J. Russell Farrar William N. Bates Kristin Ellis Berexa Teresa Reall Ricks Mary Byrd Ferrara* Robyn Beale Williams Jennifer Orr Locklin Keith F. Blue Heather C. Stewart Derrick A. Free David M. Hannah Deanna L. Cooper Beth L. Frazer Jeffrey M. Cranford

LAW OFFICES

Farrar Bates Phone 615.254.3060 Fax 615.254.9835

211 Seventh Avenue North Suite 500 Nashville, TN 37219 fblaw@farrar-bates.com

> Of Counsel Don Baltimore

*Also licensed in KY

January 24, 2008

Ms. Kelly Grams, Hearing Officer Tennessee Regulatory Authority Attn: Sharla Dillon – Dockets 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

filed electronically in docket office on 01/24/08

Re:

Complaint of Ben Lomand Rural Telephone Cooperative against Citizens Communications Company of Tennessee, LLC d/b/a Frontier Communications of Tennessee: Docket No. 07-00073

Dear Hearing Officer Grams:

As I stated in my phone conversation of January 23, 2008, with you, Guilford Thornton, counsel for Frontier Communications of Tennessee, and I are jointly requesting that the procedural schedule be suspended indefinitely while settlement discussions are held. Suspension of the procedural schedule will not impair the interests of justice and will enable the parties to further negotiate, which may result in a settlement.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

H. LaDon Baltimore

Counsel for Ben Lomand Rural Telephone

Lader Baltin

Cooperative, Inc.

LDB/skm

Cc: Levoy Knowles, Ben Lomand Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. Guilford Thornton, Esq., Frontier Communications of Tennessee