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OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



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In the Matter of the Joint Application of Verizon Communications Inc., Frontier Communications Parent, Inc., Frontier California Inc., Citizens Telecommunications Company of California Inc., Frontier Communications of the Southwest Inc., Frontier Communications Online and Long Distance Inc., and Frontier Communications of America, Inc. for Approval of the Transfer of Control of Frontier California Inc. (U 1002 C), Citizens Telecommunications Company of California (U 1024 C), Frontier Communications of the Southwest Inc. (U 1026 C), Frontier Communications Online and Long Distance Inc. (U 7167 C), and Frontier Communications of America, Inc. (U 5429 C), to Verizon Communications Inc. Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Section 854

**VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC.'S NOTICE OF  
EX PARTE COMMUNICATION**

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Pursuant to Rule 8.4(a) of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission (the “Commission” or “CPUC”), Verizon Communications Inc. (“Verizon”) hereby provides this notice of an *ex parte* communication in the above-captioned proceeding, which occurred on September 17, 2025 between representatives of Verizon, and advisors to Commissioner John Reynolds and Commissioner Houck and Communications Division Staff. The meeting focused on summarizing evidentiary hearings. Verizon also discussed its work with the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians (“Chumash Tribe”) and on addressing the Commissioner concerns regarding Verizon’s compliance with General Order 156. Verizon also stressed the need to resolve this proceeding by the end of 2025 to ensure the transaction can be closed in advance of the US Department of Justice deadline and the benefits of the proposed transaction are achieved.

The Commission participants included the following: Carolyn Chen and Andrew Klutey, advisors to Commissioner John Reynolds; Caleb Jones, advisor to Commissioner Houck; Robert Osborn, Director of the Communications Division and Cole Przybyla, Senior Policy Analyst for the Communications Division. On behalf of Verizon, the participants were:

- Rudolph M. Reyes, Regional Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, Verizon;
- Gregory Romano, Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, Verizon;
- Jesús G. Román, Managing Associate General Counsel, Verizon; and
- Kristin Jacobson, DLA Piper, outside counsel for Verizon.

The individuals representing Verizon will be identified collectively herein as “Verizon.”

The communication occurred via video-conference using Webex, starting at or around 9 a.m. and lasting until approximately 9:40 a.m. The communication was oral.

Verizon noted that it has been in regular communication with the Chumash Tribe in an effort to address its concerns and noted the progress made in that regard.

Verizon reiterated the critical importance of securing a Commission vote on the application during the December 18, 2025 Voting Meeting. Verizon discussed the Joint Applicants' motion to modify the procedural schedule, emphasizing the importance of a proposed decision being issued by November 18, 2025, particularly in light of the expiration of clearance of the transaction by the US Department of Justice in February 2026.

Verizon stated that it is willing to consider and make additional commitments to address ongoing concerns of the Commission regarding its ability to meet requirements outlined in General Order 156.

Respectfully submitted this 19th day of September 2025.

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