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TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Chris Parker, Director

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RE: Docket No. 12-041-T01 Citizens Telecommunications Company of

Utah d/b/a Frontier Communications of Utah filing to update the

Lifeline and Link Up tariff to comply with the Federal

Communications Commission (FCC) Docket No. FCC 12-11, Lifeline

and Link Up Reform and Modernization.

ISSUE:

The FCC on January 31, 2012, adopted its Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization Order, FCC 12-11 and Citizens Telecommunications Company (Citizens) is filing this modification of its existing Lifeline tariff, to comply with the order. The following changes are proposed:

- ETCs Federal Lifeline Support will equal \$9.25 per month for each eligible non-Tribal Lifeline subscriber, which is a 75 cent reduction in federal support; and
- 2. Remove Link Up from the tariff. It will only be available to Tribal Lifeline subscribers.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Tariff Modification

The Division has reviewed this modification for any rate increase to base rates that would require a rate hearing and has found none. The Division agrees that this Tariff change is in response to the above mentioned FCC Order 12-11 and supports this change.

The Division therefore recommends that the tariff be approved and that this filing become effective on April 1, 2012.



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