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Gregory J. Kopta
Administrative Law Judge
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop S.E.
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RE: *In re Joint Application of Northwest Fiber, LLC, Frontier Communications Corporation,
and Frontier Communications ILEC Holdings LLC – Proposed Settlement Procedural
Schedule*
Docket UT-190574

Dear Judge Kopta:

This letter is to notify the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) that the parties have agreed to the proposed procedural schedule attached.¹ The parties are in agreement to the dates in the proposed schedule, with the following exceptions.

First, Public Counsel's agreement to the stipulation is contingent upon final review and approval from their office, which is not complete. The parties will inform the Commission in the event Public Counsel is unable to join the settlement.

Second, the Joint Applicants will request that the Commission consider the settlement agreement on a paper record. In the alternative, the Joint Applicants will request that the Commission set a new hearing date as soon as possible. Staff does not support either request, and notes that a new hearing date would need to be set with sufficient time for the parties to prepare for a hearing, which is unlikely given scheduling conflicts.

¹ Staff was unable to reach the US Dept. of Defense representative to ensure that they were in agreement with the latest changes in the proposed schedule. Based on prior communications, Staff believes they would be neutral or in agreement.

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Sincerely,

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