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Homeowners and Businesses to Call 811 Before Digging

Note: The MPSC issued the following Press Release on April 14, 2011. For more information, contact Judy Palnau at (517) 241-3323.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“MPSC”) reminds homeowners and businesses to call 811 before undertaking outdoor projects that require digging.

MPSC Chairman Orjiakor Isiogu joined legislators and representatives of utilities and MISS DIG, Inc. at an event at the . . .

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. . . Capitol today to highlight the importance of following safe digging practices.

April marks Safe Digging Month in Michigan. State Sen. Mike Nofs and State Rep. Ken Horn this week introduced a legislative proclamation recognizing the importance of calling 811 to have underground utilities marked before digging.

“With warmer temperatures, come outdoor projects that require digging,” said Isiogu. “A simple call to 811 beforehand can prevent injuries, damage to important infrastructure, and loss of utility service.”

Dialing 811 in Michigan connects callers to MISS DIG, a statewide, one-call center for construction safety and utility damage prevention. Once a request is received, MISS DIG contacts local utility companies, according to the location where a caller plans to dig. Utilities will send representatives to mark the approximate location of underground lines with paint and/or staking flags within three working days. The service is free.

Each year, hundreds of dig-in accidents are caused by careless digging, which results in damage to utility lines, service interruptions, property damage, financial penalties and personal injuries, according to Kathie Fournier, MISS DIG chief executive officer and executive director. “Whether you're a homeowner or contractor, calling 811 is a very simple way to avoid some very serious consequences,” she noted.

The MPSC is an agency within the Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth.

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Frontier Communications Expands ROADM Network to Enhance Connectivity, Flexibility and Reliability for Rural America |

Note: Frontier Communications issued the following Press Release on April 6, 2011. For additional information contact Steve Crosby, Frontier Communications, Senior Vice President, Government & Regulatory Affairs at (916) 686-3333 or at <steven.crosby@ftr.com>.

STAMFORD, Conn., April 06, 2011 — Customers of Frontier Communications Corporation (NYSE: FTR) are experiencing the benefits of an aggressive deployment by the company of the latest generation Packet-Optical Transport Network. To date, approximately 345 Reconfigurable Optical Add-Drop Multiplexer (“ROADM”) systems have been fully-integrated into Frontier's networks to enhance optical network flexibility and manageability and improve the customer experience. By mid-year Frontier will have added more than 6,500 miles of ROADM network. The dynamic optical network being deployed is based on Tellabs(R) Optical Solutions, including the Tellabs 7100(R) Optical Transport System and the Tellabs(R) 7100 Nano Optical Transport System.

Frontier is leading the way to bring this technically-advanced and feature-rich network infrastructure to rural America, which is well suited to the flexibility and scalability of multi-service Packet-Optical Transport technology. In West Virginia, the company's deployment of 108 ROADM

systems has enhanced network flexibility without requiring major upfront planning or future reconstruction of the network to accommodate unforeseen service demands.

Overall ROADM benefits include:

- The ability to turn up bandwidth for multiple services without the need for intensive long-term forecasts or pre-planning of service types;
- More intelligence and automated signaling, plus faster circuit provisioning and activation time; and,
- Efficient use of personnel, since technicians are needed only at origin and destination points to install line cards - all other provisioning is automatic.

The flexible optical network capabilities are important as network capacity continues to grow and as demand for Frontier's higher capacity residential and business services increases. The ROADM-based network also provides a strategic competitive advantage, allowing faster time to revenue due to reduced circuit provisioning time, reduced churn and greater flexibility in network offerings.

Frontier's Packet-Optical Transport Network can now deliver more than 30 different types of residential or business services such as Ethernet (Fiber to the Office or Cell Site), Session Internet Protocol ("SIP") trunking, Multi-Protocol Label Switching ("MPLS") and Dedicated Internet Access Services ("DIA").

Michael Golob, Senior Vice President, Engineering and Technology, noted that Frontier's investments in multi-service ROADM technology in West Virginia, Oregon, Washington, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, and Illinois are paying off in terms of service design and installation. "Customers are benefiting from the increased speed and flexibility experienced when adding or reconfiguring the multiple services Frontier offers," he said. "For example, the Tellabs 7100 technology we are deploying enables cost-effective optical interconnection and efficient dropping of services to local customers." He explains, "The flexibility of the network we designed lets Frontier provide more than 30 services while eliminating stranded bandwidth. The ability of ROADM technology to remotely configure new optical channels within the network lets us optimize bandwidth use and significantly reduce service activation cost and time. This results in increased customer satisfaction and it maximizes the value of company assets."

