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<b>Date of Bulletin:</b>	January 19, 2023
<b>Notice #:</b>	CCBFTR02090
<b>Audience:</b>	Carrier, IXC, CLEC, Reseller
<b>Subject:</b>	Notice of Rate Increases and Changes of Law: Discontinuance of Certain Unbundling Obligations per FCC Forbearance and Modernization Orders and Discontinuance of the Avoided Cost Discount for Resold Service
<b>Date Effective:</b>	March 1, 2023

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On January 14, 2020, Frontier issued a bulletin informing you of the discontinuance of UNE analog loops per the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) Forbearance Order (August 2019, FCC 19-72) granting relief from Unbundled Network Elements (UNE) loop requirements under Section 251(c)(4) of the Communications Act of 1934 as amended. Since then, you may have also received a separate contract notice. In the January 14, 2020 bulletin, Frontier indicated that in-use UNE analog loops would be grandfathered through August 2, 2022, and, on or before that date, your company must convert UNE analog loops to an alternate non-UNE service (e.g., under terms of a commercial agreement or as a service provided under a Frontier applicable tariff or pricelist). Frontier is updating that communication as follows to provide your company with additional time for conversion or disconnection:

**Discontinuance of Certain Unbundling per FCC Schedule.** Pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) Forbearance and Modernization Orders,<sup>1</sup> and notwithstanding anything that may be to the contrary in any Interconnection Agreement, Frontier is no longer obligated to provide to Customers Embedded Base UNE Loops at their previous rates, terms and conditions as of the terms and timeframes established by the FCC,<sup>2</sup> as follows ("**FCC Schedule**"):

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<sup>1</sup> The FCC issued its Memorandum Opinion and Order, WC Docket Nos. 18-141 et al. (rel. Aug. 2, 2019) ("**UNE Loop-Resale Order**"), Report and Order on Remand and Memorandum Opinion Order, WC Docket Nos. 18-141 et al. (rel. July 12, 2019) ("**UNE Transport Forbearance Order**"), and In re. Modernizing Unbundling and Resale Requirements in an Era of Next-Generation Networks and Services, WC Docket No. 19-308 (the "**2020 Order**") (with the UNE Loop-Resale Order, the UNE Transport Forbearance Order and the 2020 Order collectively referred to as the "**FCC Forbearance and Modernization Orders**"). Per the FCC Forbearance and Modernization Orders, this contract notice, and previous notices regarding resale and UNEs, Customer is on notice of the changes of law resulting from the FCC Forbearance and Modernization Orders, rate increases and Frontier's intent to implement and apply those changes as of the earliest applicable date.

<sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used in the FCC Schedule not defined in this bulletin have the meanings set forth in the FCC Forbearance and Modernization Orders.



1. UNE Analog Loops effective September 1, 2022
2. UNE DSO Digital Loops for Urbanized Areas:
  - a. New ordering ends: February 8, 2023
  - b. Twenty-five percent (25%) price increase: February 8, 2024
  - c. Pricing regulation ends: February 8, 2025
3. UNE DS1 Digital Loops for Competitive Counties:
  - a. New ordering ends: February 8, 2023
  - b. Pricing regulation ends: August 8, 2024
4. UNE DS3 Digital Loops for Competitive Counties:
  - a. New ordering ended: February 8, 2021
  - b. Pricing regulation ends: February 8, 2024

The changes of law per the FCC Forbearance and Modernization Orders, including discontinuance of unbundling of analog and digital loops at unbundled loop rates per the FCC Schedule, are self-effectuating and do not require an amendment of the Interconnection Agreement. The FCC has provided a transition over time, pursuant to which your company has been able to plan for these changes accordingly.

**Rate Increases.** Rates have increased or will increase for unbundled analog and digital loops effective as of the dates set forth in the FCC Schedule. For unbundled analog loops for the states of California, Florida, and Texas, the new rates are reflected in Attachment A to this notice. For unbundled analog loops for all other states and for unbundled digital loops, rates will also increase, with details to follow by separate notice. Some rate changes may be effectuated initially using a true-up to operationalize the rate increases.

