

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
Connect America Fund A National Broadband Plan) WC Docket No. 10-90
for Our Future High-Cost Universal Service Support)

**COMMENTS OF FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS
CORPORATION**

Frontier Communications Corporation (“Frontier”) hereby submits comments to the August 10, 2016, *Public Notice* in the above-referenced docket.¹ Specifically, pursuant to the instructions in the *Public Notice*,² Frontier is submitting the attached list of census blocks. This list reflects census blocks in Frontier’s footprint that should be removed from the FCC’s preliminary auction list because Frontier offers broadband in these census blocks at speeds of 10/1 Mbps or greater, with a usage allowance greater than 150 GBs, at a price below the Commission’s current reasonable comparability benchmark, and with latency not exceeding 100 milliseconds.³ This list of census blocks reflects Frontier’s most recently available deployment data (as of August 25, 2015), and Frontier is in the process of updating its Form 477 under FRN 0003576352.

Additionally, to the extent feasible, Frontier requests a final opportunity to submit census blocks closer to the date of the auction (e.g., 30 days prior to the release of the final census block list). In particular, Frontier continues to build out aggressively under the Connect America Fund

¹ *Wireline Competition Bureau Releases Preliminary List and Map of Eligible Census Blocks for the Connect America Phase II Auction*, Public Notice, DA 16-908 (August 10, 2016) (“*Public Notice*”).

² *Id.* at 4.

³ *See id.*

("CAF") program, and there are likely still to be a small but substantial additional number of census blocks on the Commission's preliminary auction list that Frontier may commence serving prior to the auction. By reducing the time between this final submission of census blocks and the beginning of the auction, the Commission can best preserve limited CAF funding resources for much needed broadband deployment and reduce the potential for unnecessary overbuilding in additional areas that may receive 10/1 Mbps prior to the auction.

Respectfully submitted,

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