## STAFF CONFERENCE AGENDA November 21, 2022

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

#### INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENTS

# Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, LLC and Central Telephone Company, d/b/a CenturyLink

- <u>Docket Nos. P-7, Sub 1302, and P-10, Sub 915</u> Agreement and amendments to the interconnection agreement with Peerless Network of North Carolina, LLC (*Proffitt/Coxton*)
- <u>Docket Nos. P-7, Sub 1225, and P-10, Sub 842</u> Amendment to the interconnection agreement with Metropolitan Telecommunications of North Carolina, Inc. d/b/a MetTel, approved November 25, 2009 (*Proffitt/Coxton*)

#### Mebtel, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink

3. <u>Docket No. P-35, Sub 128</u> – Amendment to the interconnection agreement with Metropolitan Telecommunications of North Carolina, Inc. d/b/a MetTel. Approved April 15, 2014 (*Proffitt/Coxton*)

#### BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina (AT&T)

- 4. <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1460</u> Amendment to the interconnection agreement with Lingo Telecom, LLC, approved August 11, 2003 (*Proffitt/Coxton*)
- 5. <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1740</u> Amendment to the interconnection agreement with Broadplex, LLC, approved May 15, 2008 (*Proffitt/Coxton*)
- 6. <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1749</u> Amendments to the interconnection agreement with Fusion Cloud Services, LLC, approved August 8, 2008 (*Proffitt/Coxton*)
- <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1951</u> Amendment to the interconnection agreement with Easton Telecom Services, LLC, approved August 16, 2022 (*Proffitt/Coxton*)

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#### **Frontier Natural Gas**

8. <u>Docket Nos. G-40, Sub 169, and G-9, Sub 816</u> – Joint Application of Frontier Natural Gas Company and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. for Authorization for an Adjustment of Their Certificated Service Areas (*Patel/Johnson/Culpepper*)

The Public Staff recommends approval of the preceding agenda items as described above and reflected in proposed orders provided to the Commission Staff.

DOCKET NO. P-7, SUB 1302 DOCKET NO. P-10, SUB 915

#### BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Interconnection Agreement and Amendment between Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, LLC and Central Telephone Company, d/b/a CenturyLink, and Peerless Network of North Carolina, LLC

ORDER APPROVING AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENTS

BY THE COMMISSION: On September 29, 2022, Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, LLC and Central Telephone Company, d/b/a CenturyLink, and Peerless Network of North Carolina, LLC (collectively, the Parties) filed an interconnection agreement and amendments for Commission approval.

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The agreement specifies the terms and conditions for interconnection, and the Carrier Partner for Interconnected VoIP Providers Amendment and Third Party Transit Providers Amendment provide additional terms and conditions regarding those services.

The filing was made in compliance with Commission Rule R17-4(d) and Sections 252(e) and 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission considered the matter at its Regular Staff Conference on November 21, 2022. The Public Staff recommended that the agreement and amendments be approved, and the Commission approved the recommendation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the interconnection agreement and amendments between the Parties filed in the above dockets on September 29, 2022, are hereby approved effective on the date of filing.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the <u>day of November 2022</u>.

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DOCKET NO. P-7, SUB 1225 DOCKET NO. P-10, SUB 842

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#### BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Interconnection Agreement between Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, LLC and Central Telephone Company, d/b/a CenturyLink, and Metropolitan Telecommunications of North Carolina, Inc., d/b/a MetTel

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT

BY THE COMMISSION: On September 29, 2022, Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, LLC and Central Telephone Company, d/b/a CenturyLink, and Metropolitan Telecommunications of North Carolina, Inc., d/b/a MetTel (collectively, the Parties), filed, for Commission approval, an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved on November 25, 2009.

The amendment implements the changes mandated by the Federal Communications Commission in WC Docket No. 18-141, by FCC 19-72, filed on August 2, 2019 (UNE Analog Loop and Resale Forbearance Order).

The filings were made in compliance with Commission Rule R17-4(d) and Sections 252(e) and 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission considered the amendment at its Regular Staff Conference on November 21, 2022. The Public Staff recommended that the amendment be approved, and the Commission approved the recommendation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the amendment, filed on September 29, 2022, to the existing agreement between the Parties is hereby approved effective on the date the amendment was filed.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of November 2022.

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DOCKET NO. P-35, SUB 128

#### BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Interconnection Agreement between Mebtel, ) Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink, and Metropolitan ) Telecommunications of North Carolina, Inc. ) d/b/a MetTel )

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT

BY THE COMMISSION: On September 29, 2022, Mebtel, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink, and Metropolitan Telecommunications of North Carolina, Inc. d/b/a MetTel (collectively, the Parties) filed, for Commission approval, an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved on April 15, 2014.

The amendment implements the changes mandated by the Federal Communications Commission in WC Docket No. 18-141, by FCC 19-72, filed on August 2, 2019 (UNE Analog Loop and Resale Forbearance Order).

The filing was made in compliance with Commission Rule R17-4(d) and Sections 252(e) and 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission considered the amendment at its Regular Staff Conference on November 21, 2022. The Public Staff recommended that the amendment be approved, and the Commission approved the recommendation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the amendment, filed on September 29, 2022, to the existing agreement between the Parties is hereby approved effective on the date the amendment was filed.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of November 2022.

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DOCKET NO. P-55, SUB 1460

#### BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth ) Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Lingo Telecom, LLC

**ORDER APPROVING** AMENDMENT

BY THE COMMISSION: On October 6, 2022, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Lingo Telecom, LLC, formerly Matrix Telecom, LLC (collectively, the Parties), filed, for Commission approval, an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved on August 11, 2003.<sup>1</sup>

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The amendment modifies DS1/DS3 rates and changes the name from Matrix Telecom, LLC to Lingo Telecom, LLC.

