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The Honorable Robert Byrd
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Byrd

I live in Daniels WV and am a member of the Communication Workers of America, I work for Verizon & have for over 19 years. I am very concerned about the proposed Verizon Frontier deal and am asking for your help to protect West Virginia.

I am worried about my job. No matter what Verizon or Frontier may say, companies that are facing high debt and bad economic times often cut expenses by reducing jobs. In these difficult economic times I do not want to face unemployment. In addition I know that it is important to my community to have increased access to high speed internet. Right now, my fellow employees and I are proud to deliver quality services and skills that benefit the residents of our great state. We want to keep being able to do so. If this tax subsidized sale goes through, I am afraid the quality jobs and investment in high speed fiber needed

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prompting an unprecedented number of complaints to state regulatory
From frustrated customers. Hawaiian Telecom, the company to which Verizon sold its
Hawaii operations in 2006, filed for bankruptcy. Is this what we want for West Virginia?
WV deserves a world class communications network, and this proposed deal takes us
backward.

Don't let Verizon make billions by abandoning millions of consumers and thousands of
workers. For over a hundred years, ratepayers have generated billions upon billions
of dollars that allowed the phone company to prosper. Now Verizon will abandon them
dump billions of dollars of debt onto a financially weaker Frontier, and get subsidized
to do it. Verizon only picked Frontier to spin off their communication system, so Verizon
could use a tax loophole known as the "Reverse Morris Trust" and keep \$3.3 billion
tax free. Taxpayers - including us - are subsidizing Verizon to abandon West Virginia!

We, in CWA, are asking you to introduce legislation that will close the tax loophole
(known as the Reverse Morris Trust). We should be encouraging investment in infrastructure,
not speculative paper transactions that could put workers at risk. The people of West
Virginia need your support!

Please stand up for us and act strongly to protect West Virginia.

Sincerely,



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Dear Senator Byrd:

I live in NITRO, WV and am a member of the Communication Workers of America, employed by VERIZON of WEST VIRGINIA.

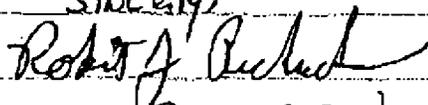
I am writing to you to ask for your HELP to protect West Virginia. I know that it is important to my community to have increased access to high speed internet.

THAT IS what my coworkers and I do very well. The most reliable internet in the nation, as well as quality telephone service. We want to be able to continue to do so.

However, I am worried about my job. I do not want to face unemployment. I do not feel that Frontier is capable of providing good jobs and broadband deployment ever if they say they will.

Furthermore, I am asking you to close the tax loop hole (Reverse Morris Trust,) which will prevent investments in infrastructure, and put workers at risk.

Sincerely,



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Dear Senator Byrd:

I am a CWA member in the Huntington, WV area, and I have concerns for my job with the upcoming Verizon-Frontier sale. This sale will affect all areas of West Virginia from service to individual families. Looking at the proposed information, I do not understand how or why it's beneficial for a company to take on an extra \$3 billion debt. The company (Verizon) has made promises to the state, and will not fulfill them now. I am requesting your intervention on this matter, not for myself, but for all West Virginians.

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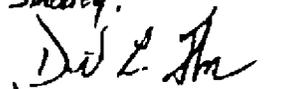
Dear Senator Byrd:

I live in Hurricane, WV and am a member of the Communications Workers of America. I am currently employed by Verizon and very concerned about the current situation of Verizon in West Virginia.

I was born and raised in West Virginia, and lived most of my life here. People don't relocate to West Virginia. People chose to stay in West Virginia. I have an Electrical Engineering degree and chose to stay and live and work in West Virginia. I didn't go to Northern Virginia, Charlotte, Pittsburgh, or Cincinnati to work for more money. Verizon has provided the opportunity to stay here, but now they decided they don't have any interest here. Please don't let them leave and force me to leave my home state that I love and want to support.

