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Steven V. King, Acting Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW  
P. O. Box 47250  
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: *Frontier Communications Northwest, Inc. Petition*  
Docket UT-121994

Dear Mr. King:

Pursuant to the Notice of Tentative Rejection of Settlement Agreement, served June 3, 2013, (Notice) Staff of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) submits the following position statement.

In its Notice, the Commission seeks information as to whether any of the parties to the Agreement would seek a hearing to cross examine witnesses in the event that the Commission rejects the Agreement. Commission Staff (Staff) does not intend to seek an evidentiary hearing and responds below to the Commission's three specific inquiries:

1. If an evidentiary hearing is held, Staff agrees to waive cross-examination of witnesses who sponsored the prefiled testimony and exhibits that have been admitted into the record.
2. Because Staff is willing to waive cross-examination, Staff is not identifying any witnesses Staff would seek to cross-examine.
3. Staff does not object to Commission consideration of (a) the testimony filed or otherwise presented in support of the Agreement, or (b) the provisions of the Agreement.

Sincerely,

JENNIFER CAMERON-RULKOWSKI  
Assistant Attorney General

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cc: Parties