STATE OF NEW YORK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 14-C-0370 - In the Matter of a Study on the State of Telecommunications in New York State

NOTICE EXTENDING DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS

(Issued August 19, 2015)

On August 17, 2015, the Connect New York Coalition (Coalition) submitted a written request to extend the deadline for comments on the Staff Assessment of Telecommunications Services, the list of general questions attached to the June 23, 2015 Notice in this Case (14-C-0370) and the petition filed by Connect NY on July 1, 2014 (Case 14-C-0306). The Coalition states that additional time is needed for comments to be prepared as industry experts and academics who were likely to submit substantive comments have been away on break or vacation because of the summer season. The Coalition's written request echoes an oral request during the Public Statement Hearing conducted in Buffalo on August 5, 2015. The Coalition requests that the current August 24, 2015 deadline for comments be extended by 60 days.

Frontier Communications (Frontier) also submitted a request on August 17, 2015 to extend the deadline for comments until September 24, 2015. Frontier states that the additional time would allow a more thorough review of the comments made at the recent Public Statement Hearings and to review comments which are due next month in related Federal Communications Commission matters.

In recognition of these requests, this is to advise that the deadline to file comments is hereby extended 60 days until October 23, 2015 in order to facilitate meaningful input, accommodate various schedules, and promote the fair, orderly and efficient conduct of this proceeding. Following the submission of comments, Staff will consider the need for further process, which could include further Public Statement Hearings, Technical Conferences or other steps as deemed necessary. Notices would be issued regarding any such events.

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