WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SHORT TERM NETWORK CHANGE NOTIFICATION

FILED BY CENTURYLINK (QWEST)

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Re: SHORT TERM NETWORK CHANGE CERTIFICATION RECEIVED

CenturyLink (Qwest), an incumbent local exchange carrier (LEC), has filed certification that short term public notice of network change(s) has been provided through its publicly accessible Internet site, as required by section 51.329(a) of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), together with certification of service on identified interconnecting carriers, as required by section 51.333(a).[[1]](#footnote-1) Upon initial review the amended filing appears to be complete. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 51.325 through 51.335. Specific network change information can be obtained on the Internet at: **http://www.centurylink.com/wholesale/networkdisclosures.html**

The incumbent LEC's certification(s) refer(s) to the change(s) identified below:

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| **CenturyLink/Qwest Disclosure Number** | **Originally Planned Implementation Date(s)** | **Announcement Title of Proposed Network Change(s)** |
| 13-005 | November 30, 2013 through May 15, 2014; **currently planned for May 23, 2014.** | Copper Retirements in FL, NC, MO, PA, TX and WI. |

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An objection to an incumbent LEC short term notice may be filed by an information service provider or telecommunications service provider that directly interconnects with the incumbent LEC’s network. Such objections must be filed with the Commission, and served on the incumbent LEC, no later than the ninth business day following the release of this public notice. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 51.333(c). The effective implementation date of all changes is subject to the FCC’s public notice period under section 51.333(b). *See* 47 C.F.R. § 51.333(b).

Parties who choose to file must file an original and one copy of each filing. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission’s Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission. All hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission’s Secretary must be delivered to FCC Headquarters at 445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. The filing hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes and boxes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail must be addressed to 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

This proceeding is considered a “permit but disclose” proceeding for purposes of the Commission’s ex parte rules.[[2]](#footnote-2) Persons making *ex parte* presentations must file a copy of any written presentation or a memorandum summarizing any oral presentation within two business days after the presentation (unless a different deadline applicable to the Sunshine period applies). Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentation must (1) list all persons attending or otherwise participating in the meeting at which the *ex parte* presentation was made, and (2) summarize all data presented and arguments made during the presentation. If the presentation consisted in whole or in part of the presentation of data or arguments already reflected in the presenter’s written comments, memoranda or other filings in the proceeding, the presenter may provide citations to such data or arguments in his or her prior comments, memoranda, or other filings (specifying the relevant page and/or paragraph numbers where such data or arguments can be found) in lieu of summarizing them in the memorandum. Documents shown or given to Commission staff during *ex parte* meetings are deemed to be written *ex parte* presentations and must be filed consistent with rule 1.1206(b). In proceedings governed by rule 1.49(f) or for which the Commission has made available a method of electronic filing, written *ex parte* presentations and memoranda summarizing oral *ex parte* presentations, and all attachments thereto, must be filed through the electronic comment filing system available for that proceeding, and must be filed in their native format (*e.g.*, .doc, .xml, .ppt, searchable .pdf). Participants in this proceeding should familiarize themselves with the Commission’s *ex parte* rules.

The original filing is available for inspection and copying at the FCC Public Reference Room, Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Suite CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554.

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For further information, contact Carmell Weathers, (202) 418-2325 (voice), or **Carmell.Weathers@fcc.gov** (email), of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau. The tty number is (202) 418-0484.

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1. CenturyLink filed one amendment to formally update its original filing, and has since confirmed with Commission staff that the copper retirements in Disclosure Number 13-005 are not due to occur until May 23, 2014. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 *et seq*. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)