



Maggie Wilderotter
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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The Honorable Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St. SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Applications of AT&T Inc. and Frontier Communications Corp. for Transfer of Control, WC Dkt. No. 14-22*

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

I have good news to share regarding Frontier's proposed acquisition of AT&T's wireline, broadband and U-verse operations throughout the State of Connecticut. While Frontier and our commitment to broadband are well known at the FCC and in our 27 state service area, we have been busy introducing ourselves to the residents of Connecticut. We have been encouraged by the warm reception to Frontier's local engagement model and excited at the response to the renewed focus on wireline infrastructure that Frontier will bring to Connecticut.

Recognizing the critical role broadband plays in improving lives and driving economic growth, I am excited to tell you that upon approval of the transaction Frontier will expand 10 Mbps broadband services to an additional 100,000 Connecticut homes that lack 10 Mbps service today. That increased last mile bandwidth will also necessitate middle-mile improvements and therefore Frontier also plans to construct an ultra-high speed middle mile fiber network (Reconfigurable Optical Add-Drop Multiplexer or "ROAD-M") connecting certain central offices across Connecticut. This expanded network will increase the existing network capacity by ten-fold and allow Frontier to provide 10 Gigabit services to customers from these expanded central offices. Connecticut residents will see these improvements within three years.

I am also pleased to report that we have reached an agreement of terms with the Communications Workers of America ("CWA"), which represents the 2,348 Connecticut employees that will be integrated into the Frontier family upon closing the transaction. Among other things, the agreement guarantees existing jobs and Frontier will also add an additional 85 CWA-represented positions in the state. CWA was the only commenter to raise concerns at the FCC regarding this transaction. Thanks to this amicable settlement, we now have their support and enthusiasm to proceed with the acquisition.

Frontier's commitment to broadband and the state of Connecticut will serve Connecticut residents well and enhance competition in the state. We look forward to completing the Commission's review process quickly so we can get started providing voice, Internet and video services to the citizens of Connecticut, our home state since 1946.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Maggie Wilderotter', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Maggie Wilderotter
Chairman & CEO

cc: Ruth Milkman
Daniel Alvarez
Carol Matthey