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See *MCI v. FCC*, 515 F.2d 385 (D.C. Cir. 1974).

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**CenturyLink's Petition for Forbearance from Dominant Carrier Regulation and  
the *Computer Inquiry* Tariffing Requirement with Respect  
to its Enterprise Broadband Services Is Granted by Operation of Law**

Washington, D.C. – On December 13, 2013, CenturyLink filed a petition pursuant to section 10 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (Act), requesting that the Commission forbear from “dominant carrier regulation and the Computer Inquiry tariffing requirement with respect to its packet-switched and optical transmission services (together, ‘enterprise broadband services’) that are still subject to those regulations.” On November 7, 2014, the Wireline Competition Bureau extended the forbearance deadline to March 13, 2015. Section 10(c) of the Act provides that a forbearance petition “shall be deemed granted if the Commission does not deny the petition for failure to meet the requirements for forbearance under subsection (a) within one year after the Commission receives it, unless the one year period is extended by the Commission.” This is to inform the public that, pursuant to section 10(c), the relief requested in CenturyLink’s petition was deemed granted by operation of law, effective March 13, 2015.

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