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June 23, 2014

Dr. Burl W. Haar Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7th Place East, Suite 350 St. Paul, MN 55101

# Re: In the Matter of Annual Certifications Related to Eligible Telecommunications Carrier's (ETC) Use of the Federal Universal Service Support MPUC Docket No. P-999/PR-14-8

Dear Dr. Haar:

On November 18, 2011, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") released its *USF/ICC Transformation Order* in WC Docket No. 10-90, et al. With that Order, the FCC began a transition to a national framework for certification of Eligible Telecommunications Carriers ("ETCs") and set forth a standard set of information that all ETCs must file with the FCC by July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The Order also required ETCs to provide the same information to the respective state commissions.

The annual ETC reporting requirements are contained in 47 C.F.R. § 54.313 of the FCC's rules. The FCC has developed a reporting template, Form 481, to be utilized by ETCs to report the data and certifications required by 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.422.

Enclosed are Forms 481 for Qwest Corporation and Embarq Minnesota, Inc., as filed by CenturyLink with the FCC. The outage information and certain Tribal engagement information that is customer or company proprietary information required by § 54.313(a)(2) and (9) in Form 481 is confidential. In addition, the detailed broadband speed availability information at the exchange level provided in response to § 54.313(a)(7) is also confidential. CenturyLink requests this information be treated as trade secret.

Consistent with past years, CenturyLink requests that you provide the required certification to the FCC pursuant to 47 C.F.R § 54.314 by October 1, 2014 in order for the Company to continue receipt of its Federal high cost support in Minnesota.

200 South 5th Street, Room 2200 Minneapolis, MN 55402 www.centurylink.com Dr. Burl W. Haar Page 2 June 23, 2014

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions regarding this filing.

Very truly yours,

/s/ JoAnn Hanson

JoAnn Hanson

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Enclosures

cc: Service List

# STATE OF MINNESOTA BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Beverly Jones Heydinger	Chair
David Boyd	Commissioner
Nancy Lange	Commissioner
Dan Lipschultz	Commissioner
Betsy Wergin	Commissioner

Re: In the Matter of Annual Certifications related to Eligible Telecommunications Carriers' (ETCs) Use of the Federal Universal Service Support Docket No. P999/PR-14-8

# AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF MINNESOTA ) ) ss COUNTY OF HENNEPIN )

Dianne Barthel hereby certifies that on the 23rd day of June, 2014, she e-filed true and correct copies of the FCC Form 481 for Qwest Corporation and Embarq Minnesota by posting them on <u>www.edockets.state.mn.us</u>. Said documents were also served via U.S. mail and e-mail as designated on the Official Service List on file with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission.

/s/ Dianne Barthel Dianne Barthel

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of June, 2014.

<u>/s/ LeAnn M. Cammarata</u> Notary Public

My Commission Expires Jan 31, 2015

# TRADE SECRET/PRIVILEGED INFORMATION CLASSIFICATION RATIONALE

# State: Minnesota

# Description/Title of Information: In the Matter of Annual Certifications related to Eligible Telecommunications Carriers' (ETCs) Use of the Federal Universal Service Support; Docket No. P-999/PR-14-8

**Rationale:** The FCC Form 481 filings for Qwest Corporation and Embarq Minnesota contain information that is considered Trade Secret because the information is not generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain value from its disclosure or use. For this reason, The FCC Form 481 Filings for Qwest Corporation and Embarq Minnesota should be protected from public disclosure.

FCC For	m 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form		OME	Form 481 8 Control No. 3060-09 2013	86/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
<010>	Study Area Code	361456			
<015>	Study Area Name	EMBARQ MINNESOTA			
<020>	Program Year	2015			
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	Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	3183621538 ext.			
<039>	Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	ken.buchan@centur	ylink.com		
ANNUA	L REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS				54.313 54.422 Completion Required (check box when complete)
<100>	Service Quality Improvement Reporting		(complete attached workshee	et)	
<200>	Outage Reporting (voice)		(complete attached workshee	et)	✓ ✓
<210>	check box if no	outages to report		Γ	✓ (1)(1)
<300>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice) 0				
<310>	Detail on Attempts (voice)			]	
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<320>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband)				
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				(attach descriptive do	cument)
<400>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (voice)				
<410>	Fixed 0.43				
<420>	Mobile 0.0				
<430> <440>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (broad				
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<510>			(attached descriptive doc	ument)	✓ ✓
<600>	Functionality in Emergency Situations		(check to indicate certificati	ion)	
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<700>	Company Price Offerings (voice)		(complete attached worksh	eet)	
	Company Price Offerings (broadband)		(complete attached workshi		
	Operating Companies and Affiliates		(complete attached worksh		
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<1100:	> Terrestrial Backhaul (Y/N)?		(if not, check to indicate certifica	tion)	
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<1200>	<ul> <li>Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers</li> </ul>	Documontation M	(complete attached worksh	neet)	
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PUBLIC DOCUMENT TRADE SECRET DATA HAS BEEN EXCISED

(100) Se	ervice Quality Improvement Reporting		FCC Form 481
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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	ken.buchan@centurylink.com	
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<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no ) 🔘 💽	
	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5	$\cap \cap$	
<111>	year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no ) U U	/
<112>	If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service. Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your co CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.	ompany is a	
	required to address voice telephony service.		
	Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached documents(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to § 54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.	e	Name of Attached Document
<113>	Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets		
<114>	Report how much universal service (USF) support was received		
<115>	How (USF) was used to improve service quality		
<116>	How (USF)was used to improve service coverage		
<117>	How (USF) was used to improve service capacity		
<118>	Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.		
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#### (200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice) Data Collection Form

