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Via Electronic Mail Only

The Honorable Steven K. Haas The Honorable John Coogan Office of Administrative Law Judge Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Harrisburg, PA 17120

> Re: OCA and OSBA v. Frontier Commonwealth Telephone Co. Docket No. C-2023-3037574 Proposed Additional Public Input Hearing Statements

Dear Judge Haas and Judge Coogan:

The Office of Consumer Advocate has collected several statements from consumers who still wish to have their voice and stories added to the evidentiary record. These three consumers were unable to testify at the Quarryville Public Input Hearing, which concluded early due to the unfortunate medical emergency of an attendee.

The Office of Consumer Advocate respectfully requests that each of the three attached statements, as identified below, be accepted for admission to the evidentiary record as Public Input testimony in the above captioned case. The OCA acknowledges that counsel for the Company should have time to review each.

A) Statement of Nina Yentzer - Print-out of Ms. Yentzer's July 18, 2023 e-mail message to the Office of Consumer Advocate, with additional hand-written notes.

NOTE: Ms. Yentzer's e-mail message was received by OCA during the preregistration phase.

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However, Ms. Yentzer then brought a print copy of her July 18 e-mail with added handwritten notes to the Quarryville PIH. Ms. Yentzer provided the print document with handwritten notes to OCA Assistant Consumer Advocate Sheridan on July 19, 2023 at the Quarryville Public Input Hearing, when the PIH ended before Ms. Yentzer had an opportunity to testify.

## B) Statement of Dr. C. Lynn Swisher – E-mail sent to the Office of Consumer Advocate on July 20, 2023, the day after the PIH. Dr. Swisher attended but was not able to testify at the Quarryville PIH.

NOTE: OCA Assistant Consumer Advocate Sheridan contacted Dr. Swisher after the Quarryville PIH, to advise of the opportunity to submit the e-mail message or similar statement as testimony. By e-mail dated July 25, 2023 sent to OCA, Dr. Swisher confirmed his/her intent to submit written testimony.

# C) Statement of Rebecca Kleinz dated July 28, 2023. Cover sheet with name and address, three pages of testimony and chronology, verification and signature.

NOTE: Received by the Office of Consumer Advocate by e-mail on July 31, 2023, in response to OCA outreach following the Quarryville PIH to consumers who had signed up to testify.

The OCA appreciates the willingness of Your Honors and counsel for the Company to allow for this opportunity to add to the Public Input Hearing record, in light of the extraordinary circumstances of the Quarryville Public Input Hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

cc: Secretary Rosemary Chiavetta (Letter and Certificate of Service only) Certificate of Service

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V.	:	Docket No. C-2023-3037574
Commonwealth Telephone Company,	:	
LLC d/b/a Frontier Communications	:	
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I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the following document, the

Office of Consumer Advocate's Proposed Supplemental PIH Statements, upon parties of record

in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service

by a participant), in the manner and upon the persons listed below:

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 2023.

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