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Mr. Dave Danner
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Subject: Interconnection Agreement between Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. and Ionex Communications North, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications

Dear Mr. Danner:

Enclosed for filing is an interconnection agreement between Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. ("FC Northwest") and Ionex Communications North, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications. This new agreement replaces the agreement approved by the Commission on January 31, 2001 in Docket No. UT-003100. The previous agreement expired on February 28, 2006. Also enclosed is the commission's Request for Approval form, which describes the agreement.

The enclosed agreement does not discriminate against non-party carriers, is consistent with state and federal law, and is in the public interest. FC Northwest requests that the Commission approve this agreement expeditiously.

If you have any questions about this filing, please call me at 972-456-7551 or email me at kimberly.a.douglass@ftr.com.

Sincerely,

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