Data conection form

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<015>	Study Area Name	EMBARQ MINNESOTA
<020>	Program Year	2015
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# (700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data

Data Collection Form

Study Area Code	361456
Study Area Name	EMBARQ MINNESOTA
Program Year	2015
Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Kenneth W. Buchan
Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	3183621538 ext.
Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	ken.buchan@centurylink.com
	Study Area Name Program Year Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>

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<701> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date

<702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge

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					Residential Local			Mandatory Extended Area	
	State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees
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(710) Broadband Price Offerings Data Collection Form July 2013

 <010>
 Study Area Code
 361456

 <010>
 Study Area Name
 EMBARQ MINNESOTA

 <020>
 Program Year
 2015

 <030>
 Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data
 Kenneth W. Buchan

 <035>
 Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>
 3183621538 ext.

 <039>
 Contact Email Address of person identified in data line <030>
 ken.buchan@centurylink.com

<b1> <d1> <d2> <d3> <d4> <711> Broadband Service -Usage Allowance Action Taken When State Regulated Download Speed Broadband Service -Usage Allowance **Residential Rate** State Exchange (ILEC) Fees Total Rate and Fees (Mbps) Upload Speed (Mbps) (GB) Limit Reached {select } See attached worksheet-

(800) Op	erating Companies				FCC Form 481
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<039>	Contact Email Address -	Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	ken.buchan@ce	enturylink.com	
<810>	Reporting Carrier	Embarg Minnesota, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink			
<811>	Holding Company	CenturyLink, Inc.			
<812>	Operating Company	Embarq Minnesota, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink			
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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <	:030>	ken.buchan@centurylink.com	· · · · ·
<910>	Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves	See Line	ne 920	
<920>	Tribal Government Engagement Obligation	361456m	mn920.pdf Name of Attached Document	
to confir demonst	ompany serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes m the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, trates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to (a)(9) includes:	Sele (Yes,I NA	s,No,	

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select	
(Yes,No,	
NA)	
Yes	
Yes	



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<1120>	Please check this box to confirm no terrestrial backhaul poptions exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G)		
	Please check this box to confirm the reporting carrier offers		

<1130>

broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G)

1	rms and Condition for Lifeline Customers		FCC Form 481
Lifeline Data Coll	ection Form		OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<1210>	Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans		361456mm1210.pdf
			Name of Attached Document
<1220>	Link to Public Website	нттр -	http://www.centurylink.com/tariffs/mn_eqmn_gen_c.pdf
or the we	neck these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 12 bsite listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must report:		
<1221>	Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,		
<1222>	Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,		]
<1223>	Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.		Ī

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2000) Pr	ice Cap Carrier Additional Documentation		FCC Form 481
ata Col	ection Form		OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
ncluding	Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers		July 2013
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<010> <015>	Study Area Code Study Area Name	361456 EMBARQ MINNESOTA	
<015>	Study Area Name	EMBARQ MINNESOTA	
<015> <020>	Study Area Name Program Year	EMBARQ MINNESOTA 2015	

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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect America Phase I support, frozen High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),{e} the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

<2010> <2011>	Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting 2nd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)} 3rd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(2)}	
<2012> <2013> <2014> <2015>	Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification {47 CFR § 54.312(a)} 2013 Frozen Support Certification 2014 Frozen Support Certification 2015 Frozen Support Certification 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification	
<2016>	Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)} Certification Support Used to Build Broadband	
<2017> <2018> <2019> <2020>	Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313{e}} 3rd year Broadband Service Certification 5th year Broadband Service Certification Interim Progress Certification Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 2021, contains the requir pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, na addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service preceding calendar year.	red information ames, and ce in the
<2021>	Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3000) R	ate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation	FCC Form 481
	ection Form	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
Data Col	ection com	July 2013
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CHECK t	he hoxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan foursuant	t to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47
		e information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.
	December Deventor f Vern Dien	
(3010)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i))	
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
	Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 30	
(3011)	§ 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and address	
	providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	
(3012)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2))	(Yes/No)
	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)
Please	check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017,	, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:
(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for	
	Telecommunications Borrowers)	
(3016)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, income Statement and Statement of Cas	
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	
	report and an required documentation	
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, Is your company audited?	(Yes/No)
	If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to	
(2010)	confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains	
(2013)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a for	mat comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Ca	sh Flows
(3021)	Management letter issued by the independent certified public accountant that p	erformed the company's financial audit.
	If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below	
	to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2),	
	contains:	
(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a	
	format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications	
	Borrowers,	<b></b>
(3023)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified	
(3024)	public accountant Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.	l − − −
(3024) (3025)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, income Statement and Statement of Cas	sh Flows
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(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

Certification - Reporting Carrier Data Collection Form July 2013
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#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibi recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information rep		uirements for universal service support
Name of Reporting Carrier: EMBARQ MINNESOTA		
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE		Date 06/03/2014
Printed name of Authorized Officer: David Cole		
Title or position of Authorized Officer: Executive Vice Presid	lent - Operations Support and Controller	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 3183889000 ext.		
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 361456	Filing Due Date for this form: 06/30/2014	

	ion - Agent / Carrier ection Form	FGC Form 481 HOMB Control No: 3060-0986/CMB Control No: 3060-0819 July 2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier							
certify that (Name of Agent) is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting ca also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the author agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.							
Name of Authorized Agent:							
Name of Reporting Carrier:							
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date:						
Printed name of Authorized Officer:							
Title or position of Authorized Officer:							
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:							
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:						
Persons willfully making false statements on this form ca	be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.						

