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August 24, 2012

Mr. David Danner  
Executive Director  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW  
Olympia, Washington 98504  
(360) 664-1160

Re: 2012 ETC Certification and Request for Certification  
Pursuant to WAC 480-123-060, WAC 480-123-070, WAC  
480-13-080, and 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

Dear Mr. Danner:

Pursuant to WAC 480-123-060, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC ("Company") hereby requests that the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission certify that the Company has met the requirements of 47 C.F.R. §54.314 for eligibility for continued receipt of federal high-cost funds.

Attached for filing is supplemental information to docket UT-12-1276 outlining the 2013 planned use of universal service funds and an affidavit attesting to use of universal service funds.

The Company also requests that the attachments entitled "CenturyLink 2013 Planned Investments" be treated as confidential. The schedule contains information detailing future plans of the company. Therefore, the Company claims that the information on the schedule is confidential under RCW 80.04.095 and WAC 480-07-160 in that it constitutes valuable commercial information.

Should you have any questions, please contact Mark Reynolds at (206) 345-1568 or myself at (318) 362-1246.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Young".

Amy Young  
Senior Regulatory Analyst  
CenturyLink

Enclosures





**AFFIDAVIT CONTAINING CERTIFICATIONS  
AS REQUIRED BY WAC 480-123-060 AND WAC 480-123-070**

I, David D. Cole, being of lawful age and duly sworn, on my oath state that I am Senior Vice President and Controller for CenturyLink, Inc. and an officer of Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC ("Company"), that I am authorized to execute this affidavit on behalf of the Company, and that the facts set forth in this affidavit and the accompanying reports are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. On this basis, I hereby certify to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") for use by the Commission in providing the certification to the Federal Communications Commission and Universal Service Administrative Company required by 47 C.F.R. §54.314, as follows:

(1) That any federal high-cost universal service fund support received by the Company within Washington was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended;

(2) That during the 2011 calendar year, the Company met the applicable service quality standard found in WAC 480-123-030(1)(h);

(3) That during the 2011 calendar year, the Company maintained the ability to function in emergency situations under the standard found in WAC 480-123-030(1)(g), as such standard relates to functionality of wire line carriers in emergency situations; and

(4) That during the 2011 calendar year, the Company publicized the availability of its applicable telephone assistance programs in a manner reasonably designed to reach those likely to qualify for service, including residents of any federally recognized Indian Reservations within the Company's service territory and, in a manner which, in the Company's judgment, included advertisements likely to reach those who are not current customers of the Company within the Company's designated service area.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Dated this <sup>rd</sup> 23 day of August, 2012

Company: Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC

By: [Signature]  
David D. Cole, Senior Vice President and Controller <sup>rd</sup>

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 23 day of August, 2012 in Monroe, Louisiana.

[Signature]  
Notary Public

TERRI GUICE  
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: At death