The filings were made in compliance with Commission Rule R17-4(d) and Sections 252(e) and 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission considered the amendment at its Regular Staff Conference on November 21, 2022. The Public Staff recommended that the amendment be approved, and the Commission approved the recommendation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the amendment, filed on October 6, 2022, to the existing agreement between the Parties is hereby approved effective on the date the amendment was filed.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the day of November 2022.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The original interconnection agreement was executed when Lingo Telecom, LLC, formerly Matrix Telecom, LLC, was operating as Z-Tel Communications, Inc.

DOCKET NO. P-55, SUB 1740

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#### BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Broadplex, LLC

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT

BY THE COMMISSION: On October 7, 2022, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Broadplex, LLC, filed, for Commission approval, an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved May 15, 2008.

The amendment implements the changes mandated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in WC Docket No. 18-141, by FCC 19-66 and FCC 19-72 (FCC UNE and Resale Forbearance Orders), and WC Docket No. 19-308, by FCC 20-152 (FCC UNE Relief Order).

The filing was made in compliance with Commission Rule R17-4(d) and Sections 252(e) and 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission considered the amendment at its Regular Staff Conference on November 21, 2022. The Public Staff recommended that the amendment be approved, and the Commission approved the recommendation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the amendment, filed on October 7, 2022, to the existing agreement between the Parties is hereby approved effective on the date the amendment was filed.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of November 2022.

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DOCKET NO. P-55, SUB 1749

#### BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Fusion Cloud Services, LLC

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENTS

BY THE COMMISSION: On October 7, 2022, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Fusion Cloud Services, LLC (collectively, the Parties), filed, for Commission approval, two amendments to their existing interconnection agreement, approved on August 8, 2008.<sup>1</sup>

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One amendment implements the changes mandated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in WC Docket No. 18-141, by FCC 19-66 and FCC 19-72 (FCC UNE and Resale Forbearance Orders), and WC Docket No. 19-308, by FCC 20-152 (FCC UNE Relief Order). The other amendment modifies DS1/DS3 rates.

The filings were made in compliance with Commission Rule R17-4(d) and Sections 252(e) and 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission considered the amendments at its Regular Staff Conference on November 21, 2022. The Public Staff recommended that the amendments be approved, and the Commission approved the recommendation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the amendments, filed on October 7, 2022, to the existing agreement between the Parties are hereby approved effective on the date the amendments were filed.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of November 2022.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The original interconnection agreement was executed when Fusion Cloud Services, LLC was operating as Birch Telecom of the South, Inc.

DOCKET NO. P-55, SUB 1951

#### BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Easton Telecom Services, LLC

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT

BY THE COMMISSION: On September 22, 2022, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Easton Telecom Services, LLC (collectively, the Parties) filed, for Commission approval, an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved on August 16, 2022.

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The amendment adds an attachment to the existing agreement, specifically: Attachment 12 – Collocation. The attachment was inadvertently omitted from the interconnection agreement when the interconnection agreement was initially filed on June 21, 2022.

The filing was made in compliance with Commission Rule R17-4(d) and Sections 252(e) and 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission considered the amendment at its Regular Staff Conference on November 21, 2022. The Public Staff recommended that the amendment be approved, and the Commission approved the recommendation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the amendment, filed on September 22, 2022, to the existing agreement between the Parties is hereby approved effective on the date the amendment was filed.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of November 2022.

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DOCKET NO. G-40, SUB 169 DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 816

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#### BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Joint Application of Frontier Natural Gas Company and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. for Authorization for an Adjustment of Their Certificated Service Areas )

**ORDER ALLOWING** ADJUSTMENT OF FRANCHISED TERRITORIES

BY THE COMMISSION: On October 6, 2022, Frontier Natural Gas Company (Frontier) and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Piedmont) (collectively, Applicants) filed a petition pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-111(a) and Commission Rule R6-60, requesting Commission authorization to allow Frontier to provide natural gas sales and transportation service to a certain customer within the currently certificated service area of Piedmont and for adjustment of the respective service areas of Frontier and Piedmont consistent with such authorization.

The Applicants stated that Piedmont currently holds the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide natural gas service to 925 Greenhill Road, Mocksville, North Carolina, where the customer proposes to build a residence. The Applicants further stated that there is currently no natural gas service to the location, that Piedmont does not have distribution lines in close proximity to the location, and that Frontier has distribution services in close proximity to the location and is willing to extend natural gas service to the future resident.

The Applicants stated that they are willing to make adjustments to their respective service territories to allow Frontier to provide natural gas service to the future resident.

The Public Staff presented this matter at the Commission's Regular Staff Conference on November 21, 2022. The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the petition and information provided by the Applicants in response to a Public Staff data request. The Public Staff noted that Frontier stated in response to discovery that providing service to the future resident will not affect the reliability of service to its existing customers and that extending natural gas service to the future resident will be done on an economically feasible basis. The Public Staff recommended approval of the Applicants' request.

Based on the foregoing, and pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-111(a) and Commission Rule R6-60, the Commission concludes that the public convenience and necessity will be

served by granting the Applicants' request to adjust their respective certificated service areas to allow Frontier to serve 925 Greenhill Road, Mocksville, North Carolina.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED as follows:

1. That Frontier shall be, and is hereby, authorized to provide natural gas service to 925 Greenhill Road, Mocksville, North Carolina, located within Davie County.

2. That Frontier and Piedmont shall adjust their certificated service areas to reflect this change.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of November 2022.

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A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

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