#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent /	Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipien	ts on Behalf of Reporting Carrier			
as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided he data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.					
Name of Reporting Carrier:					
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:					
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:		Date:			
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:					
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent					
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Ag	ent:				
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:				
Persons willfully making false statements on this form	can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 15 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title			

Attachments

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MN	Alexandria		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.0	14.62
MN	Altura		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	7.63	22.25
MN	Bennettville		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MIN	Benson		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.0	14.62
MN	Browerville		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Brownton		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Buffalo Lake		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Carlos		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MIN	Chaska		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	3.75	18.37
MN	Cokato		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	4.19	18.81
MN	Cologne		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	3.75	18.37
MN	Crosby		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.5	15.12
MN	Dassel		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.5	15.12
MIN	Deerwood		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Elgin		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Eyota		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Glencoe		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.5	15.12
MN	Granite Falls		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.0	14.62
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State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fee
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MN	Howard Lake		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	9.7	24.32
MN	Lake City		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.0	14.62
MN	Lester Prairie		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Lewiston		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	7.52	22.14
MN	Long Prairie		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.0	14.62
MN	Millville		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	4.5	19.12
MN	New Richland		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.0	14.62
MN	Norwood		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	8.16	22.78
MN	Osseo		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	3.75	18.37
MN	Plainview		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	4.5	19.12
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MN	Rogers		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	3.75	18.37
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MN	St James		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.0	14.62
MN	St Michael		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	3.75	18.37
MN	Silver Lake		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Stewart		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Victoria		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	3.75	18.37
MIN	Villard		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Waconia		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	3.75	18.37

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MN	Waldorf		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Zumbro Falls		FR	14.59	0.0	0.03	0.78	15.4
MN	Aitkin		MS	9.09	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.12
MN	Alexandria		MS	9.75	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.78
MN	Altura		MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
MN	Bennettville		MS	9.06	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.09
MN	Benson		MS	9.62	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.65
MN	Browerville		MS	9.43	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.46
MN	Brownton		MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
MN	Buffalo Lake		MS	9.46	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.49
MN	Carlos		MS	9.06	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.09
MN	Chaska		MS	9.92	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.95
MN	Cokato		MS	9.2	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.23
MN	Cologne		MS	9.48	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.51
MN	Crosby		MS	9.21	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.24
MN	Dassel		MS	9.27	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.3
MN	Deerwood		MS	9.08	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.11
MN	Elgin		MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
MN	Eyota		MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
MN	Glencoe		MS	9.23	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.26
MN	Granite Falls		MS	9.01	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.04

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MN	Hastings		MS	9.91	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.94
MN	Holmes City		MS	9.02	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.05
MN	Howard Lake		MS	9.07	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.1
MN	Lake City		MS	9.88	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.91
MIN	Lester Prairie		MS	9.05	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.08
MN	Lewiston		MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
MN	Long Prairie	·	MS	12.3	0.0	0.03	0.0	12.33
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MN	New Richland		MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
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MN	Plainview		MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
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MN	St James		MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
MN	St Michael		MS	10.04	0.0	0.03	0.0	10.07
MIN	Silver Lake		MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
MN	Stewart		MS	9.01	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.04
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MIN	Waconia		MS	10.15	0.0	0.03	0.0	10.18
MN	Waldorf		MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
MN	Zumbro Fal	ls	MS	9.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	9.03
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Central Telephone Company (Nevada)	552348	CenturyLink
Central Telephone Company (North Carolina)	230471	CenturyLink
Central Telephone Company of Texas, Inc.	442114	CenturyLink
Central Telephone Company of Virginia	190254	CenturyLink
CenturyLink Communications Company, LLC		None
CenturyTel Broadband Services, LLC		CenturyLink Broadband
CenturyTel Midwest - Michigan, Inc.	310671	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Adamsville, Inc.	290552	CenturyLink Adamsville
CenturyTel of Alabama, LLC (Northern)	259789	CenturyLink
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CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon, Inc.	532361	CenturyLink
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CenturyTel of Fairwater-Brandon-Alto, LLC	330877	CenturyLink
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CenturyTel of Inter-Island, Inc.	522408	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Lake Dallas, Inc.	442101	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Larsen-Readfield, LLC	330898	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Michigan, Inc.	310702	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Minnesota, Inc.	361445	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Belle-Herman)	429785	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Central)	429784	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Southern)	429786	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Southwest)	429787	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Monroe County, LLC	330913	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Montana, Inc.	482249	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Mountain Home, Inc.	401711	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of North Louisiana, LLC	270436	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of North Mississippi, Inc.	280458	None
CenturyTel of Northern Michigan, Inc.	310705	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Northern Wisconsin, LLC	330956	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Northwest Arkansas, LLC (Russellville)	401142	CenturyLink

