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January 14, 2019

Cynthia Walker
Director, Communications Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: Compliance with D.18-12-018 – Reporting of CAF II

Dear Ms. Walker:

Citizens Telecommunications Company of California Inc. d/b/a Frontier Communications of California (U-1024-C), Frontier Communications of the Southwest Inc. (U-1026-C) and Frontier California, Inc. (U-1002-C) (Collectively, Frontier) hereby reports to the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) its broadband deployment of Connect America Fund Phase II (CAF II) census blocks in compliance with D.18-12-018 (Decision) issued December 12, 2018.

As required in this Decision, Frontier submits "Attachment A" which lists the census blocks where its CAF II locations have been completed.¹ In December of 2015, the Commission approved Frontier's acquisition of Verizon California (D.15-12-005), wherein Frontier committed to accept \$228 million in federal funding to expand broadband to 900,000 CAF II locations in California by the end of 2020. This FCC commitment set forth explicit deployment milestones that are required to be met each year. At this time Frontier does not have any plans to forfeit any remaining CAF II locations, therefore rendering those areas still to be completed and treated as ineligible for CASF funding pursuant to PUC Code Section 281(f).²

¹ D.18-12-018, Page 54: "Therefore, by January 15, 2019 providers must submit a report that details the completed CAF II blocks, the census blocks with locations that the provider has elected not to build to (and therefore may be eligible for CASF funding) and the blocks the provider has not determined if it will build. This report will be submitted annually on January 15 to allow time for competitors and incumbents to formulate applications by the April 1 application deadline, as requested by several parties."

² PUC Section 281(f)(5)(C)(i): "Except as provided in clause (ii), until July 1, 2020, the project is not located in a census block where an existing facility-based broadband provider has accepted federal funds for broadband deployment from Phase II of the Connect America Fund, unless the existing facility-based broadband provider has notified the commission before July 1, 2020, that it has completed its Connect America Fund deployment in the census block."

Frontier looks forward to continued work with the Commission to participate in state and federal universal service programs to help close the Digital Divide in California.

Please contact Amy Warshauer with any questions at amy.warshauer@ftr.com.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charlie Born", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Charlie Born
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Cc: Rob Wullenjohn, Director, Communications Division