STATE OF MINNESOTA BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of Possible Amendments to Rules Concerning White Pages Directory Publication and Distribution MPUC Docket No. P-999/R-13-459

OAH Docket No. 11-2500-32109

HEARING NOT REQUESTED

COMMENTS OF CENTURYLINK IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RULES CONCERNING WHITE PAGES DIRECTORY PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION

CenturyLink, Inc., on behalf of its affiliates (hereinafter "CenturyLink"), submits these comments in response to the Commission's Dual Notice¹ issued in this docket on January 8, 2015 ("Notice").

CenturyLink supports the proposed rules as written. As it has discussed in past portions of these proceedings, CenturyLink has a contract with Dex Media East, Inc. that requires Dex to fulfill most of CenturyLink's directory publishing obligations. Despite this relationship, CenturyLink believes that the Rules appropriately impose directory publishing obligations on the local service provider which can then fulfill those obligations via contract.

¹ "DUAL NOTICE: Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing Unless 25 or More Persons Request a Hearing, and Notice of Hearing if 25 or More Requests for Hearing Are Received; Revisor's ID Number RD4218."

CenturyLink appreciates the work all stakeholders have placed into this effort and looks forward to Commission adoption of these proposed rules.

Dated this 19th day of February, 2015.

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