER
Staff investigation of the Oregon Universal Service Fund.	

DISPOSITION: DEADLINE FOR FILING OF SEMIANNUAL REPORTS STAYED

On December 28, 2010, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) issued an order in this docket adopting interim reporting requirements to promote the transparency and accountability of the Oregon Universal Service Fund (OUSF). Order No. 10-496 required that beginning on March 1, 2011, non-rural companies submit semiannual reports to the Commission to show that funds received from the OUSF were used in areas with demonstrably higher installation and maintenance costs, and to provide supporting documentation to facilitate any audit performed by Commission Staff.

On February 22, 2011, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. (Frontier) filed a joint motion for reconsideration and stay of Order No. 10-496. Qwest and Frontier request that the Commission reconsider and stay the newly imposed requirement that the companies begin submitting semiannual reports, beginning March 1, 2011.

Qwest's and Frontier's motion for reconsideration and stay of Order No. 10-496 is currently under consideration. Responses to the motion are due March 9, 2011. To allow for full consideration of this matter, the Commission will stay the March 1, 2011 filing date for the submission of semiannual reports. Non-rural companies are not required to file a semiannual report as described in Order No. 10-496 until the Commission has addressed the motion for reconsideration and stay.

IT IS ORDERED that the March 1, 2011 deadline for submission of semiannual reports required by Order No. 10-496, is stayed pending resolution of Qwest's Motion for Reconsideration and Stay of Order No. 10-496, filed February 22, 2011.

Made, entered, and effective   **FEB 28 2011**   .

Michael Grant
Chief Administrative Law Judge
Administrative Hearings Division