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STATE OF MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

NOTICE OF TIME EXTENSION

Issued: December 19, 2014

In the matter of a Petition by Frontier Communications of Minnesota, Inc. for Approval of its Revised Alternative Regulation (AFOR) Plan.

PUC Docket Number: P405/AR-14-735

Extension Period: closes **January 8, 2015** at 4:30pm

*Documents must be received by 4:30pm on the close date
Documents received after close date will not be accepted*

Background

On October 10, 2014, the Commission issued its "Order Adopting Procedures and Requiring Settlement Conference" in the above-referenced docket. In that order, the Commission gave instructions to convene a settlement conference and delegated to the Executive Secretary the authority to vary time periods or require other procedures as necessary to facilitate final action on the case by the statutory deadline. The Commission's Order required the Parties to conduct initial settlement discussions within ten days of the Order, and to submit any resulting settlement agreement, or final comments, by December 19, 2014.

On December 18, 2014, the Department and Frontier filed a letter indicating that they are engaged in ongoing settlement discussions which, while productive, will not be completed by December 19, 2014. The Department and Frontier agree that with additional time and continued negotiation, it may be possible to resolve or significantly narrow the outstanding issues and requesting a 20 day extension of the December 19, 2014 deadline to January 8, 2015.

Notice of Time Extension

The Commission grants the requested 20 day extension of the December 19, 2014 deadline to January 8, 2015 for submission of any settlement agreement or final comments. The Commission cautions that the current extension disrupts the Commission's calendar, and that further requests for extensions, or significant unresolved issues, may necessitate scheduling this matter for Commission consideration in March 2014.

Questions regarding this notice may be directed to Michael McCarthy at michael.mccarthy@state.mn.us or 651-297-7073.

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