

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Ruesterholz Virginia P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS CORP [FTR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/30/2016

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

401 MERRITT SEVEN

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NORWALK, CT 06851

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|------------|----------------------------------|----------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | | | |
| Phantom Stock Units | <u>(1)</u> | 12/30/2016 | <u>A</u> | <u>(2)</u> | 3,772.18 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 3,772.18 |
| Phantom Stock Units | <u>(1)</u> | 12/30/2016 | <u>A</u> | <u>(3)</u> | 1,479.29 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 1,479.29 |
| Phantom Stock Units | <u>(1)</u> | 01/03/2017 | <u>A</u> | <u>(4)</u> | 8,379.89 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 8,379.89 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Ruesterholz Virginia P 401 MERRITT SEVEN NORWALK, CT 06851 | | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Mark D. Nielsen, under Power of Attorney

01/04/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Phantom stock units convert one-for-one into shares of common stock or cash equivalent, at the election of the Reporting Person, upon the Reporting Person's termination of service as a director of the Company.
- (2) Acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Non-Employee Directors' Equity Incentive Plan.
- (3) Pursuant to Reporting Person's election to receive stipends in phantom stock units.
- (4) Quarterly payment of portion of annual retainer paid in the form of phantom stock units.

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