

STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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September 17, 2013

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE ANSWER TO FRONTIER'S PETITION TO MODIFY THE JOINT APPLICANTS/STAFF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

(By Monday, September 30, 2013)

RE: In the Matter of the Joint Application of VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS, INC., and FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION For an Order Declining to Assert Jurisdiction Over or, in the Alternative, Approving the Indirect Transfer of Verizon Northwest Inc., Docket UT-090842

TO ALL PARTIES:

On April 16, 2010, the Washington Utilities and Transportation (Commission) entered its Order 06, Final Order Approving and Adopting, Subject to Conditions, Multiparty Settlement Agreements and Authorizing Transaction in Docket UT-090842 (Order 06). Order 06, among other things, approved and adopted subject to conditions five Settlement Agreements proposed by all parties except Public Counsel and the Broadband Communications Association of Washington and authorized the indirect transfer of Verizon Northwest, Inc., from Verizon Communications, Inc., to Frontier Communications Corp. (Frontier).

On September 16, 2013, Frontier filed a petition to modify the Settlement Agreement between Commission Staff and Frontier (Petition). Specifically, Frontier petitions for certain specified modifications in response to changing market and operational conditions that Frontier asserts serve to encourage the company to explore new options to serve its customers while still operating in the public interest.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That written responses to Frontier's Petition are due no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, September 30, 2013.

GREGORY J. KOPTA Administrative Law Judge