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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Honorable Eddie Roberson, Chairman  
c/o Sharla Dillon, Docket & Records Manager  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

**RE: Petition of Frontier Communications of America, Inc. to Amend Its  
Certificate of Convenience and Necessity  
TRA Docket No. 07-00155**

Dear Chairman Roberson:

Enclosed please find one (1) original and thirteen (13) copies of Bledsoe Telephone Cooperative's Petition for Leave to Intervene. We have also enclosed one (1) copy of the documents to be file stamped for our records. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$25.00 for the filing fee. If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

Melvin J. Malone

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Enclosures  
cc: Guilford F. Thornton, Jr.  
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**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**IN RE:**

<b>PETITION OF FRONTIER</b>	<b>)</b>	<b>DOCKET NO. 07-00155</b>
<b>COMMUNICATIONS OF AMERICA,</b>	<b>)</b>	
<b>INC. TO AMEND ITS CERTIFICATE</b>	<b>)</b>	
<b>OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY</b>	<b>)</b>	

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**PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE OF  
BLEDSON TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE**

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Bledson Telephone Cooperative (“Bledson” or “Petitioner”), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby seeks leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-310. In support of this petition, Petitioner states as follows:

1. Petitioner is a Tennessee telephone cooperative authorized and organized under state law, specifically Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 65-29-101 *et seq.*, to operate and to provide services in the State of Tennessee and maintains its offices at 203 Cumberland Avenue, Pikeville, Tennessee 37367.

2. Petitioner provides a range of telecommunications services in its service area in the State of Tennessee.

3. In its Petition, Frontier Communications of America, Inc. (“Frontier”) states that it intends to provide service in the service territory of Ben Lomand Rural Telephone Cooperative and then potentially in the service territory of other telephone cooperatives.

4. As Petitioner is a Tennessee telephone cooperative, the subject of this proceeding may directly affect Petitioner’s operations in the State of Tennessee.

5. Petitioner's legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other legal interests may be determined in this proceeding.

6. Because of its direct interest in this proceeding, Petitioner respectfully seeks to intervene in this matter.

7. The interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing the requested intervention.

8. Should the requested intervention be granted, all notices, pleadings, orders, documents and the like in this proceeding should be provided to:

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Based on the foregoing considerations, Petitioner requests the Authority to grant this request for intervention.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mark W. Smith', written over a horizontal line.

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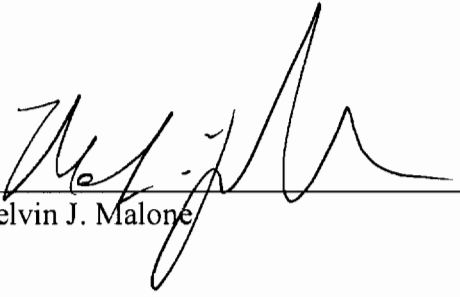
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### **Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy has been forwarded via U.S. Mail to the following on this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2007.

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