As most people know West Virginia is at a disadvantage when competing for jobs with corporate America. They are just not here, so don't make it easy for the ones here to leave. With the current state of the economy, what are we to think. We need your help and influence. The CWA always supports the democrats and pushes a democratic vote. Now is the time to see if all those votes are going to pay dividends. Please familiarize yourself with this backroom deal that Verizon and Frontier are trying to pass off as legit. We need your support!

Sincerely,



David L. Thompson

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Dear Senator Byrd

I live in Ona, West Virginia and am a Verizon employee and a member of the Communications Workers of America. I am very concerned about the proposed Verizon / Frontier deal and am asking for your help to protect West Virginia.

I am very worried about my job and the jobs of all Verizon employees in this great state. Jobs with good pay and benefits will be disappearing. Can West Virginia afford to lose more good jobs in this state. Not only will good jobs be vanishing but so will quality service. Frontier will be left with high debt and bad economic times. How can a company succeed if it is already starting out in extreme debt. Verizon made a lot of promises to the people of this state to upgrade its plant and infrastructure. Why should Verizon get to go thru a tax loophole and get away from not keeping their word to provide the best services to the people of West Virginia.

We people of West Virginia need your support.

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Sincerely
 Chad Leggett

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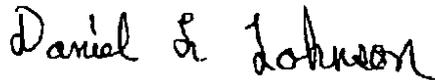
Dear Senator Byrd:

My name is Dan Johnson. I am an employee of Verizon in West Virginia. I am a member of Communications Workers of America Local 2009 in Huntington, WV. I am writing you to voice my concern over the proposed sale of Verizon WV to Frontier. Please ask yourself these questions. Is this truly in the best interest of our state? Who will benefit the most from this lopsided deal? Can we afford to lose more good jobs in WV? These are simple questions. I have my opinion. I would like to hear yours.

President Obama promised us the "American Dream." The job I have at Verizon is the reason I am currently living the American Dream. I work hard and take pride in my job. I am able to provide for my family and live comfortably. I would like to keep it that way. Is this being selfish? Is this too much to ask? I don't think so.

I urge you to use your influence and stand on the side of the working people who elected you. I urge you to stand up against corporate greed. Don't get me wrong. I want Verizon to make money. I just want Verizon to live up to its obligations to its customers and dedicated employees.

Sincerely,



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Dear Senator Byrd,

I Live in Beckley and am a member of CWA. I am very concerned about the Frontier Verizon deal and I would ask for your help.

I myself work for Verizon. I am deeply concerned about my job and my co workers. Regardless of what either Frontier or Verizon may say companies that are having high debt in these bad economic times often cut expenses by cutting jobs. I personally do not wish to be unemployed. If this tax subsidized sale of Verizon goes through, I feel the 3.3 billion dollars of debt Frontier will assume could be more than they could withstand. With over 15 years of service at Verizon I have been proud to bring quality phone service and high speed internet to my customers. I fear with so much debt Frontier will not be able to provide the level of services Verizon does now. In addition I doubt the investment of high speed fiber needed throughout our great state will come to a halt.

We in CWA are asking you to introduce legislation that will close the tax loophole (known as the Reverse Morris Trust). The people of West Virginia need your support.

Sincerely,

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Dear Senator Byrd,

My name is Marc Johnston, and am a member of the Communications Workers of America. I have been a Verizon employee for the past 10 years. I am very concerned about the proposed merger between Frontier and Verizon, thus I am asking for your help to protect our jobs in West Virginia.

Verizon has been a good company to work for, and has a wonderful benefit package. I have two young sons, and am worried that the merger will eliminate my job, or affect my benefits and the health care coverage I depend on for the health of my kids. I am concerned Frontier will eliminate my job, I do not want Frontier to slow the broadband development in West Virginia. I believe Verizon has the resources to bring broadband to our state. I would hate to see us fall further behind due to this merger.

I implore you to do what you can to prevent this merger. Help us keep good jobs in West Virginia, and help West Virginia increase its broadband footprint.

