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## **VIA E-FILING**

Adam J. Teitzman Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: 25-18.020 Pole Safety, Inspection, Maintenance, and Vegetation Management.

Dear Mr. Teitzman,

Pursuant to the Commission's rules, 25-18.020 of the Florida Administrative Code, Frontier Florida, LLC and Frontier Communications of the South, LLC ("Frontier") is providing this 2025 annual report regarding its 2024 pole inspections and vegetation management program.

During 2024, Frontier inspected 10,428 poles and estimates it will inspect 14,405 poles in 2025. Frontier's vegetation management efforts covered 35.6 miles which were accelerated as a result of Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

The following identifies Frontier's pole inspection and vegetation management program results as of December 31, 2024.

2024	Results
i. Number of poles with public utility electrical facilities the CSP owned in whole or in part at the beginning and end of the calendar year	94,209 total poles
	23,291 with power
ii. Number of poles that were scheduled for inspection	10,181
iii. The number of poles that were actually inspected	10,428
	4,238 with power
iv. The number of poles that failed inspection	3,307
	1,595 with power
v. The number of poles strength tested and the methods used to ensure compliance with NESC strength requirements	2,483 with power
	(resi-drill/sound and
	bore)
vi. The number of poles that failed strength testing	1,595 with power



2024	Results
vii. The number of poles repaired and a summary of the repairs	4,400
	2,143 with power
	Repairs predominately consisted of broken or loose ground wires, damaged hardware (ex: terminals), loose or down guys.
viii. The number of poles replaced and the reason for replacement	182
	60 with power
	45 failed strength testing; 137 damage or safety issues (pending replacement)
ix. The total miles of vegetation management performed	35.6 miles
2025	
i. The number of poles to be inspected;	14,405
ii. The total miles of vegetation management to be conducted	10 miles

Should you have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>judy.geise@ftr.com</u> or (214) 724-7719.

Respectfully submitted,

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