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Frontier Communications to Extend Broadband Deployment to Rural America with FCC's Connect America Fund

STAMFORD, Conn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Frontier Communications' ongoing commitment to deploying broadband services to rural America will accelerate with the acceptance of \$71.9 million from the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Connect America Fund (CAF). The funds present Frontier with an opportunity to expand its commitment to deploying and enhancing broadband connectivity in underserved or unserved areas.

The FCC established CAF to accelerate broadband build-out to the 18 million Americans living in rural areas who currently have no access to robust broadband infrastructure. By accepting this funding, Frontier has pledged to provide broadband service to an additional 92,876 households covering more than half of the 27 states it serves, ensuring rural customers in states such as Michigan, Oregon, Washington and West Virginia have access to broadband connectivity.

"The FCC's Connect America Fund offers Frontier additional resources to drive broadband penetration to rural markets that are hungry for access," said Kathleen Quinn Abernathy, Executive Vice President of External Affairs for Frontier Communications.

"The CAF program directly supports broadband infrastructure, a critical first step to offering services to the high-cost, rural parts of our nation. This support will supplement the more than \$1.5 billion of private investment made by Frontier over the last two years to deploy an advanced communications network to rural America," Abernathy added. Nationally, Frontier provides broadband to nearly 80% of households within its territories. Frontier continues to focus on broadband expansion while boosting broadband speeds throughout its network.

About Frontier Communications

Frontier Communications Corporation (NASDAQ: FTR), is an S&P 500 company and is included in the FORTUNE 500 list of America's largest corporations. Frontier offers broadband, voice, satellite video, wireless Internet data access, entertainment services like TumTiki.com, data security solutions, bundled offerings and specialized bundles for residential customers, small businesses and home offices and advanced business communications for medium and large businesses in 27 states. Frontier's approximately 15,500 employees are based entirely in the United States. More information is available at www.frontier.com.

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