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Ms. Sandra Squire
Executive Secretary
Public Service Commission
201 Brooks Street
Charleston WV 25301

Re: Proposed sale of Verizon to Frontier

Dear Ms. Squire:

Most recently the Wood County Commission was approached by current employees of Verizon who expressed concerns over the proposed sale to Frontier.

The Wood County Commission understands and respects the free market system, thus allowing businesses to sell their product, and in this case, business within West Virginia.

There are a few areas which we hope the Public Service Commission will keep in mind when making a decision on this sale.

- We ask that you recognize the importance of the 911 mapping service conducted by the phone company in cooperation with local 911 call centers. We feel that this should be retained in a West Virginia location.
- We are concerned about the possible impact or loss of jobs that might occur, if jobs are consolidated and/or taken out of state. Obviously, we prefer that West Virginia workers feel comfortable in that their jobs will be secure.
- Customer Service. Again, we would encourage Frontier to maintain a physical presence within West Virginia and to continue to utilize the West Virginia workforce.

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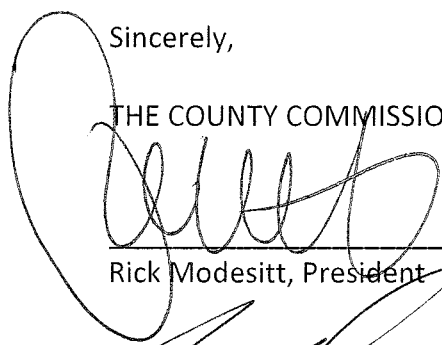
- Lastly, we would encourage a continued commitment to upgrading equipment and technology for the customers within West Virginia.

We believe in West Virginia workers! We want to feel confident that any new owner of the Verizon company within West Virginia will continue to utilize our West Virginia workforce and that the citizens/customers of West Virginia be given the best product and service available to any other state.

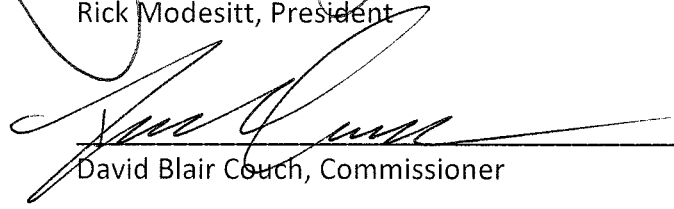
We wish to thank you for your time and efforts as you address this important issue.

Sincerely,

THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY



Rick Modesitt, President



David Blair Couch, Commissioner



Wayne Dunn, Commissioner

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