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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17120

## Re: Office of Consumer Advocate, Office of Small Business Advocate v. Commonwealth Telephone Company, LLC d/b/a Frontier Communications Telephone Company / Docket No. C-2023-3037574

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Pursuant to the October 25, 2023 Supplemental Settlement Order, the Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA") submits this letter in lieu of reply comments to the comments filed with the Public Utility Commission in response to the Joint Petition for Settlement ("Settlement") filed at the above-referenced docket.

The OSBA has reviewed the public comments filed and appreciates the number of small business customers that have actively engaged in this proceeding, and also took the time to file comments. The need for regulatory action echoed in the comments is clear. The OSBA is a signatory to the Joint Petition for Settlement and believes that approval of the Settlement is in the Public Interest.

Copies of this correspondence will be served on all known parties in this proceeding, as indicated on the attached Certificate of Service.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

/s/ Sharon E. Webb

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#### **BEFORE THE**

### PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Office of Consumer Advocate and the Office	:
of Small Business Advocate v.	:
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Commonwealth Telephone Company LLC	
d/b/a Frontier Communications Telephone	:
Company	

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been served via email (*unless otherwise noted below*) upon the following persons, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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