Marc H. Johnston

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Dear Senator Byrd,

I live in Colfax, in Marion County, in the great state of West Virginia. I am a member of the Communications Workers of America. I am writing in regards to the proposed deal between Verizon and Frontier. I am asking for your help to preserving our jobs and protecting our communication needs in the 21st century.

I am an employee with Verizon. I have been for 14 and a half years. I make a good living and pay my fair share in taxes. I am seriously opposed to the proposed merger of these 2 companies. I feel that in these trying economic times that we are living in, we can't afford to lose high paying jobs, and have them replaced with lower paying ones. Frontier has a lot of debt. I am sure that they will not keep a lot of the employees that Verizon now has. I am sure that the quality of service will drastically suffer. High speed internet service is one service in particular that will suffer greatly. Will Frontier have the resources to install fiber optics in our state? Will they have the resources to upgrade the copper land lines and maintain them? How could they? They will have to pay back billions of dollars that Verizon borrowed and then wants to keep for itself, by taking advantage of a tax loophole.

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We in the CWA are asking you to introduce legislation that will close the "Reverse Morris Trust" tax loophole. And we are asking you to take the lead in this issue and get the West Virginia delegation in the Senate and House to oppose this very risky deal. Verizon and Frontier are looking out for themselves, Please look out for your Mountaineer citizens.

May God Bless,

Sincerely,

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Dear Senator Byrd,

I live in Fairmont, WV, in Marion County, in the great state of West Virginia. I am a member of the Communications Workers of America. I am writing in regards to the proposed deal between Verizon and Frontier. I am asking for your help to preserving our jobs and protecting our communication needs in the 21st century.

I am an employee with Verizon. I have been for 7 years. I make a good living and pay my fair share in taxes. I am seriously opposed to the proposed merger of these 2 companies. I feel that in these trying economic times we are living in, we can't afford to lose high paying jobs, and have them replaced with lower paying ones. Frontier has a lot of debt. I am sure that they will not keep a lot of the employees that Verizon now has. I am sure that the quality of service will drastically suffer. High speed internet service is one service in particular that will suffer greatly. Will Frontier have the resources to install fiber optics in our state? Will they have the resources to upgrade the copper land lines and maintain them? How could they? They will have to pay back billions of dollars that Verizon borrowed and then wants to keep for itself, by taking advantage of a tax loophole.

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Sincerely,

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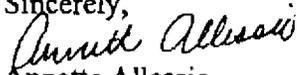
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Sincerely,


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Dear Senator Byrd,

I live in Mannington, WV, in Marion County, in the great state of West Virginia. I am a member of the Communications Workers of America. I am writing in regards to the proposed deal between Verizon and Frontier. I am asking for your help to preserving our jobs and protecting our communication needs in the 21st century.

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Sincerely,



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Dear Senator Byrd,

I live in Montana Mines, WV, in Marion County, in the great state of West Virginia. I am a member of the Communications Workers of America. I am writing in regards to the proposed deal between Verizon and Frontier. I am asking for your help to preserving our jobs and protecting our communication needs in the 21st century.

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Sincerely,


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Dear Senator Byrd,

I live in Shinnston, WV, in Harrison County, in the great state of West Virginia. I am a member of the Communications Workers of America. I am writing in regards to the proposed deal between Verizon and Frontier. I am asking for your help to preserving our jobs and protecting our communication needs in the 21st century.

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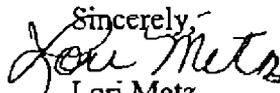
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Sincerely,

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Dear Senator Byrd,

I live in Metz WV. I am a member of CWA local in Clarksburg WV.

I am concerned about the proposed deal between Verizon and Frontier and am asking for help to protect our jobs and the economy of our state.

It is a concern as it may cause loss of jobs and revenue for our state and local communities.

It is also a concern about past sales of Verizon assets leading to bankruptcy of the buying company. Also from the technical standpoint I am not sure Frontier has the service available to deploy Fiber optic services in our area.