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CenturyTel of Odon, Inc.	320801	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc.	300630	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Ooltewah-Collegedale, Inc.	290574	CenturyLink Ooltewah-Collegedale
CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc.	532361	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Port Aransas, Inc.	442117	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Postville, Inc.	351274	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Redfield, Inc.	401720	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Ringgold, LLC	270439	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of San Marcos, Inc.	442140	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of South Arkansas, Inc.	401727	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Southeast Louisiana, LLC	270424	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Southern Wisconsin, LLC	330931	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Southwest Louisiana, LLC	270442	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. (Idaho)	472223	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. (Nevada)	552223	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of the Midwest-Kendall, LLC	330924	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC (Casco)	330857	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC (Cencom)	330841	CenturyLink
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CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC (Platteville)	330934	CenturyLink

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CenturyTel of the Southwest, Inc.	492274	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Upper Michigan, Inc.	310689	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Washington, Inc.	522408	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Wisconsin, LLC	330895	CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Wyoming, Inc.	512299	CenturyLink
Coastal Utilities, Inc.	220356	CenturyLink
Embarq Florida, Inc.	210341	CenturyLink
Embarg Minnesota, Inc.	361456	CenturyLink
Embarq Missouri, Inc. (Kansas)	411957	CenturyLink
Embarq Missouri, Inc. (Missouri)	421957	CenturyLink
Gallatin River Communications, LLC	341057	CenturyLink GRC
Gulf Telephone Company, LLC	250298	CenturyLink
Hillsboro Telephone Company, Inc.	330892	Unknown
Mebtel, Inc.	230485	CenturyLink
Qwest Broadband Services, Inc.		CenturyLink
Qwest Corporation (Arizona)	455101	CenturyLink QC
Qwest Corporation (Colorado)	465102	CenturyLink QC
Qwest Corporation (Iowa)	355141	CenturyLink QC
Qwest Corporation (Minnesota)	365142	CenturyLink QC
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Qwest Corporation (Nebraska)	375143	CenturyLink QC

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Qwest Corporation (North Dakota)	385144	CenturyLink QC
Qwest Corporation (Northern Idaho)	475162	CenturyLink QC
Qwest Corporation (Oregon)	535163	CenturyLink QC
Qwest Corporation (South Dakota)	395145	CenturyLink QC
Qwest Corporation (Southern Idaho)	475103	CenturyLink QC
Qwest Corporation (Utah)	505107	CenturyLink QC
Qwest Corporation (Washington)	525161	CenturyLink QC
Qwest Corporation (Wyoming)	515108	CenturyLink QC
Spectra Communications Group, LLC	421151	CenturyLink
Telephone USA of Wisconsin, LLC	331155	CenturyLink
The El Paso County Telephone Company	462187	CenturyLink
United Telephone Company of Eastern Kansas	411317	CenturyLink
United Telephone Company of Indiana, Inc.	320832	CenturyLink
United Telephone Company of Kansas	411842	None
United Telephone Company of New Jersey, Inc.	160138	CenturyLink
United Telephone Company of Ohio	300661	CenturyLink
United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC, The	170209	CenturyLink
United Telephone Company of Southcentral Kansas	411317	CenturyLink
United Telephone Company of Texas, Inc	442084	CenturyLink
United Telephone Company of the Carolinas LLC	240506	CenturyLink of the Carolinas
United Telephone Company of the Northwest (Oregon)	532400	CenturyLink
United Telephone Company of the Northwest (Washington)	522400	CenturyLink

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. —	United Telephone Company of the West (Nebraska)	371595	CenturyLink
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	United Telephone Southeast, LLC (Virginia)	190567	CenturyLink
	United Telephone Southeast, LLC (Tennessee)	290567	CenturyLink
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## AFFIDAVIT CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH §54.313(A)(5), §54.313(A)(6), and §54.314(a)

Section (500) – Service Quality Certification Section (600) – Emergency Carrier Certification Section (2012) – Frozen Support Certification; and Accuracy of Annual Reporting of CAF Recipients Certification

For the CenturyLink ETCs as listed in Appendix A, I, David D. Cole, being of lawful age and duly sworn, on my oath and under penalty of perjury, state that I am the Senior Vice President for Operations Support and Controller of CenturyLink, Inc. ("Company") and that I am authorized to execute this affidavit on behalf of the Company.

The Company hereby certifies pursuant to the requirements under 47 C.F.R. §54.313(A)(5) and §54.313(A)(6) that:

- 1) CenturyLink has established operational procedures designed to facilitate compliance with applicable consumer protection rules,
- CenturyLink has established operational procedures designed to facilitate compliance with service quality standards which may include customer remedies and improvement plans. CenturyLink also reports service quality metrics to State Commissions as applicable,
- 3) CenturyLink is able to remain functional in emergency situations as set forth in §54.202(a)(2),
- 4) All frozen federal universal service support provided to CenturyLink ETCs listed in Appendix A was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, and
- 5) To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information reported on this form including attachments is accurate.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

-DATED this it day of April 2014 David D. Cole

SVP – Operations Support and Controller CenturyLink 100 CenturyLink Drive Monroe, Louisiana 71203

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this  $\frac{1}{1}$  day of  $\frac{1}{2}$  day of  $\frac{1}{2}$  2014

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## AFFIDAVIT CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH 47 C.F.R §54.313(a)(10)

#### Section (1000) - Voice Services Rate Comparability

For the CenturyLink ETCs as listed in Appendix A, I, David D. Cole, being of lawful age and duly sworn, on my oath and under penalty of perjury, state that I am the Senior Vice President for Operations Support and Controller of CenturyLink, Inc. ("Company") and that I am authorized to execute this affidavit on behalf of the Company.

