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Frontier Communications Extends Broadband Network in West Virginia

Improvements and Investment Improve Connectivity for 134,000 Households

CHARLESTON, W. Va.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Frontier Communications (NASDAQ:FTR) is making enhanced broadband service available to previously unserved residents throughout West Virginia, Elena Kilpatrick, Frontier Senior Vice President of Operations announced today. Connected communities in 35 counties now may access increased speeds and services from Frontier. Over the past 18 months, Frontier has successfully leveraged the FCC's Connect America Fund (CAF) program to bring new broadband opportunities to approximately 16,900 CAF eligible households while improving speeds to an additional 117,000 households. That means more than 134,000 total West Virginia households have access to improved speeds because of these investments over the past 18 months.

"Through ongoing network investments, Frontier is providing broadband and faster speeds to residents throughout the 35 counties where the CAF investment has been made," Kilpatrick said. "We have been aggressively deploying and upgrading our broadband service and look forward to serving more local residents."

This latest broadband deployment was made possible by a combination of Frontier's capital investment and the CAF. The FCC established the CAF in 2011 to facilitate broadband deployment to the millions of Americans living in rural areas without access to broadband infrastructure.

The CAF program and investments by Frontier are enabling broadband access to previously unserved households, as well as improvements in broadband speeds and services. Simplified broadband offerings and bundled service packages that provide customers with choice and affordable options are also available. Speeds as fast as 45 Mbps are available, depending on distance from Frontier's nearest facilities.

Broadband availability allows businesses and consumers to take full advantage of online education, healthcare, and entertainment options. "Broadband connectivity is critical today, especially in more rural areas," said Kilpatrick. "Through investment and ongoing enhancements, Frontier is helping to close America's digital divide."

About Frontier Communications

Frontier Communications Corporation (NASDAQ:FTR) is a leader in providing communications services to urban, suburban, and rural communities in 29 states. Frontier offers a variety of services to residential customers over its fiber-optic and copper networks, including video, high-speed internet, advanced voice, and Frontier Secure[®] digital protection solutions. Frontier Business Edge[™] offers communications solutions to small, medium, and enterprise businesses. More information about Frontier is available at www.frontier.com.

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