We would like our representatives also check into the Reverse Merger Trust to be certain this not the only reason for the business venture and in the future to set stricter guidelines if this bill is to stay active.

Thank you for your time and consideration

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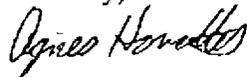
My name is Agnes Hovatter I live in Fairmont, WV, I am 60 years old. I am a member of the Communications Workers of America. I am very concerned about the proposed Verizon Frontier deal and am asking for your help to protect West Virginia. I have worked for Verizon for 20 years. I worked until I was 40 years old for minimum wage. My telephone operator job with Verizon is the best thing in my life. I am afraid if Verizon sells West Virginia to Frontier of losing my job or taking a pay and benefits cut down the road. I do not want to lose my job. I worry about losing my home, I have financed until I am 85years old.

I am worried about the future investment of high speed fiber. FIOS may not be made available in many rural and urban areas without it, it will be hard for businesses and families in West Virginia to move on economically and keep up with other areas around us and in the world .When Frontier is in debt for the purchase of the rural states how will they have the money to invest in the FIOS development that West Virginia needs. I am concerned about the future of my daughter, her husband and my grandchildren who also live in West Virginia. Now we the employees of Verizon are proud and committed to delivering quality goods and services. We would like to continue to do so. If this tax subsidized sale goes through, I feel West Virginia, quality jobs, and investment in high speed fiber needed throughout West Virginia may decline or stop.

We in CWA are asking you to introduce legislation that will close the tax loophole (known as the Reverse Morris Trust). We should be encouraging investment in infrastructure, not speculative paper transactions that could put workers at risk. The people of West Virginia need you support!

All my life I have seen people from West Virginia move to other states to find better paying jobs. Please help us keep our jobs and develop new good paying jobs in West Virginia. We desperately need your help to protect the consumers, communities, and employees!!!!

Sincerely,



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Dear Sir

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I live in Tazewell Virginia and currently work in Bradshaw West Virginia. I am a member of the Communications Workers of America. The proposed Verizon/Frontier deal has caused some great concern and I am asking for your help to protect West Virginia. I am concerned for the state of West Virginia and the jobs of the communications workers of West Virginia. With the current state of the economy and companies that are facing high debt often resort to cutting expenses therefore leading to termination of jobs and lack of quality service. I am also worried about proposed expansion of FIOS in West Virginia. Will the communications be improved or will the billions of dollars of debt accumulated affect FIOS in West Virginia and will the communities be able to continue to move forward with better service or will West Virginia take a back seat to a growing need for communication. Is the spin off of communications in West Virginia through a smaller company a result of the tax loophole known as Reverse Morris Trust. If so, are the taxpayers subsidizing Verizon to abandon West Virginia. With the spin off of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont proves that things can get much worse in the state of West Virginia. As a member of the CWA, we are asking for you to introduce legislation that will close the Reverse Morris Trust loophole so that we do not put workers and consumers at risk and encourage investment in West Virginia infrastructure. The CWA is hoping that the

West Virginia delegation in the Senate and House
will oppose this risky deal. If we the state of
West Virginia do not look out for ourselves will
the new company look out for us? We are asking
you to please protect West Virginia, its communities
and its workers.

Sincerely,

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THE HONORABLE SENATOR BYRD
UNITED STATES SENATE
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

DEAR SENATOR BYRD:

I LIVE IN MOREANTOWN, WV AND AM A
MEMBER OF THE COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS
OF AMERICA. I WORK IN CLARKSBURG, WV.

I AM VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROPOSED
VERIZON FRONTIER DEAL AND I AM ASKING
YOU FOR YOUR HELP TO PROTECT WEST VIRGINIA.

I AM CONCERNED FOR THE JOBS OF THE
WORKERS AT VERIZON AND/OR FRONTIER. I MYSELF
HAVE 40 YEARS WITH VERIZON AND WOULD STILL
LIKE TO WORK A FEW MORE YEARS BUT MY
RETIREMENT & HEALTH BENEFITS MAY NOT
BE THERE IF I STAY ON WITH FRONTIER SO
THEY ARE REALLY NOT CONSIDERING THEIR
OLDER EMPLOYEES OR EVEN ONES CLOSE TO
RETIRING - WE ARE TOLD THEY WILL HONOR
OUR CURRENT CONTRACT BUT WHAT HAPPENS
AFTER THAT.

