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## **JOINT APPLICATION**

COME **NOW** Citizens Communications Company ("Citizens"), Citizens Telecommunications Company ("Citizens Telecommunications")<sup>1</sup> and Frontier Communications of America, Inc. ("Frontier Communications of America") (collectively the "Parties"), by their undersigned counsel, and hereby respectfully request that the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") issue an Order approving an intra-company reorganization and merger transaction.

Specifically, Citizens owns two subsidiaries, Citizens Telecommunications and Frontier Communications of America that provide long distance telecommunications services to customers in the State of Florida. In order to gain operational efficiencies and to improve customer responsiveness, the Parties intend to effectuate a transaction whereby Frontier Communications of America will be merged into Citizens Telecommunications. Upon the conclusion of the transaction, the combined companies will provide service under the name "Frontier Communications of America, Inc."

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