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David Danner
Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
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Re: In the Matter of the Joint Application of EMBARQ CORPORATION AND CENTURYTEL, INC., For Approval of Transfer of Control of United Telephone Company of the Northwest d/b/a Embarq and Embarq Communications, Inc. Docket No. UT-082119

Dear Mr. Danner:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 12 copies of Public Counsel's Response to IBEW's Motion to Dismiss, or in the Alternative, to Suspend the Procedural Schedule, and the Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

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