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Ms. Jocelyn Boyd  
Chief Clerk and Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
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Dear Ms. Boyd:

Attached is a Frontier Communications of the Carolinas Inc. tariff filing dated to become effective August 1, 2012, for review and approval by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

General Customer Services Tariff, P.S.C. – S.C. No. 1

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The purpose of this filing is to reflect the new Federal Lifeline Support Credit and modify the Lifeline qualifications in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Docket No. FCC 12-11, Lifeline Reform Order.

If you have any questions relative to this filing, please contact me at 972-908-4416.

Sincerely,

/s/ Judi Cleaver

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Enclosures

GENERAL CUSTOMER SERVICES TARIFF

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF THE CAROLINAS INC.  
ISSUED: July 30, 2012

By: Vice President  
Rochester, New York

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

Interstate Subscriber Line Charge Waiver and Matching Program  
(Lifeline Service)

1. General

- A. This program is a South Carolina Lifeline Assistance Plan and provides for a credit equal to 100% of the FCC Interstate Subscriber Line Charge (SLC) in addition to a supplemental amount credited to local service monthly billing. Funding for Lifeline Service is obtained from a universal service support mechanism to which all telecommunications carriers that provide interstate telecommunications services contribute on an equitable and nondiscriminatory basis. This credit is an amount equal to the FCC Interstate Subscriber Line Charge (SLC) with a reduction in the residential local line rate as specified. (C)
- B. In order to qualify for the South Carolina Lifeline Assistance Plan, a customer must provide certification or authorize agency verification of their participation in at least one of the following programs: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income, Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8), Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, National School Lunch Program's free lunch program, or Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), or have a total gross income which does not exceed 135% of the federal poverty income guidelines. (C)

2. Rules and Regulations

- A. The specific guidelines for implementation of this waiver are as follows:
- (1) Certification Procedures
- Proof of eligibility in any of the qualifying low income assistance programs should be provided to the Company at the time of application for service. The Lifeline credit will not be established until proof of eligibility has been received by the Company. If the customer requests installation prior to the Company's receipt of proof of eligibility, the requested service will be provided without the Lifeline credit. When eligibility documentation is provided subsequent to installation, the Lifeline credit will be provided on a going forward basis.
- (2) Processing Forms
- The Company will process all application forms and apply the credit on the subscriber's monthly bill. An explanation of the credit will appear on each telephone bill.
- (3) Verification Procedures
- The Company will reconcile and confirm eligibility periodically, at a minimum annually. A verification of eligible recipients will be made. The credit will be discontinued on the bill following written notification to the subscriber of ineligibility.
- (4) One low income credit is available per household and is applicable to the primary residential connection only. The named subscriber must be a current recipient of any of the low income assistance programs identified.
- (5) Lifeline Toll Restriction Service is available on a voluntary basis where technically feasible to South Carolina Lifeline Assistance Plan customers at no charge. Lifeline Toll Restriction Service prevents 0+, 00-, 1+NPA-NXX-XXXX, 1010XXXX, International (01+), Directory Assistance (411, 1+411, 0+411, 555-1212, 1+/0+ 555-1212, 1+/0+ NPA-555-1212), 1+900 calls, 1+700, 976 calls and IntraLATA toll while allowing access to local, 611, 911, 0-, 1+800/888 etc., 950-XXXX and 1+950-XXXX calls and EAS calls. Access to Directory Assistance is available to Lifeline customers by dialing 0-. Access to Service Activation Codes "\*/#" (e.g., \*66, \*69) is also allowed. Upon customer request, some Service Activation Codes may be blocked at no charge, where conditions and facilities permit.

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2. Rules and Regulations (Continued)

A. (Continued)

- (6) A Lifeline subscriber's local service will not be disconnected for non-payment of regulated toll charges. Local service may be denied for non-payment of local calls. Access to toll service may be denied for non-payment of regulated tolls. A Lifeline subscriber's request for reconnection of local service will not be denied if the service was previously denied for non-payment of toll charges.
- (7) Deposit requirements do not apply to Lifeline Service customers if toll blocking is employed.
- (8) The non-discounted federal Lifeline credit amount will be passed along to resellers ordering local service at the prescribed resale discount from this Tariff, for their eligible end users. The additional credit to the end user will be the responsibility of the reseller. Eligible carriers, as defined by the FCC, are required to establish their own Lifeline programs.

3. Rates and Charges

A. A total credit amount applies to the Lifeline customer's monthly bill as follows:

	<u>Monthly Credit</u>	
Federal Lifeline Support Credit	\$9.25	(C)
		(D)
State Credit	3.50	
		(D)

- B. For those existing customers who qualify for, and wish to change to, the South Carolina Lifeline Assistance Plan, no service charges shall apply.
- C. All recurring and nonrecurring charges for any service ordered by the customer shall be billed at the tariffed rates. (C)
- D. When a customer is no longer eligible for Lifeline Service, the Lifeline credit amount specified in A. preceding, will be discontinued and regular tariffed rates and charges will apply.