BEFORE THE WASHINGTON

UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of Frontier Communications Northwest, Inc.'s Petition to be Regulated as a Competitive Telecommunications Company Pursuant to RCW 80.26.320

DOCKET NO. UT-121994 PETITION TO INTERVENE OF CHARTER FIBERLINK WA-CCVII

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-355, Charter Fiberlink WA-CCVII, LLC ("Charter") hereby petitions the Commission for leave to intervene in the above-referenced docket. As grounds for intervention, Charter states as follows:

- Charter is a registered and competitively classified telecommunications service provider authorized to provide both intraexchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout Washington. Charter currently provides competitive services in portions of the state of Washington, including in some of the areas served by Frontier Corporation ("Frontier").
- In addition, Charter also obtains interconnection and related wholesale services and facilities from Frontier in Washington. Charter utilizes those interconnection and wholesale services as essential inputs into the services that Charter provides in Washington.
- For these reasons, Charter has a substantial interest in Frontier's request to reclassify its service offering pursuant to RCW 80.36.320 and WAC 480-121-061.
 Frontier's status as the incumbent local exchange carrier ("ILEC") in the 102 wire centers

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it serves in Washington reflects long-standing law and policy concerning the obligations of incumbent service providers. Charter seeks to intervene and participate in this proceeding to ensure that the proposed reclassification will not adversely impact Charter's rights and ability to obtain the interconnection and related wholesale services and facilities it needs to provide its competitive services in Washington.

4. The evidence, if any, and briefing presented by Charter will be of material value to the Commission in its determination of the issues involved in this proceeding, and it's intervention will not broaden those issues or delay the proceedings.

5. The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of the persons to whom communications should be addressed are:

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WHEREFORE, Charter prays for leave to intervene as a party to this proceeding, with a right to discovery, to have notice of and appear at the taking of testimony, to produce and cross-examine witnesses, and to be heard in person or by counsel on brief and at oral argument. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 8th day of February, 2013.

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