The Company hereby certifies pursuant to the requirements under 47 C.F.R. §54.313(a)(10) that:

- 1) The pricing of CenturyLink's voice services is no more than two standard deviations above the national average urban rate for voice service; and
- 2) To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information reported on this form including attachments is accurate.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT. C David D. Cole

DATED this 17 day of April 2014

David D. Cole SVP – Operations Support and Controller CenturyLink 100 CenturyLink Drive Monroe, Louisiana 71203

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this CT day of April 2014 **Notary Public:** 49986 NBta UI Wigh 128-2 My Commission Expires:

# Appendix A

# Listing of CenturyLink Eligible Telecommunications Carriers

		Study	State(s)
		Area	of
COMPANY NAME	DBA NAME	Code	Operation
CenturyTel of Alabama, LLC (Northern)	CenturyLink	259789	AL
CenturyTel of Alabama, LLC (Southern)	CenturyLink	259788	AL
Gulf Telephone Company, LLC	CenturyLink	250298	AL
CenturyTel of Arkansas, Inc.	CenturyLink	401705	AR
CenturyTel of Central Arkansas, LLC	CenturyLink	401144	AR
CenturyTel of Mountain Home, Inc.	CenturyLink	401711	AR
CenturyTel of Redfield, Inc.	CenturyLink	401720	AR
CenturyTel of South Arkansas, Inc.	CenturyLink	401727	AR, L'A
CenturyTel of Northwest Arkansas, LLC			AR, MO,
(Russellville)	CenturyLink	401142	ОК
CenturyTel of Northwest Arkansas, LLC			
(Siloam Springs)	CenturyLink	401143	AR, OK
Qwest Corporation (Arizona)	CenturyLink QC	455101	AZ
CenturyTel of Colorado, Inc.	CenturyLink	462208	со
Qwest Corporation (Colorado)	CenturyLink QC	465102	со
The El Paso County Telephone Company	None	462187	со
CenturyTel of Eagle, Inc.	CenturyLink	462185	CO, UT
Embarq Florida, Inc.	CenturyLink	210341	FL
Coastal Utilities, Inc.	CenturyLink	220356	GA
Qwest Corporation (Iowa)	CenturyLink QC	355141	IA
CenturyTel of Postville, Inc.	CenturyLink	351274	IA
CenturyTel of Chester, Inc.	CenturyLink	351126	IA, MN
CenturyTel of Idaho, Inc.	CenturyLink	472225	ID
CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. (Idaho)	CenturyLink	472223	ID
Qwest Corporation (Northern Idaho)	CenturyLink QC	475162	1D
Qwest Corporation (Southern Idaho)	CenturyLink QC	475103	ID
Gallatin River Communications, LLC	CenturyLink GRC	341057	IL
CenturyTel of Central Indiana, Inc.	CenturyLink	320747	IN
CenturyTel of Odon, Inc.	CenturyLink	320801	IN
United Telephone Company of Indiana, Inc.	CenturyLink	320832	IN, OH
United Telephone Company of Eastern			
Kansas	CenturyLink	411317	KS

COMPANY NAME	DBA NAME	Study Area Code	State(s) of Operation
United Telephone Company of Kansas	None	411842	KS
United Telephone Company of Southcentral			
Kansas	CenturyLink	411317	KS
Embarq Missouri, Inc. (Kansas)	CenturyLink	411957	KS
CenturyTel of Central Louisiana, LLC	CenturyLink	270423	LA
CenturyTel of Chatham, LLC	CenturyLink	270427	LA
CenturyTel of East Louisiana, LLC	CenturyLink	270440	LA
CenturyTel of Evangeline, LLC	CenturyLink	270434	LA
CenturyTel of North Louisiana, LLC	CenturyLink	270436	LA
CenturyTel of Ringgold, LLC	CenturyLink	270439	LA
CenturyTel of Southeast Louisiana, LLC	CenturyLink	270424	LA
CenturyTel of Southwest Louisiana, LLC	CenturyLink	270442	LA
CenturyTel of Northwest Louisiana, Inc.	CenturyLink	270431	LA, AR, TX
CenturyTel Midwest - Michigan, Inc.	CenturyLink	310671	MI
CenturyTel of Michigan, Inc.	CenturyLink	310702	MI
CenturyTel of Northern Michigan, Inc.	CenturyLink	310705	MI
CenturyTel of Upper Michigan, Inc.	CenturyLink	310689	MI
CenturyTel of Minnesota, Inc.	CenturyLink	361445	MN
Embarg Minnesota, Inc.	CenturyLink	361456	MN
Qwest Corporation (Minnesota)	CenturyLink QC	365142	MN
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Belle-Herman)	CenturyLink	429785	MO
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Central)	CenturyLink	429784	мо
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Southern)	CenturyLink	429786	МО
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Southwest)	CenturyLink	429787	MO
Spectra Communications Group, LLC	CenturyLink	421151	MO
Embarq Missouri, Inc.	CenturyLink	421957	MO, IA
CenturyTel of North Mississippi, Inc.	None	280458	MS
CenturyTel of Montana, Inc.	CenturyLink	482249	MT
Qwest Corporation (Montana)	CenturyLink QC	485104	MT
Central Telephone Company (North Carolina)	CenturyLink	230471	NC
Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company			
LLC	CenturyLink	230470	NC
Mebtel, Inc.	CenturyLink	230485	NC
Qwest Corporation (North Dakota)	CenturyLink QC	385144	ND
Qwest Corporation (Nebraska)	CenturyLink QC	375143	NE
United Telephone Company of the West (Nebraska)	CenturyLink	371595	NE

