September 10, 2015

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW

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RE: *Washington Utilities and Transp. Comm’n v. Qwest Corp. d/b/a CenturyLink QC*

 Docket UT-140597

Dear Mr. King:

This is to notify you that two of the three parties to this docket have reached a full settlement of the case. The Settlement Agreement is enclosed for official filing. In addition to other settlement terms and conditions, Commission Staff and CenturyLink have agreed that CenturyLink will pay a monetary penalty of $2.855 million to resolve this matter. Public Counsel intends to oppose this multiparty settlement agreement.

If our all-party, second requested revised procedural schedule is approved, Staff and CenturyLink will file their direct testimony in support of the Settlement Agreement on October 13, Public Counsel will file its responsive testimony in opposition to the Settlement Agreement on October 27, and Staff and CenturyLink will file rebuttal testimony on December 8. All other scheduled dates remain the same, including the hearing on January 12 and 13 (if needed), in accordance with the first revised procedural schedule.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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