

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
)
Section 63.71 Application of)
CenturyLink)
For Authority to Discontinue)
Hosted VoIP Service)

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SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act and Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules,¹ CenturyLink applies for authority to discontinue its regional Hosted VoIP service to any new customer after August 30, 2014. Regional Hosted VoIP is offered by CenturyLink's competitive local exchange company (CLEC), CenturyLink Communications, LLC.

CenturyLink submits the following information in support of its application:

1. Name and address of carrier

CenturyLink
100 CenturyLink Drive
Monroe, LA 71203

2. Date of planned service discontinuance

The anticipated date for discontinuing CenturyLink's regional Hosted VoIP is August 30, 2014, or as soon thereafter as the necessary regulatory approvals can be obtained.

After this date, CenturyLink will discontinue offering regional Hosted VoIP service to any new customers. There will be no impact to existing regional Hosted VoIP customers.

¹ 47 U.S.C. § 214; 47 C.F.R. § 63.71.

Existing customers will be able to continue with their current service with no changes. They will have the ability to add additional features and functionality if they desire. If the existing customer decides to move to the new platform, they will sign a new contract and CenturyLink will waive any early termination penalties on their old contract.

3. Points of geographic areas of service affected

CenturyLink seeks authority to discontinue the provision of regional Hosted VoIP to any new customers in the states of Missouri, Texas, Florida, Tennessee, North Carolina, Nevada and Ohio.

4. Brief description of the type of services affected

CenturyLink is seeking authority to discontinue its regional Hosted VoIP service to new customers. Regional Hosted VoIP is an unregulated service that is the Internet Protocol (IP) equivalent of Time Division Multiplexing (TDM) Centrex service. With regional Hosted VoIP, the customer does not have to have a phone system on their premise. The service is provided off a Broadsoft VoIP switch.

CenturyLink currently has 40 regional Hosted VoIP customers and there will be no impact on their existing service. CenturyLink has recently released a national Hosted VoIP offering and desires to rationalize its product offerings as a natural evolution to a single Hosted VoIP offering.

The new service, also named CenturyLink Hosted VoIP, uses the Broadsoft platform, but is national in scope rather than regional. The new national Hosted VoIP service has all the current features of the old service plus the added feature functionality that the market desires. Existing customers can migrate to the new national Hosted VoIP service if they desire without early termination fees.

5. **Brief description of the dates and methods of notice to all affected customers**

There is no impact to existing customers, therefore no notice is required.

6. **Dominance of carrier with respect to the service to be discontinued**

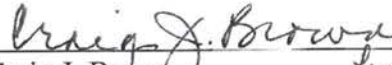

CenturyLink is a non-dominant carrier with regard to regional Hosted VoIP service.

7. **Service**

In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a), CenturyLink has mailed a copy of this application to the Governor and public utility commission of each affected state identified in Paragraph 3 above, as well as to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications under the Secretary of Defense.

Respectfully submitted,

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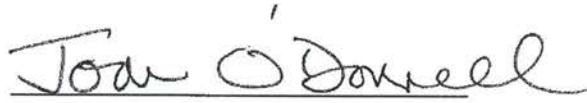
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June 24, 2014

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Joan O'Donnell, do hereby certify that I have caused the foregoing **SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION** to be 1) filed with the Secretary of the FCC via courier (original and five copies plus one for stamp and return), 2) served, via U.S. Mail on the Governors of the states listed on the attached service list, 3) served, via U.S. Mail, on the Public Utility Commissions listed on the attached service list, and 4) served via U.S. Mail on the Special Assistant for Telecommunications under the Secretary of Defense.


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