

August 2, 2018

Ms. Carlotta S. Stauffer, Clerk Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399 (800) 342-3552

Re: Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink - Universal Service Certification Docket No. 20180122-TP-2019 State certification §54.313 and §54.314, annual reporting requirements for high-cost recipients, and certification of support for eligible telecommunications carriers

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

This letter is to request that the Florida Public Service Commission notify the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) that Embarg Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink ('Company') is eligible to receive federal high-cost (Connect America Fund) support in accordance with the above-referenced statute and federal rule.

Please find enclosed, an affidavit attesting that the Company only used support received in Florida during the preceding calendar year and will only use support received in Florida in the coming calendar year for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which support is intended.

The Company respectfully requests that the Commission notify the FCC and USAC prior to October 1 of this year, that Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink is eligible to receive federal high-cost support for 2019.

Sincerely,

Amy Young Senior Regulatory Analyst CenturyLink

Attachment

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## AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF LOUISIANA

## PARISH OF OUACHITA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority appeared Jerry M. Allen, who deposed and said:

My name is Jerry M. Allen. I am employed by CenturyTel Service Group, LLC, as Vice President Customer Financial Services for CenturyLink, Inc. I am an officer of Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink ("Company") and am authorized to execute this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Florida Public Service Commission's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

The Company certifies that it only used support received in Florida during the preceding calendar year and will only use support received in Florida in the coming calendar year for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which support is intended.

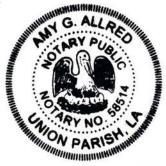
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

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Jerry M. Allen Vice President Customer Financial Services CenturyLink, Inc.

## STATE OF LOUISIANA PARISH OF OUACHITA

Acknowledged before me this  $\frac{3}{2}$  day of  $\frac{3}{2}$ , 2018, by Jerry M. Allen as Vice President Customer Financial Services for CenturyLink, Inc. who is personally known to me or produced identification and who did take an oath.



Printed Name of Notary

Personally Known Produced Identification Type of Identification Produced icense