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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING ONLY

Ms. Ann Cole, Commission Clerk Division of Communications Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: CenturyLink ETC Filing Undocketed Matter

Dear Ms. Cole:

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, and subsequent clarification orders, the FCC began a transition to a national framework for certification of Eligible Telecommunications Carriers ("ETCs") required for the ETCs' continued receipt of federal high cost support.

Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink ("CenturyLink") has received federal support only from the Interstate Access Support ("IAS") portion of the federal high cost program. As part of the USF/ICC Transformation Order, the FCC froze all federal high cost support mechanisms at 2011 levels and combined them into a single fund. Previously, CenturyLink certified its use of IAS directly to the FCC and the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC"). However, beginning in 2012, all state-designated ETCs who receive federal high cost support must obtain that certification from state commissions. For 2013 funding the state must provide this certification to the FCC and USAC by October 1, 2012.

CenturyLink is requesting that the Commission certify by October 1, 2012 that CenturyLink's IAS was used in the previous year and will be used in the coming year for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended, in accordance with 47 C.F.R §54.314. In support of this certification, CenturyLink is providing the attached Affidavit, which is consistent with the certification previously filed directly with the FCC and USAC. In addition, for your information, attached is a copy of the certification filed with the FCC on July 2, 2012 as part of CenturyLink's federal ETC filing.

> Susan S. Masterton Senior Corporate Counsel 315 S. Calhoun Street, Suite 500 Tallahassee, FL 32301 DOCUMENT NUMPER - DA1850-599-1560 (voice) 850-224-0794 (fax) 0 6 1 6 5 SEP 13 ∾ Susan masterton@centurylink.com

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Under the USF/ICC Transformation Order, and subsequent clarification orders, ETCs receiving only IAS funds do not have any additional reporting requirements for 2012. However, beginning in 2013, all ETCs who receive federal high cost support will be required to comply with the reporting requirements in 47 C.F. R. §54.313 for their state ETC certification filings.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me.

Sincerely,

s/Susan S. Masterton Susan S. Masterton

cc: Braulio Baez, Executive Director, FPSC Adam Teitzman, Attorney Supervisor, FPSC Beth Salak, Director of Telecommunications, FPSC Sandy Khazraee, Director of Regulatory, CenturyLink

| State of Louisiana | )    | Florida Public Service Commission 2012 ETC          |
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|                    | ) ss | Certification to the FCC for 2013 Federal Universal |
| Parish of Ouachita | )    | Service Support                                     |

#### Affidavit of Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink

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. and that I am authorized to execute this affidavit on behalf of Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink ("Company"), study area code 210341, and the facts set forth in this affidavit are accurate to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

The Company hereby certifies that:

1) All federal universal service support, including Interstate Access Support, 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.

#### FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

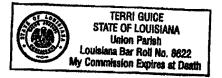
DATED this 6 day of September, 2012

David D. Cole Senior Vice President and Controller CenturyLink 100 CenturyLink Drive Monroe, Louisiana 71203-2041

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this  $\cancel{b}$  day of September, 2012

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### AFFIDAVIT CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH §54.313(a)(5) AND §54.313(a)(6)

For the CenturyLink ETCs operating in the states 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, and the facts set forth in this Affidavit are accurate to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

The Company hereby certifies to the respective State Regulatory Commission, pursuant to the requirements under 47 C.F.R. §54,313(a)(5) and §54.313(a)(6) that;

- 1) CenturyLink has established operating procedures designed to facilitate compliance with applicable consumer protection rules.
- CenturyLink has established operating 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), and
- 4) all federal universal service support provided to CenturyLink ETCs in their respective states 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.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

DATED this 21st day of NNP, 2012

David D. Cole SVP – Operations Support and Controller CenturyLink 100 CenturyLink Drive Monroe, Louisiana 71203-2041

| SUBSCRIBED AND SWOR | N to before me this | ZISt day of June | , 2012 |
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# 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                    | 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, LA    |
| 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 | ID        |
| Qwest Corporation (Southern Idaho)        | CenturyLink QC | 475103 | ID        |
| Gallatin River Communications, LLC        | CenturyLink    | 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        |

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| United Telephone Company of Kansas         | None                                                                | 411842 | кs         |
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|                                            |                                                                     | Study  | State(s)   |
|                                            |                                                                     | Area   | of         |
| COMPANY NAME                               | DBA NAME                                                            | Code   | Operation  |
| 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         |
| Embarq Minnesota, Inc.                     | CenturyLink                                                         | 361456 | MN         |
| Qwest Corporation (Minnesota)              | CenturyLink QC                                                      | 365142 | MN         |
| CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Belle-Herman) | CenturyLink                                                         | 429785 | мо         |
| CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Central)      | CenturyLink                                                         | 429784 | MO         |
| CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Southern)     | CenturyLink                                                         | 429786 | MO         |
| CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (Southwest)    | CenturyLink                                                         | 429787 | MO         |
| Spectra Communications Group, LLC          | CenturyLink                                                         | 421151 | МО         |
| 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   | 27 Martine 2011 Martine 2012 Martine 2011 Martine 2011 Martine 2011 |        |            |
| ЩС                                         | CenturyLink Carolina                                                | 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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|                                             |                              | Study    | State(s)  |
|                                             |                              | Area     | of        |
| COMPANY NAME                                | DBA NAME                     | Code     | Operation |
| United Telephone Company of New Jersey,     |                              |          |           |
| Inc.                                        | CenturyLink                  | 160138   | IJ        |
| 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   | ОН        |
| 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   | TX        |
| CenturyTel of Lake Dallas, Inc.             | CenturyLink                  | 442101   | ТХ        |
| CenturyTel of Port Aransas, Inc.            | CenturyLink                  | 442117   | ТХ        |
| 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 Central Wisconsin, LLC                      | CenturyLink             | 331159 | wi        |
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|                                                           |                         | Study  | State(s)  |
|                                                           |                         | Area   | of        |
| COMPANY NAME                                              | DBA NAME                | Code   | Operation |
| 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<br>(Cencom)      | CenturyLink             | 330841 | wi        |
| CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC<br>(Northwest)   | CenturyLink             | 330922 | wi        |
| CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC<br>(Platteville) | CenturyLink             | 330934 | WI        |
| CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC<br>(Thorp)       | CenturyLink             | 330959 | wi        |
| CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC<br>(Wayside)     | CenturyLink             | 330970 | WI        |
| 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<br>(Wyoming)         | CenturyLink of the West | 511595 | WY        |

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