Golob notes that the scalable Packet-Optical Transport Network not only improves the customer experience for residential services, but also enhances Frontier's business and data center service offerings. Frontier's dynamic optical network deployment and continued improvements in automation of systems and processes will provide long-term benefits to all Frontier customers.

About Frontier Communications — Frontier Communications Corporation (NYSE: FTR) offers voice, High-Speed Internet, satellite video, wireless Internet data access, data security solutions, bundled offerings, specialized bundles for small businesses and home offices, and advanced business communications for medium and large businesses in 27 states and with approximately 14,800 employees, all based in the United States. Frontier is a Fortune 500 company included in the S&P 500 Index.

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2011 & 2012 LEGISLATION |

Copies of bills and public acts referred to in this column may be obtained by contacting your state Senator or Representative, on the Michigan Legislature Web site, <<http://www.michiganlegislature.org/>>, or from the Legislative Service Bureau Document Room at (517) 373-0169.

| Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor | Date Introduced | Description | Status (revisions in bold) |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|---|--|
| SB 016 Hardiman | 01/19/2011 | Michigan business tax; gross receipts; certain media property and live radio or television programming; exclude from gross receipts tax base. | Referred to Senate Committee on Finance. |
| SB 045 Anderson | 01/19/2011 | Education; discipline; policy prohibiting harassment and bullying at school (including using school telecommunications device); require. | 03/24/2011 Reported favorably by Senate Committee on Education; Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary. |

| House Bill # Primary Sponsor | Date Introduced | Description | Status (revisions in bold) |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| HB 4163 Potvin | 02/01/2011 | Education; discipline; policy prohibiting harassment and bullying at school (including using school telecommunications device); require. | Referred to House Committee on Education. |
| HB 4173 Meadows | 02/01/2011 | Education; discipline; policy prohibiting harassment and bullying at school (including using school telecommunications device); require. | Referred to House Committee on Education. |
| HB 4314 Horn | 02/22/2011 | Communications; telecommunications; certain Michigan telecommunications act provisions; modify. | 04/26/2011 Substitute H-2 Passed by House, Yeas 102 Nays 6. 04/27/2011 Referred to Senate Committee on Energy and Technology. |

PUBLIC ACTS OF 2011 & 2012 |

Listed below are Public Acts related to telecommunications that were passed during the current legislative session (2009-2010). Copies of Public Acts may be obtained by contacting your state Senator or Representative, on the Michigan Legislature Web site, <<http://www.michiganlegislature.org/>>, or from the Legislative Service Bureau Document Room at (517) 373-0169. Acts passed since the previous edition of the *Michigan Telecommunications Report* are in bold.

To date, no Telecommunications related legislation has been enacted during the current (2011-2012) legislative session.

ORDERS ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION |

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued the following Orders at its regularly scheduled meeting held on April 26, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.:

Case No. U-14413 Interconnection Agreement
TelNet Worldwide, Inc., and AT&T Michigan.
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=14413>
Application filed on January 13, 2011, for approval of a Sixteenth Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (extends the term of the Performance Measures and Remedies Plan to December 31, 2012).

Case No. U-16549 Interconnection Agreement
123.Net, Inc., d/b/a Local Exchange Carriers of Michigan, Inc., and AT&T Michigan.
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16549>
Application filed on March 30, 2011, for approval of a Tenth and Eleventh Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (establishes and/or clarifies the rates for cross connects used with DS1 Loops, DS1 Transport, and DS1 EELs).

Case No. U-16760 Interconnection Agreement
US Xchange of Michigan, L.L.C., d/b/a One Communications I, and AT&T Michigan.
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16760>
Application filed on March 31, 2011, for approval of an Interconnection Agreement (adopts the agreement between AT&T Michigan and Access Point, Inc., approved by the Commission on April 16, 2009 in Case No. U-15932).

On April 26, 2011, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order approving the above-listed Interconnection Agreements and Amendments.