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COMPANY NAME	DBA NAME	Code	Operation
United Telephone Company of New Jersey,			
Inc.	CenturyLink	160138	NJ
CenturyTel of the Southwest, Inc.	CenturyLink	492274	NM
Qwest Corporation (New Mexico)	CenturyLink QC	495105	NM
Central Telephone Company (Nevada)	CenturyLink	552348	NV
CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. (Nevada)	CenturyLink	552223	NV
CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc.	CenturyLink	300630	ОН
United Telephone Company of Ohio	CenturyLink	300661	OH
CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc.	CenturyLink	532361	OR
Qwest Corporation (Oregon)	CenturyLink QC	535163	OR
United Telephone Company of the Northwest			
(Oregon)	CenturyLink	532400	OR
CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon, Inc.	CenturyLink	532361	OR, CA
United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania			
LLC, The	CenturyLink	170209	PA
United Telephone Company of the Carolinas			
LLC	CenturyLink of the Carolinas	240506	SC
Qwest Corporation (South Dakota)	CenturyLink QC	395145	SD
CenturyTel of Claiborne, Inc.	CenturyLink Claiborne	290557	TN
	CenturyLink Ooltewah-		
CenturyTel of Ooltewah-Collegedale, Inc.	Collegedale	290574	TN
United Telephone Southeast, LLC (Tennessee)	CenturyLink	290567	TN
CenturyTel of Adamsville, Inc.	CenturyLink Adamsville	290552	TN, MS
Central Telephone Company of Texas, Inc.	CenturyLink	442114	ТΧ
CenturyTel of Lake Dallas, Inc.	CenturyLink	442101	ТХ
CenturyTel of Port Aransas, Inc.	CenturyLink	442117	TX
CenturyTel of San Marcos, Inc.	CenturyLink	442140	ТХ
United Telephone Company of Texas, Inc	CenturyLink	442084	ТХ
Qwest Corporation (Utah)	CenturyLink QC	505107	UT
United Telephone Southeast, LLC (Virginia)	CenturyLink	190567	VA
Central Telephone Company of Virginia	CenturyLink	190254	VA, NC
CenturyTel of Inter-Island, Inc.	CenturyLink	522408	WA
CenturyTel of Washington, Inc.	CenturyLink	522408	WA
Qwest Corporation (Washington)	CenturyLink QC	525161	WA
United Telephone Company of the Northwest			
(Washington)	CenturyLink	522400	WA
CenturyTel of Cowiche, Inc.	CenturyLink	522410	WA
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CenturyTel of Fairwater-Brandon-Alto, LLC	CenturyLink	330877	WI
CenturyTel of Forestville, LLC	CenturyLink	330884	WI
CenturyTel of Larsen-Readfield, LLC	CenturyLink	330898	WI
CenturyTel of Monroe County, LLC	CenturyLink	330913	WI
CenturyTel of Northern Wisconsin, LLC	CenturyLink	330956	WI
CenturyTel of Southern Wisconsin, LLC	CenturyLink	330931	WI
CenturyTel of the Midwest-Kendall, LLC	CenturyLink	330924	WI
CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC			
(Casco)	CenturyLink	330857	WI
CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC			
(Cencom)	CenturyLink	330841	WI
CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC			
(Northwest)	CenturyLink	330922	WI
CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC			
(Platteville)	CenturyLink	330934	<u></u>
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(Thorp)	CenturyLink	330959	WI
CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC	Contracting	220070	
(Wayside)	CenturyLink	330970	
CenturyTel of Wisconsin, LLC	CenturyLink	330895	WI
Telephone USA of Wisconsin, LLC	CenturyLink	331155	WI
CenturyTel of Northwest Wisconsin, LLC	CenturyLink	330950	WI, MN
CenturyTel of Wyoming, Inc.	CenturyLink	512299	WY
Qwest Corporation (Wyoming)	CenturyLink QC	515108	WY
United Telephone Company of the West			1
(Wyoming)	CenturyLink of the West	511595	WY

## **Tribal Outreach Documentation-2013**

## Form 481 – Line <910>

Embarq Minnesota, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink

## Study Area - 361456

Tribal Entities	
Prairie Island Indian Community	
(Also served in part by Qwest Corporation (Minnesota) – 365042)	
Upper Sioux Community	

#### Tribal Outreach Documentation-2013

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**Study Area - 361456** 

#### Targeted Engagement Efforts

As part of its efforts to strengthen positive relationships with the Tribal Nations within its serving territory while fulfilling new obligations set forth in Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-161, Embarq Minnesota, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink ("CenturyLink") extended an invitation to the tribal entities to meet and address issues of importance related to the provisioning of services on tribal lands. The purpose of these meetings was to discuss planning and potential deployment of service as well as other areas of interest specific to conducting business on tribal lands (as set forth in 47 C.F.R. §54.313(a)(9)) which at a minimum, would include:

- (i) A needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on tribal community anchor institutions;
- (ii) Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- (iii) Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- (iv) Rights of way processes, land use permitting, facilities siting, environmental and cultural preservation review processes; and
- (v) Compliance with tribal business and licensing requirements. Tribal business and licensing requirements include business practice licenses that tribal and non-tribal business entities, whether located on or off tribal lands, must obtain upon application to the relevant tribal government office or division to conduct any business or trade, or deliver any goods or services to the Tribes, tribal members, or tribal lands. These include certificates of public convenience and necessity, Tribal business licenses, master licenses, and other related forms of Tribal government licensure.