**Reminder - Discontinuance of Wholesale Discount.** As previously indicated, pursuant to the FCC's rulings in the FCC Forbearance and Modernization Orders eliminating a resale (e.g., avoided cost) discount<sup>3</sup> as of February 2, 2020 (new orders) and August 2, 2022 (all orders), Frontier need not provide any telecommunication service for resale at a wholesale discount, and the applicable tariff rate applies without a discount. When a tariff rate applies, rates for any applicable features and any fees, such as the multi-line business subscriber line charge and the access recovery surcharge, apply per the tariff. For resold Services, without the discount, a resale bill generally appears the same as it does today, except that there is no credit for the wholesale discount. For details, please refer Frontier's October 5, 2022 bulletin.

If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact your Frontier Account Manager.

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<sup>3</sup> Please refer to Frontier's earlier notices and the FCC Forbearance and Modernization Orders regarding discontinuance of the wholesale (e.g., avoided cost) discount for resale.



**ATTACHMENT A**

**RATES AND CHARGES:  
ANALOG EMBEDDED BASE UNE LOOPS**

The rates and charges associated with analog\* Embedded Base UNE Loop Service, which is provided on a month-to-month basis, includes the following Monthly Recurring Charges (“**MRCs**”). Non-Recurring Charges (“**NRCs**”) shall apply at the same rates that were billing as of the effective date of this notice.

**CALIFORNIA\***

<b>S&amp;E Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Old MRC</b>	<b>New MRC</b>	<b>Density Zone</b>
69474	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$11.93	\$14.32	1
69475	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$11.93	\$14.32	1
69A74	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$46.71	\$56.05	2
69A75	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$46.71	\$56.05	2
69B74	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$134.74	\$161.69	3
69B75	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$134.74	\$161.69	3
69160	2 Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$11.93	\$14.32	1
69498	2 Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$11.93	\$14.32	1
69A60	2 Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$46.71	\$56.05	2
69A98	2 Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$46.71	\$56.05	2
69B60	2 Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$134.74	\$161.69	3
69B98	2 Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$134.74	\$161.69	3
69161	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$23.06	\$27.67	1
69499	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$23.06	\$27.67	1
69A61	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$90.27	\$108.32	2
69A99	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$90.27	\$108.32	2
69B61	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$260.42	\$312.50	3
69B99	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$260.42	\$312.50	3

\* The rates for digital loops increase effective as of the dates set forth in the FCC Schedule. Details to follow.



**FLORIDA\***

<b>S&amp;E Code</b>	<b>SE Desc</b>	<b>Old MRC</b>	<b>New MRC</b>	<b>Density Zone</b>
69A74	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$16.18	\$19.42	2
69474	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$12.00	\$14.40	1
69B74	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$27.54	\$33.05	3
69160	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$12.00	\$14.40	1
69498	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$12.00	\$14.40	1
69A60	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$16.18	\$19.42	2
69A98	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$16.18	\$19.42	2
69B60	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$27.54	\$33.05	3
69B98	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$27.54	\$33.05	3
69161	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$28.45	\$34.14	1
69499	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$28.45	\$34.14	1
69A61	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$38.36	\$46.03	2
69A99	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$38.36	\$46.03	2
69B61	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$65.31	\$78.37	3
69B99	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$65.31	\$78.37	3

\* The rates for digital loops increase effective as of the dates set forth in the FCC Schedule. Details to follow.



TEXAS\*

S&E Code	SE Desc	Old MRC	New MRC	Density Zone
69474	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$13.63	\$16.36	1
69475	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$13.63	\$16.36	1
69A74	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$35.45	\$42.54	2
69A75	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$35.45	\$42.54	2
69B74	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$78.77	\$94.52	3
69B75	2 Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$78.77	\$94.52	3
69160	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$13.63	\$16.36	1
69498	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$13.63	\$16.36	1
69A60	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$35.45	\$42.54	2
69A98	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$35.45	\$42.54	2
69B60	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$78.77	\$94.52	3
69B98	2-Wire Analog Loop - Non-Designed	\$78.77	\$94.52	3
69161	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$19.53	\$23.44	1
69499	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$19.53	\$23.44	1
69A61	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$50.81	\$60.97	2
69A99	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$50.81	\$60.97	2
69B61	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$112.89	\$135.47	3
69B99	4-Wire Analog Loop - Designed	\$112.89	\$135.47	3

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