Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. ("Frontier" or the "Company") submits the following reports in accordance with WAC 480-123-070 and WAC 480-123-080.

### WAC 480-123-070(1) – Report on Use of Federal Funds and Benefits to Customers:

(a) The report must provide a substantive description of investments made and expenses paid with support from the federal high-cost fund. The report must include the company's gross capital expenditures and operating expenses made with federal high-cost support received by the ETC in the preceding calendar year along with a description of major projects and affected exchanges. A rate of return wireline ETC must also include a copy of its NECA-1 report for the preceding calendar year.

## **ANSWER:**

In 2015 Frontier in Washington received \$11,146,389 in federal high cost and Connect America Fund support. These funds, along with other revenues, enabled the Company to continue to provide services at a level that meets the intent set forth in 47 U.S.C. §254. Examples of the amount of investments made and expenses incurred by the Company in 2015 are:

See Attachment A for a list of major projects and affected exchanges.

(b) Every ETC must provide a substantive description of the benefits to consumers that resulted from the investments and expenses reported pursuant to (a) of this subsection.

### **ANSWER:**

These investments and expenditures generally benefit all customers receiving the federal high cost supported services from the Company within its designated service area.

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#### WAC 480-123-070(2) - Local service outage report.

(a) The report must include detailed information on any outage in the service area (during the prior calendar year) of at least thirty minutes in duration in which the ETC owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes facilities, that potentially affect:

(i) At least ten percent of the end users; or

(ii) A 911 special facility, as defined in 47 C.F.R. Sec. 4.5(e).

(b) Specifically, the eligible telecommunications carrier's annual report must include information detailing:

(i) The date and time of onset and duration of the outage;

- (ii) A brief description of the outage and its resolution;
- (iii) The particular services affected;
- (iv) The geographic areas affected by the outage;
- (v) Steps taken to prevent a similar situation in the future; and
- (vi) The number of customers affected.

#### **ANSWER:**

The requested information is included on the FCC Form 481 filed in Docket UT-160030 on June 27, 2016.

### WAC 480-123-070(3) – Report on failure to provide service.

The report must include the number of requests for service from potential customers within its designated service area that were unfulfilled during the prior calendar year. The ETC must also detail how it attempted to provide service to those potential customers.

#### **ANSWER:**

The requested information is included on the FCC Form 481 filed in Docket UT-160030 on June 27, 2016.

# WAC 480-123-070(4) – Report on complaints per one thousand connections (fixed or mobile).

The report must provide separate totals for the number of complaints that the ETC's customers made to the Federal Communications Commission and the consumer protection division of the office of the attorney general of Washington. The ETC must also report the number of consumer complaints in each general category (for example, billing disputes, service quality).

### **ANSWER:**

Frontier reports that it is aware of 126 complaints made during 2015 to the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") and 87 complaints to the Washington Attorney General ("AG"). This corresponds to a number of complaints per 1,000 lines of approximately 0.08.

See Attachment B for a summary of complaints.

# WAC 480-123-070(5) – Certification of compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules.

Certify that it met substantially the applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules found in WAC 480-123-030 (1)(h).

### **ANSWER:**

See attached affidavits.

#### WAC 480-123-070(6) – Certification of ability to function in emergency situations.

Certify that it had the ability to function in emergency situations based on continued adherence to the standards found in WAC 480-123-030(1)(g).

#### **ANSWER:**

See attached affidavits.

# WAC 480-123-070(7) – Advertising certification, including advertisement on Indian reservations.

Certify it has publicized the availability of its applicable telephone assistance programs, such as Lifeline, in a manner reasonably designed to reach those likely to qualify for service, including residents of federally recognized Indian reservations within the ETC's designated service area. Such publicity should include advertisements likely to reach those who are not current customers of the ETC within its designated service area.

### **ANSWER:**

See attached affidavits.

## WAC 480-123-080(1) – Annual Plan for Universal Service Support Expenditures.

(1) Not later than July 1st of each year, every ETC that receives federal support from any category in the federal high-cost fund must report the planned use of federal support related to Washington state that will be received during the coming calendar year. The report must include the company's planned gross capital expenditures and operating expenses made with federal high-cost support received by the ETC for the coming calendar year along with a description of major projects and affected exchanges.

## **ANSWER:**

For 2017, the Company will use any federal high-cost support and other revenues to continue to provide services at a level that meets the intent set forth in 47 U.S.C. §254. The nature and magnitude of its investments and expenditures are anticipated to be similar to those for the prior period. They are expected to benefit customers generally by helping enable the Company to continue to provide good quality supported services.

(2) The report must include a substantive plan of the investments and expenditures to be made with federal support and a substantive description of how those investments and expenditures will benefit customers.

### **ANSWER:**

The investments and expenditures to be made with federal support are expected to benefit customers generally by helping enable the Company to continue to provide good quality supported services.