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BY HAND

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *High-Cost Universal Service Support*, WC Dkt. No. 05-337; Connect America Fund, WC Dkt. No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 5, 2013, and April 8, 2013, I spoke via telephone with Michael Steffen, Legal Advisor to Chairman Genachowski. In these calls I discussed the ongoing need for support from Phase One of the Connect America Fund (“CAF”) to help support broadband deployment to rural America. In particular, the discussions focused on the costs to deploy broadband to rural locations and how best to identify unserved areas eligible for support. Further details on Frontier’s positions are represented in the attached letter that Frontier submits today. Portions of the attached letter include proprietary information about the nature of Frontier’s broadband cost structures. Accordingly, this document is being filed pursuant to the Commission’s August 30, 2012, *Third Protective Order* in this docket.¹

The non-redacted document has been marked as confidential. Frontier is also filing a redacted copy of this report for public inspection.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

¹ *In re*: Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; Connect America Fund; High-Cost Universal Service Support; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future, CC Dkt. No. 01-92, WC Dkt. Nos. 07-135, 10-90, 05-337, GN Dkt. No. 09-51, *Third Protective Order*, DA 12-1418 (rel. Aug. 30, 2012).

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Saperstein, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Attachment

cc: Michael Steffen
Michael Jacobs