I AM ALSO WORRIED ABOUT HOW

This proposed Business deal Might affect my community and the residents of our great STATE. WEST VIRGINIA deserves a World Class communications network and this proposed deal TAKES US BACKWARD NOT FORWARD. I can't see FRONTIER going ON WITH the FIOS service West VIRGINIA WAS told we would be getting:

VERIZON ONLY PICKED FRONTIER to spin OFF our COMMUNICATIONS system SO VERIZON could use a tax loophole known AS "REVERSE MORRIS TRUST" AND KEEP \$3.3 billion tax free. TAXPAYERS - INCLUDING US - ARE SUBSIDIZING VERIZON ONLY TO abandon this GREAT STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA!

WE IN CWA ARE ASKING you to do two things. FIRST, please INTRODUCE legislation that will close the "Reverse Morris Trust" TAX LOOPHOLE. WE NEED TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT AND NOT JUST PAPER transactions that PUT WORKERS & CONSUMERS AT RISK.

SECOND, WE HOPE WE CAN COUNT ON the delegation of West Virginia's HOUSE & SENATE to OPPOSE THIS RISKY DEAL. VERIZON and FRONTIER ARE LOOKING OUT FOR THEMSELVES, WE NEED you to LOOK OUT FOR US.

I APPRECIATE YOUR VALUABLE TIME
& FOR READING MY LETTER. Thank you
FOR Understanding and helping out. Our
FUTURE depends on this. Thank You
Again.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Robert C. Byrd

United States Senate

Washington, DC

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Dear Sen. Byrd:

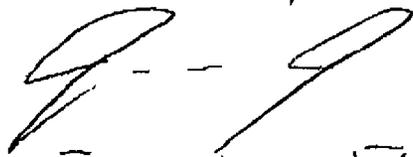
I live in Clarksburg, WV and am a member of the Communications Workers of America. I am very concerned about the proposed Verizon - Frontier Deal and am asking for your help to protect West Virginia.

I currently am employed as a member of the WV State Police and have served the citizens of WV for the last fifteen years. I have concerns that the sale of Verizon in WV will result in future job losses and a decline in customer service for our residents. The deal between Verizon and Frontier appears to only be an agreement for Verizon to take advantage of a tax loophole and keep 3.3 billion tax free dollars.

We in CWA are asking you to do two things. First, please introduce legislation that will close the reverse Morris Trust tax loophole. We should be encouraging investment in infrastructure, not speculative paper transactions that put workers and consumers at risk.

Second, we hope you will take the lead in this issue and get the West Virginia delegation in the Senate and the House to oppose this risky deal. Verizon and Frontier are looking out for themselves, we need you to look out for us.

Sincerely,



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Dear Senator Byrd

I live in Milton, West Virginia. My name is Amy Garnett and I am the spouse of a current Verizon employee.

I am concerned for the jobs of the workers at Verizon and/or Frontier. Some of them may be afraid to write to you out of concern that the company would retaliate against them for expressing their opinions. No matter what Frontier may say, companies that are facing high debt and bad economic times often cut expense by reducing good quality jobs and services.

I am also worried about how this proposed business deal might affect my community and the residents of our great state. West Virginia deserves a world class communications network and this proposed deal takes us backwards. Verizon had committed to increase fiber investment throughout West Virginia. How will Frontier expand Fios when the company will have to pay back the billions of dollars that

Verizon borrowed and then wants to keep for itself, by taking advantage of a tax loophole?

Verizon only picked Frontier to spin off our communications system so Verizon could use a tax loophole known as the "Reverse Morris Trust" and keep \$3.3 billion tax free. Taxpayers - including us - are subsidizing Verizon to abandon West Virginia.