#### Correspondence Resulting from Targeted Engagement Efforts

No response was received as a result of the December 6, 2013 letter to the tribal entities.

## **EXHIBITS – Letters Extending Invitation to Meet**

- 1. Exhibit MN EQ-1 Initial Letter to the Prairie Island Indian Community
- 2. Exhibit MN EQ-2 Initial Letter to the Upper Sioux Community

Exhibit MN EQ-1



JoAnn Hanson Vice President Regulatory Affairs (612) 663-5989

December 6, 2013

Victoria Winfrey, President Prairie Island Indian Community 5636 Sturgeon Lake Rd Welch, MN 55089-9635

Dear President Winfrey:

CenturyLink values its relationship with the Prairie Island Indian Community and the opportunity to provide services that meet the needs of CenturyLink's customers located on Tribal lands. CenturyLink is striving to maintain a positive relationship with members of the Prairie Island Indian Community through ongoing communications and, as appropriate, periodic meetings.

In late 2011, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") initiated steps to reform and modernize the federal universal service support system to ensure that robust, affordable voice and broadband service are available to Americans throughout the nation including those residing on Tribal lands.<sup>1</sup> In accord with the FCC's actions, late last year CenturyLink requested a meeting with representatives of your Tribal Government/Council to discuss the planning and potential deployment of services on Tribal lands. The FCC has advised that the following topics may be discussed: (1) deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions; (2) feasibility and sustainability planning; (3) marketing services on Tribal lands; (4) rights-of-way processes, land use permitting, facilities siting, environmental and cultural preservation review process; and (5) Tribal business and licensing requirements.

<sup>1</sup> In the Matter of Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support; Developing an Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link-Up; Universal Service Reform - Mobility Fund, WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45, GN Docket No. 09-51, WT Docket No. 10-208, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-161, 26 FCC Rcd 17663 (rel. Nov. 18, 2011) (USF/ICC Transformation Order). The USF/ICC Transformation Order can be accessed on the FCC's website via the following weblink: http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\_public/attachmatch/FCC-11-161A1\_Rcd.pdf.

> 200 South 5th Street, Room 2200 Minneapolis, MN 55402 www.centurvlink.com

Victoria Winfrey, President Page 2 December 6, 2013

In furthering our goal of strong cooperative relationships with our Tribal customers, and the FCC's goal of comprehensive engagement with Tribal authorities regarding telecommunications services, CenturyLink would like to once again extend an opportunity to meet with the Prairie Island Indian Community at your convenience.

For your convenience, I am attaching a reply form and envelope to facilitate the return of your response. The reply provides the opportunity for you to identify the Tribal representatives that would attend the meeting as well as identify issues of interest to you regarding CenturyLink and the services we provide. Please respond at your earliest convenience so that we can get a meeting date scheduled. My office will coordinate the scheduling of our face-to-face meeting and work to identify additional CenturyLink personnel as needed to address your specific issues.

Please contact me at 612.663.5989 or joann.hanson@centurylink.com with any questions you may have regarding this letter. We at CenturyLink look forward to meeting with Prairie Island Indian Community and to continuing a strong relationship that is beneficial to all involved.

Thank you for your attention.

Very truly yours.

KAnn Hanson

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Enclosure



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December 6, 2013

Kevin Jensvold, Chairman Upper Sioux Community P.O. Box 147 Granite Falls, MN 56241-0147

Dear Chairman Jensvold:

CenturyLink values its relationship with the Upper Sioux Community and the opportunity to provide services that meet the needs of CenturyLink's customers located on Tribal lands. CenturyLink is striving to maintain a positive relationship with members of the Upper Sioux Community through ongoing communications and, as appropriate, periodic meetings.

In late 2011, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") initiated steps to reform and modernize the federal universal service support system to ensure that robust, affordable voice and broadband service are available to Americans throughout the nation including those residing on Tribal lands.<sup>1</sup> In accord with the FCC's actions, late last year CenturyLink requested a meeting with representatives of your Tribal Government/Council to discuss the planning and potential deployment of services on Tribal lands. The FCC has advised that the following topics may be discussed: (1) deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions; (2) feasibility and sustainability planning; (3) marketing services on Tribal lands; (4) rights-of-way processes, land use permitting, facilities siting, environmental and cultural preservation review process; and (5) Tribal business and licensing requirements.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the Matter of Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support; Developing an Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link-Up; Universal Service Reform - Mobility Fund, WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45, GN Docket No. 09-51, WT Docket No. 10-208, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-161, 26 FCC Rod 17663 (rel. Nov. 18, 2011) (USF/ICC Transformation Order). The USF/ICC Transformation Order can be accessed on the FCC's website via the following weblink: http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\_public/attachmatch/FCC-11-161A1\_Rcd.pdf. 200 South 5th Street, Room 2200

Kevin Jensvold, Chairman Page 2 December 6, 2013

In furthering our goal of strong cooperative relationships with our Tribal customers, and the FCC's goal of comprehensive engagement with Tribal authorities regarding telecommunications services, CenturyLink would like to once again extend an opportunity to meet with the Upper Sioux Community at your convenience.