Case No. U-16444 Interconnection Agreement Dispute
B&S Telecom, Inc. v. AT&T Michigan
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16444>

On April 26, 2011, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order approving AT&T Michigan’s \$25,639.62 bill of costs and fees in the matter of B&S Telecom, Inc.’s August 26, 2010 Complaint against AT&T Michigan. On February 22, 2011, the Commission issued an order in this proceeding finding, among other things, that the first three counts of the complaint filed by B&S Telecom were frivolous, and imposing on B&S reasonable costs and attorney fees

related to those counts. On March 1, 2011, AT&T Michigan filed a detailed list of costs and fees recoverable from B&S Telecom. B&S Telecom did not file a timely objection to such bill of costs. On April 5, 2011, AT&T filed a motion seeking Commission approval of its costs and fees and an order compelling B&S Telecom to pay as required by the February 22, 2011 Order. On April 13, 2011, B&S Telecom filed a response to AT&T Michigan's motion, arguing that the Commission does not have jurisdiction to alter its order due to a claim of appeal filed by B&S on March 23, 2011.

The Commission found that it could approve the bill of costs as reasonable and recoverable from B&S Telecom, and that B&S Telecom should pay those costs forthwith, as provided in the February 22, 2011 order. The Commission noted that B&S Telecom correctly argued that the Commission has no authority to issue an injunction, or to enforce B&S Telecom's obligation to pay the bill of costs with the threat of imprisonment for contempt of court. However, the Commission noted that it is permitted to affirm its order, approve the bill of costs and fees as reasonable and accurate, and direct B&S to pay the amounts, consistent with the Commission's previous Order. According to the Commission, this leaves AT&T Michigan with the option of filing an action in circuit court for enforcement of the Commission's orders.

Case No. U-16559

License

GC Pivotal, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16559>

On April 26, 2011, the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an Order granting a temporary license to GC Pivotal, LLC to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan in the zone and exchange areas in which Frontier North Inc., f/k/a Verizon North Inc., Frontier Midstates Inc., f/k/a Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and AT&T Michigan are the incumbent local exchange carriers. This temporary license will expire upon the issuance by the Commission of a final order granting or denying GC Pivotal, LLC's February 23, 2011 Application for a permanent license.

MINUTE ACTIONS

The Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued the following Minute Action at its regularly scheduled meeting held on April 26, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.:

Case No. U-14000

Wireless Emergency Service Costs

Frontier North Inc. and Frontier Midstates Inc.

<http://efile.mpsc.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=14000>

On April 26, 2010, the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued a Minute Action approving Frontier North Inc. and Frontier Midstates Inc.'s invoice Nos. MI9NGMTS9111102 and MI9NZMTS9111102, for the period of December 1, 2010 to February 28, 2011, for wireless emergency service costs of \$168,485.61, recoverable under 2007 PA 165, MCL 484.1408(4)(b) and authorizing reimbursement by the Michigan Department of Treasury.

APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS |

Case No. U-12798

Interconnection Agreement

AT&T Michigan and Broadwing Communications, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=12798>

On April 21, 2011, AT&T Michigan and Broadwing Communications, LLC jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) for Approval of the Thirteenth Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement. According to the Application, the Thirteenth Amendment removes UNE and resale rates, terms and conditions from the Interconnection Agreement.

Case No. U-16777

Consumer Complaint

Harvey J. Messing v Frontier North, Inc., f/k/a Verizon North, Inc.

On April 14, 2011, Harvey J. Messing, of East Lansing, Michigan, filed a formal Complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) against Frontier North, Inc., f/k/a Verizon North, Inc. According to the Complaint, in April 2009 Mr. Messing ordered service at a location in Shelby, Michigan. Though he requested that written confirmation of the order and future bills, setting forth prices and terms and conditions for such service, be sent to his East Lansing address he did not receive such until July 2009. In June, Mr. Messing was informed disconnection of the service was imminent because of a failure to pay bills, which he claims were never received. Despite repeated discussions between Mr. Messing and Frontier, in September 2009 service was disconnected and all four of Mr. Messing’s cell phone numbers were also terminated. Mr. Messing asks the Commission to order Frontier to pay fines for violations of the Michigan Telecommunications Act (“MTA”) and to make the Complainant whole pursuant to Section 601 of the MTA.

Case No. U-16678

Interconnection Agreement

AT&T Michigan and Peninsula Fiber Network, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16678>

On April 21, 2011, AT&T Michigan and Peninsula Fiber Network, LLC jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

NOTICES OF OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMENT |

The following Notices of Opportunity to Comment have been issued by the Michigan Public Service Commission's Executive Secretary. Any interested person may submit comments on the application by sending written comments to the Commission by mail to: Executive Secretary, Michigan Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 30221, Lansing, Michigan 48909. Electronic comments may be e-mailed to: <mpscefilecases@michigan.gov>. Any comments should reference the applicable docket number.

