

**STATE OF WASHINGTON**

UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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October 4, 2013

**NOTICE CANCELLING DEADLINE TO FILE ANSWER TO FRONTIER’S**

**PETITION TO MODIFY THE JOINT APPLICANTS/STAFF**

**SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

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). On September 16, 2013, Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. (Frontier) filed a petition to modify the Settlement Agreement between Commission Staff and Frontier (Petition) that the Commission approved with conditions in Order 06. The Commission issued a notice on September 17, 2013, providing parties with an opportunity to file answers to the Petition by September 30, 2013, and issued a second notice on September 27, 2013, extending the deadline further to October 7, 2013.

On October 4, 2013, Commission Staff (Staff) informally notified the Commission that Staff, along with Frontier and the Public Counsel Division of the Washington Attorney General’s Office have reached a resolution in this matter and that they expect Frontier to file an amended petition reflecting that agreement. Accordingly, Staff requests that the deadline for filing answers to the original Petition be suspended until parties can determine whether they need to respond to the amended petition. The Commission finds good cause to cancel that deadline and will take no action on the Petition pending further action by the parties.

**THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the October 7, 2013, deadline to file written responses to Frontier’s Petition is cancelled.**

GREGORY J. KOPTA

Administrative Law Judge