

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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FROM: GRACE SEAMAN

DATE: AUGUST 1, 2012

RE: FRONTIER COMMUNICATION'S APPLICATION TO AMEND AN
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH NOS COMMUNICATIONS;
CASE NO. VZN-T-01-10.

BACKGROUND

Under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, interconnection agreements must be submitted to the Commission for approval. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1). The Commission may reject an agreement adopted by negotiations only if it finds that the agreement: (1) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or (2) implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A).

CURRENT APPLICATION


On July 19, 2012, Frontier Communications submitted an Application for approval of an Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement with NOS Communications, approved by the Commission on July 25, 2001. *See* Order No. 28790. In this Application, the parties request that the Commission approve the amended terms and conditions to comply with the FCC's USF/ICC Transformation Order on Reconsideration, released on December 23, 2011 and the *USF/ICC Transformation Order* FCC 11-161. In this Application, the interconnection agreement is amended (with a July 1, 2012 effective date) to change the reciprocal compensation methodology and to automatically incorporate any future revisions, reconsiderations, modifications or changes required by the FCC.

STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Application and does not find that any terms or conditions are discriminatory or contrary to the public interest. Staff believes the Application is consistent with the FCC orders and pro-competitive policies of this Commission, the Idaho Legislature, and the federal Telecommunications Act. Accordingly, Staff recommends Commission approval of the Application for Approval of Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?


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