Case No. U-16439

Multiline Telephones and 9-1-1

Commission's Own Motion

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16439>

Comments Due: Tuesday, May 10, 2011

On February 25, 2011, the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an Order and Notice of Rulemaking inviting interested parties to file Comments on the promulgation of rules for multiline telephone systems regarding the installation of equipment and software necessary to provide specific location information for a 9-1-1 call. Written Comments should reference Case No. U-16439, and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, 2011. Address mailed comments to: Executive Secretary, Michigan Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 30221, Lansing, MI 48909. Electronic comments may be e-mailed to <mpscdockets@michigan.gov>, and documents, in Word or PDF format, may be attached to the e-mail. Comments may also be submitted electronically through the Commission's E-Dockets website at: <<http://michigan.gov/mpscdockets>>. All information submitted to the Commission in this matter will become public information available on the Commission's website and subject to disclosure; and all comments will be filed in Case No. U-16439.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS |

The following Notices of Hearings have been issued by the Michigan Public Service Commission's Executive Secretary. Unless otherwise noted, all hearings are held at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan.

Case No. U-16559

License

GC Pivotal, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16559>

Public Hearing: Thursday, May 19, 2011, at 9:00 a.m.

The February 23, 2011 Application of GC Pivotal, LLC for a license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan in the incumbent service territories of AT&T Michigan, Frontier North Inc., f/k/a Verizon North, Inc., and Frontier Midstates Inc., f/k/a Verizon North Systems will be heard by the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") at an evidentiary hearing at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 19, 2011**, before Administrative Law Theresa A. Sheets at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan. Parties wishing to intervene in this proceeding must do so by Tuesday, May 17, 2011.

MPSC HEARINGS SCHEDULE |

Note: Unless indicated otherwise, hearings are held in the offices of the Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan. Hearing dates and times are subject to change or cancellation. Please check with the Commission’s Executive Secretary at (517) 241-6160 to confirm that a hearing will be taking place.

KNOWN TELECOM HEARINGS SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT FORTNIGHT (MAY 2, 2011 THROUGH MAY 13, 2011)

May 10 and 11, 2011, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-16501/Evidentiary Hearing
AT&T Michigan v B&S Telecom, Inc., Quick
Communications, Inc. and Bruce Yuille
(Interconnection Agreement Dispute)

FUTURE TELECOM HEARINGS SCHEDULED

May 18, 2011, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-16559/Evidentiary Hearing
GC Pivotal, LLC (License)

2011 REGULAR MPSC MEETING DATES[†] |

| <u>Month & Date</u> | <u>Day</u> | <u>Time</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| May 10, 2011 | Tuesday | 4:00 p.m. [‡] |
| May 24, 2011 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. |
| June 16, 2011 | Thursday | 1:30 p.m. |
| June 28, 2011 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. |
| July 12, 2011 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. |
| July 26, 2011 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. |

[†] All meetings of the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) are open to the public and held at the Commission’s offices, which are located at 6545 Mercantile Way, Lansing, MI 48911, unless posted and notified in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation at a Commission meeting should contact the Commission’s Executive Secretary at 517- 241-6160 to request mobility, visual, hearing, or other assistance.

Additional Special Meetings may be scheduled, as needed, on 18-hours notice as permitted by Section 5(4) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.265(4). Agendas for all Regular and Special Meetings will be posted on 18 hours notice. A posted agenda is subject to amendment as determined by the Commission. Any person with a question about a Regular or a Special Meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission may make an inquiry by calling the Commission’s Executive Secretary at (517) 241-6160.

[‡] The Michigan Public Service Commission has announced that its regularly scheduled meeting on May 10, 2011 will be held at 4:00 p.m.

| <u>Month & Date</u> | <u>Day</u> | <u>Time</u> |
|-------------------------|------------|-------------|
| August 11, 2011 | Thursday | 1:30 p.m. |
| August 25, 2011 | Thursday | 1:30 p.m. |
| September 13, 2011 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. |
| September 27, 2011 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. |
| October 11, 2011 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. |
| October 25, 2011 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. |
| November 10, 2011 | Thursday | 1:30 p.m. |
| December 6, 2011 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. |
| December 20, 2011 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. |

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