BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-5006
of Citizens Telecommunications	
Company of Nebraska d/b/a)
Frontier Communications of) GRANTED
Nebraska, Mound, Minnesota,)
seeking to adjust its)
depreciation rates) Entered: November 19, 2018

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed September 20, 2018, Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska, d/b/a Frontier Communications of Nebraska (Applicant) of Mound, Minnesota, seeks authority to adjust depreciation rates. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on September 25, 2018. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

Applicant submits the present application in accordance with the Commission's order of April 14, 1987, in Application C-664. Pursuant to that order, Applicant is subject to a depreciation rate review on a triennial basis.

Applicant has submitted revised depreciation rates in accordance with its triennial obligations. Applicant proposes to revise rates for the following categories: general plant, central office equipment, other terminal equipment, and outside plant. Frontier seeks approval by the Commission of the depreciation rates as set forth in Exhibit "A" to its application so that it can properly record the revised depreciation rates on its books effective January 1, 2019. A summary of the revised rates is attached to this order.

Based on the evidence presented, the Commission finds the application is fair and reasonable and in the public interest. The application should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application C-5006 be, and it is hereby, granted and Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska d/b/a Frontier Communications of Nebraska is hereby authorized to

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adjust its depreciation rates consistent with the reflected in Exhibit "A", attached to and, hereby, made a part of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the revised depreciation rates be effective beginning January 1, 2019.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 19th day of November, 2018.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

//s//Frank E. Landis

//s//Mary Ridder

Executive Director

Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska

		Existing	
		Commission	
		Ordered Rates	Proposed Rate
112.00	Vehicles	8.50%	13.40%
112.20	Trucks	6.67%	13.40%
116.00	Other Work Equipment	1.04%	0.52%
121.00	Buildings	1.69%	1.47%
122.00	Furniture	3.48%	2.29%
123.10	Office Equipment	0.75%	0.20%
123.20	Company Comm. Equipment	0.00%	0.00%
124.13	General Purpose-Mainframe	0.00%	0.00%
124.20	Computers - PC	0.00%	0.00%
TOTAL GENERAL PLANT		2.27%	3.93%
212.00	Digital Switching	1.89%	0.00%
212.70	Switch Software	0.21%	0.00%
231.30	Radio Equipment-Digital	5.67%	0.00%
232.00	Circuit Equipment-Analog	2.33%	0.13%
232.40	Circuit Equipment-Digital	3.30%	0.02%
232.50	Circuit Equipment-DSL	8.44%	10.16%
232.60	Circuit Equipment-Optical	1.30%	0.03%
232.70	Circuit Equipment-ATM	1.86%	0.89%
TOTAL CENTRAL OFFICE EQUIPMENT		2.70%	0.98%
362.00	Other Term Equip	0.18%	0.97%
TOTAL OTHER TERMINAL EQUIPMENT		0.18%	0.97%
411.00	Poles-Sole Owned	5.31%	5.50%
421.10	Aerial Cable-Copper	6.63%	6.37%
421.20	Aerial Cable-Fiber	2.13%	1.68%
421.30	Aerial Cable-Drop	3.79%	3.52%
422.10	Underground Cable-Copper	2.00%	1.99%
422.20	Underground Cable-Fiber	2.55%	2.85%
423.10	Buried Cable-Copper	2.30%	2.14%
423.20	Buried Cable-Fiber	2.93%	2.58%
423.30	Buried Cable-Drop	4.00%	3.50%
426.10	Intrabuilding Cable-Copper	1.51%	0.35%
431.00	Aerial Wire	0.55%	4.87%
441.00	Conduit Systems	2.44%	2.27%
	UTSIDE PLANT	3.10%	2.91%
TOTAL REGULATED PLANT		2.85%	2.16%