For your convenience, I am attaching a reply form and envelope to facilitate the return of your response. The reply provides the opportunity for you to identify the Tribal representatives that would attend the meeting as well as identify issues of interest to you regarding CenturyLink and the services we provide. Please respond at your earliest convenience so that we can get a meeting date scheduled. My office will coordinate the scheduling of our face-to-face meeting and work to identify additional CenturyLink personnel as needed to address your specific issues.

Please contact me at 612.663.5989 or joann.hanson@centurylink.com with any questions you may have regarding this letter. We at CenturyLink look forward to meeting with Upper Sioux Community and to continuing a strong relationship that is beneficial to all involved.

Thank you for your attention.

Very traly yours oAnn Hanson

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#### <1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

CenturyLink has over 100 local exchange carriers (LECs) that serve as eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) providing Lifeline discounts on local telephone service for qualifying low-income customers in thirty-seven states. Each LEC's local tariff contains the terms and conditions of voice telephony service plans generally available to CenturyLink residential customers. Lifeline provides discounts on CenturyLink residential service plans that include voice telephony service. Lifeline discounts provided to qualified recipients include the \$9.25 per month federal discount plus state discounts, if available. Tribal Lifeline recipients receive an additional federal Lifeline discount of up to \$25 per month. Eligible residents residing on Tribal lands in areas where CenturyLink receives universal service high-cost support can also receive a Tribal Link Up credit of not more than \$100 against one customary service initiation fee at a primary residence.

CenturyLink's flat-rated residential service plans provide unlimited local calling. Lifeline discounts also may be applied to local residential service plans that include a certain amount of local minutes or calls at a flat-rate and then have additional charges for minutes or calls beyond those included in the plan. Lifeline discounts may be applied to bundled service packages that include voice telephony services, such as bundles with internet service and/or video service. Lifeline discounts may also apply to voice service plans that include optional calling features such as caller ID, call waiting, and voicemail.

Toll service is available to customers receiving Lifeline discounts in the same manner that it is available to non-Lifeline customers. Toll limitation service is available to Lifeline customers at no charge.

Information concerning CenturyLink's Lifeline program can be found on our Lifeline web page at <a href="http://www.centurylink.com/Pages/Support/LifeLine/">http://www.centurylink.com/Pages/Support/LifeLine/</a>

A link to the CenturyLink tariff that includes the terms and conditions of this ETC's Lifeline offering is included in response to line 1220.

NOTES:

1. (112) - (118) The Federal Communications Commission in FCC DA 14-591 adopted May 1, 2014 waived the requirement that price cap recipients of frozen support or incremental support file five-year plans by July 1, 2014.

2. (220) Outages are reported using the criteria provided in 47 C.F.R. §54.313, which differs from the criteria in 47 C.F.R. §4.5 which is the basis for reporting outages to the Federal Communications Commission. Therefore, some outages may not have NORS numbers.

3. (300) - (310) CenturyLink is reporting any outstanding requests for voice service from 2013 that are unfulfilled at the time of this filing.

4. (320) - (330) CenturyLink is reporting any outstanding requests for broadband service from 2013 that are unfulfilled at the time of this filing.

5. (410 - 420) Complaints per 1,000 voice access lines are reported as complaints to any federal and/or state agencies.

6. (440 - 450) Complaints per 1,000 broadband customers are reported as complaints to any federal and/or state agencies.

7. (711) CenturyLink is reporting a-la-cart and data only broadband rates that meet or exceed both the required download speeds of four mega bits per second and upload speeds of one mega bit per second. Widely used upload speeds of 768K or below are not included in this report.

8. (811) – (813) Per FCC DA 13-1707 released August 6, 2013, CenturyLink is reporting holding company, operating companies, affiliates (as defined under section 3 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 153(2)) that are designated as eligible telecommunications carriers and/or that provide retail broadband internet access to end-user customers.

9. (921) – (929) To the extent the carrier serves federally recognized tribal lands, the attached narrative, in response to line 920, should be relied on to describe tribal outreach and interaction. If the carrier offered to discuss the points listed in 47 C.F.R. §54.313(a)(9) to at least a majority of federally recognized tribes served in a study area, lines 921-929 were marked with a "yes" response.

10. (1000) – (1010) Carriers must certify that their local rates are at or below two standard deviations of the applicable national average urban rate for voice service, as specified in the most recent public notice issued by the Wireline Competition Bureau and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink (Wyoming) and United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink (Wyoming) have certain exchanges with explicit cost based local rates above this standard. Customers in such exchanges receive a Federal Universal Service credit and/or a State Universal Service credit explicitly on their bill. This results in a net charge that is lower than two standard deviations of the applicable national average urban rate for voice service.

11. (2000), (2005), (2013), and (2016) Per FCC DA 13-2101 released October 30, 2013, CenturyLink is certifying at a holding company level.

12. (3000-3026) This is not applicable to this company as it is considered to be a Federal Price Cap Carrier or an affiliate associated with a Federal Price Cap Carrier for the purposes of this filing.