We hope you will take the lead in this issue and get the West Virginia delegation in the Senate and the House to oppose this risky deal. Verizon and Frontier are looking out for themselves, we need you to look out for us.

Please stand up for us and act strongly to protect West Virginia.

Sincerely,

Amy Garnett

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Dear Sen. Byrd

I live in Mithow West Virginia, and am a member of the communications workers of America (CWA). I am also a 11 year employee with Verizon, with a wife and two sons that rely on me. I am also a veteran, served 4 years in the U.S. COAST Guard. My mother is also a 30+ year retiree from the company. The pending Sale/Deal between Verizon and Frontier, has my family very concerned. I am writing this letter with the hope of gaining support to stop this Deal.

With our current economic time, I find that this Deal between Verizon and Frontier will only bring additional economic hardship to our state. I cannot see how Frontier will be able to continue to provide quality service with the amount of debt they will consume with this deal. I can only assume that pay-cuts, loss of benefits, job losses, and or rate increases. (Non-~~of~~ which will be good for the working families of West Virginia.

We in the CWA are asking you to introduce legislation that would close the tax loophole (known as the Reverse Morris Trust). We should be encouraging investments in ~~the~~ infrastructure, not speculative paper transactions that could put workers at risk. The people of West Virginia need your support!

Please stand up for us and act strongly to protect West Virginia.

Sincerely



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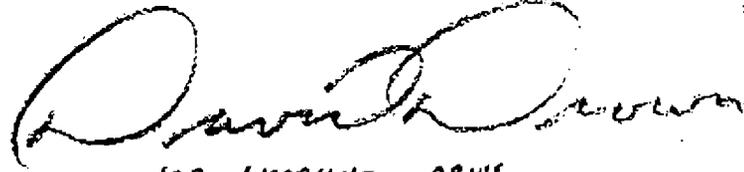
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Dear Senator Byrd:

I'm a member of the Communications Workers of America. I Live in Milton W.V. For Years our Union has complained that Verizon has been taking all our states money to fund other states Broad Band Networks. They depreciated all our outside plant for Accounting purposes, but didn't replace the cable. We were once part of AT&T the greatest phone company in the world and we took pride in our work. The past five years have drained most of us, and beaten us down to the point we gave up trying to change things. The Public Service Commission fined Verizon 11 million last year and they were supposed to hire 49 technicians in the state. They only hired 6 techs & have been rotating 43 techs from other states.

It Appears that the PSC and Everyone
Else are OK with this Sale Even After
Whats Been Done Here. This is an
Example of Big Business just unloading
All ITS debt + hurting Rural America.
Make Verizon Fix their mess + Have
them Bring FIOS to our State.



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The Honorable Robert C Byrd
United States Senate
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Dear Senator Byrd:

I am writing to tell you why I am so strongly opposed to the Verizon sale in West Virginia. I work in Huntington WV. My job is System Technician. I have worked for the phone company for almost 35 years, and I am asking for your help to protect West Virginia and my job.

From my experience I don't believe that Frontier will be able to handle the high debt and bad economic's without trying to cut expenses by eliminating jobs & cutting service to the customer. We work hard everyday to provide the service our customers have come to expect over the years. If this sale goes through, I don't believe Frontier will be investing in high speed fiber in WV.

We in CWA are asking you to introduce legislation that will close the tax loophole (known as the Reverse Moller's Trust). We need to encourage investment in infrastructure, not speculative paper transactions that

COULD PUT WORKERS AT RISK. IN THESE ECONOMIC TIMES WHO WANTS TO BE SEARCHING FOR A GOOD JOB WITH BENEFITS. THE OTHER ALTERNATIVE IS COLLECTING UNEMPLOYMENT AND OTHER STATE OR FEDERAL SOCIAL SERVICES.

PLEASE HELP US BY STANDING UP FOR GOOD JOBS & GOOD SERVICE IN WEST VIRGINIA

THANK YOU, SINCERELY,
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