

ISSUED: February 24, 2010

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1431

In the Matter of

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC. and
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS
CORPORATION

Joint Application for an Order Declining to Assert
Jurisdiction, or, in the alternative, to Approve the
Indirect Transfer of Control of VERIZON
NORTHWEST INC.

RULING

DISPOSITION: RECORD CLOSED

On December 21, 2009, the last of the parties' affidavits and supporting testimony were filed with the Commission. The record in the case remained open so that the Commission could review all of the submissions and determine whether additional evidence would be of value in their decision-making process.

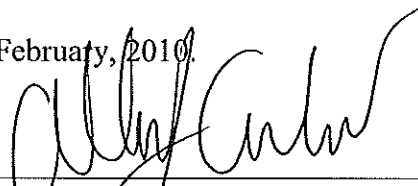
Pursuant to Commission direction, on January 8, 2010, the Administrative Law Judge issued a Ruling including bench requests upon the Applicants for additional data. Responses to the requests were received on January 15 and 19, 2010.

The Commission has reviewed the data responses and concludes that no additional evidence is necessary for their deliberations.

RULING

The Record of this proceeding is hereby CLOSED.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 24th day of February, 2010.



Allan J. Arlow
Administrative Law Judge