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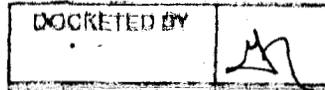
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June 19, 2014

Docket Control  
Arizona Corporation Commission  
1200 W. Washington  
Phoenix, AZ 85007



Re: In the Matter of the Adoption of the Reciprocal Compensation Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Frontier Communications of the Southwest, Inc. and Ernest Communications, Inc. T-20680A-14-0206  
T-03631A-14-0206

Accompanying this transmittal is an Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Frontier Communications of the Southwest, Inc. ("Frontier") and Ernest Communications, Inc. ("CLEC"). Frontier files this Amendment for approval under 47 U.S.C. §252(e) and A.A.C. R14-2-1508.

On December 23, 2011, the FCC released the USF/ICC Transformation Order on Reconsideration (FCC 11-161) in which it determined that the default intercarrier compensation methodology for all non-access telecommunications traffic exchanged between Local Exchange Carriers (LECs) and Competitive LECs would transition to bill and keep over six years beginning July 1, 2012. The FCC urged all parties with interconnection agreements to hold discussions regarding change of law provisions, if applicable. The attached amendment for reciprocal compensation has been executed in accordance with the FCC's Order.

The original Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Commission by operation of law on October 14, 2003, in Docket No. T-01846B-03-0488, and assumed by Frontier subject to ACC Decision No. 71486. Please contact me at (425) 261-5855, or kirk.lee@ftr.com, if you have any questions concerning the enclosed. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

R. Kirk Lee  
Manager-Govt. & External Affairs  
Frontier Communications  
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Everett, WA 98203

Original + 13 copies filed



May 9, 2012

Sent Via First Class Mail

Ernest Communications Inc.  
Paul Masters  
5275 Triangle Parkway  
Suite 150  
Norcross, GA 30092

Re: Request for Amendment to Interconnection Agreements with Frontier Communications Corporation, including its subsidiaries and affiliates in the states of AL, AZ, CA, FL, GA, IA, ID, IL, IN, MI, MN, MS, NC, NE, NV, NY, NM, OH, OR, PA, SC, TN, UT, WA, WI, WV for all non-CMRS traffic.

Dear Carrier:

On November 18, 2011, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") released an order that makes sweeping changes to the laws governing universal service and intercarrier compensation on December 23, 2011, the FCC released the USF/ICC Transformation Order on Reconsideration (*USF/ICC Transformation Order FCC 11-161*), in which it determined that the default intercarrier compensation methodology for all non-access telecommunications traffic exchanged between carriers and competitive Local Exchange Carriers will transition to bill and keep over the next six years beginning July 1, 2012 and the FCC urged all parties with interconnection agreements to immediately begin preparations for the July 1 effective date, including commencing discussions regarding change of law provisions, if applicable.

To this end, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the interconnection, traffic exchange, transport and termination agreements with Frontier Communications Corporation, including its subsidiaries and affiliates ("Frontier"), in the above captioned states, the ICC Transformation Orders, FCC rules, and all the applicable provisions of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, Frontier hereby requests your agreement by signature in the space provided below incorporating paragraph one, as the next amendment in sequence to your underlying interconnection agreement, reflecting implementation of the FCC's Intercarrier Compensation Reform Timeline, with an effective date of July 1, 2012.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows

1. Reciprocal Compensation. Reciprocal compensation rates in this Agreement will be phased down as provided in the *USF/ICC Transformation Order FCC 11-161 (rel. November 18, 2011)* as such order may be revised, reconsidered, modified or

changed in the future. When any such revisions, reconsiderations, modifications or changes are effective, such action shall be automatically incorporated into the Agreement. For clarity, Reciprocal compensation rates are capped effective immediately and subject to reductions pursuant to the FCC's Reform Timeline as outlined in paragraph 801 of FCC 11-161, or as such Reform Timeline may be revised, reconsidered, modified or changed in the future.

Please return this letter to the following address below within 14 business days of receipt to ensure a timely filing by Frontier on or before the effective date.

Frontier Communications  
Attn: Director, Business Operations – Carrier Services  
FCC ICC Amendment  
180 S. Clinton Avenue  
Rochester, NY 14646

Or email signature page via pdf to (all states except NV):

[Roderick.cameron@ftr.com](mailto:Roderick.cameron@ftr.com)

Subject line – CLEC FCC ICC Amendment – Executed by “insert Company name”

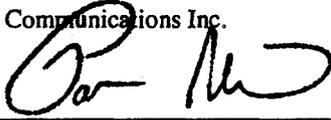
Sincerely,



Stephen LeVan  
SVP, Carrier Sales and Services

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Carrier's signature below is confirmation and agreement to the terms above as of the Amendment Effective Date.

Ernest Communications Inc.

By: 

Printed: Paul Masters

Title: President

Date: 5.21.12