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Ms. Carlotta Stauffer, Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

### Re: Notice of Internal Corporate Restructure of CenturyLink IXCs and CLECs

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

In accordance with section 364.33, Florida Statutes, CenturyLink, Inc. provides this posttransaction notice to the Commission of an internal corporate reorganization of CenturyLink's CLEC and IXC subsidiaries and affiliates effective April 1, 2014.<sup>1</sup> The reorganization reduces the number of internal corporate IXC and CLEC entities and simplifies operations.<sup>2</sup> The reorganization allows CenturyLink to increase efficiencies, reduce administrative burdens associated with the current structure and operations, and compete more effectively.

Specifically, through a series of internal corporate transactions, Qwest Communications Company, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink QCC (QCC), previously an indirect subsidiary of CenturyLink, Inc. has become a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of CenturyLink, Inc. Subsequently, the IXC and CLEC affiliates of CenturyLink, Inc. have merged into QCC, liquidating and distributing assets and liabilities to QCC.<sup>3</sup> Because these affiliates are all directly or indirectly wholly owned by CenturyLink, Inc. there is no change of ownership or control.

QCC is currently certificated as a CLEC in Florida (Company Code TX273, Certificate No. 5801). The following CenturyLink entities certificated as CLECs in Florida have merged into QCC:

CenturyTel Fiber Company II, LLC	Company Code TX986, Cert. No. 8749
Embarq Communications, Inc.	Company Code TX866, Cert. No. 8609

As a result of this internal corporate restructuring, the customers of these entities are now

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The reorganization will consolidate only affiliated IXC/CLEC entities and does not include any of the CenturyLink ILECs. Because IXCs are no longer regulated in Florida, this notice only addresses the certificated CLECs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Organization charts depicting both the existing and proposed corporate structures as it relates to Florida are attached.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Subsequent to the reorganization, QCC will be the only CenturyLink, Inc. affiliate operating as a CLEC and an IXC in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. The certificates for the entities that have been merged into QCC are being cancelled in a separate filing on this same day.

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customers of QCC. Because all of the companies involved in the transaction are CenturyLink subsidiaries and do business under the CenturyLink brand, the reorganization is transparent to the customers involved. Further, in conjunction with the transaction, QCC has revised its published schedules to include the rates, terms and conditions for each of the merged entities, so that there has been no change in the rates and other terms and conditions for these customers' services as a result of restructuring.<sup>4</sup> Nevertheless, customers have received a courtesy notice of the restructure starting in the late January 2014 bill cycles.

In conjunction with the consolidation, QCC also has changed its corporate name to CenturyLink Communications, LLC. A name change request is being filed separately on this same day.

If you have any questions, please let me know. We will be happy to provide additional information at your request to assist in understanding this internal reorganization of these CenturyLink entities.

Sincerely,

/s/ Susan S. Masterton Susan S. Masterton

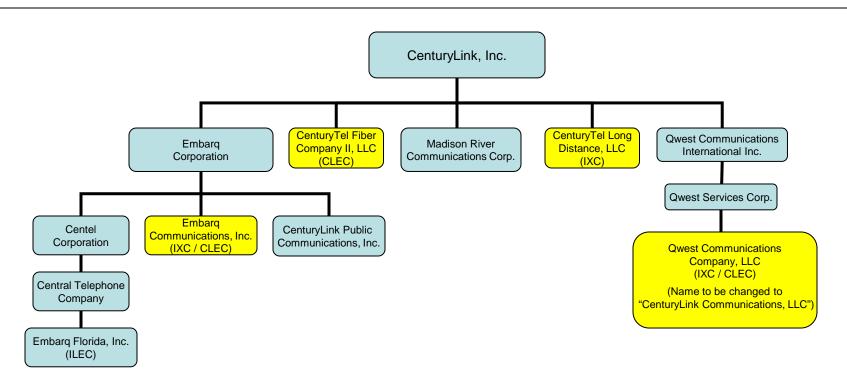
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> For these reasons, it is CenturyLink's understanding that anti-slamming and/or customer notification or consent requirements should not apply.

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Organizational Structure Diagrams

# Entities Prior to Corporate IXC / CLEC Restructuring



Highlighted entities subject to the proposed corporate restructuring.

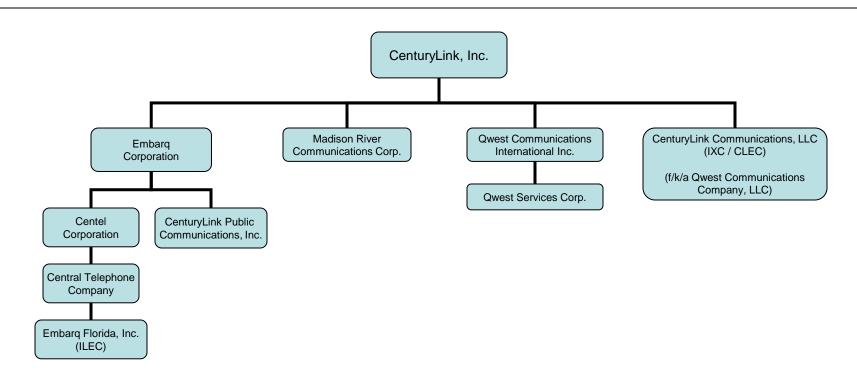
The ILEC subsidiaries of CenturyLink, Inc. are not impacted by this proposed transaction. The ILECs are merely identified on the organizational diagram for illustrative purposes only.

Other CenturyLink, Inc. subsidiaries operating outside this state, which are impacted by the proposed transaction, are not reflected on this organizational diagram.

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Organizational Structure Diagrams

## **Entities After Corporate IXC / CLEC Restructuring**



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