# EXHIBIT F

# BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

# WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Complainant,

v.

CENTURYLINK COMMUNICATIONS, LLC,

Respondent.

**DOCKET NO. UT-181051** 

**DECLARATION OF ADAM L. SHERR** 

I, Adam L. Sherr, do depose on oath and state as follows:

- 1. I am Assistant General Counsel for CenturyLink, and represent CenturyLink Communications, LLC in this action.
- 2. I have personal knowledge of the following facts and affirm that they are all true and correct.
- 3. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct copy of emails between myself and Erica Swopes and Mike McCarthy of Transaction Network Services ("TNS") which followed a conversation between myself and another CenturyLink employee and Ms. Swopes during which I requested an interview of someone at TNS relating to the December 2018 911 outage and TNS's network design.
- 4. As of today's date, I have not received any response from Mr. McCarthy or anyone else at TNS to my latest email of June 23, 2021.

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

Executed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 2021.

Adam L. Sherr

**EXHIBIT 1** 

### Sherr, Adam

Sherr, Adam
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:54 PM
McCarthy, Mike
Hains, Thomas W; Chuck Steese; Swope, Erica
Re: CenturyLink/TNS interview

Hi Mike. Any word? Thanks.

Adam L. Sherr Assistant General Counsel 206-398-2507 (o) 206-551-7615 (c)

From: McCarthy, Mike Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 2:08:39 PM To: Sherr, Adam <Adam.Sherr@CenturyLink.com> Cc: Hains, Thomas W <tom.hains@lumen.com>; Chuck Steese <CSteese@atllp.com>; Swope, Erica Subject: RE: CenturyLink/TNS interview

Adam,

Please send me a copy of the Complaint filed last December against CenturyLink by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Docket UT-181051). I will review the Complaint and then get back with you regarding your request to interview a TNS employee with knowledge of the details regarding the network/911 outage.

Thanks.

-Mike McCarthy

From: Sherr, Adam <Adam.Sherr@lumen.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 9:48 AM
To: Swope, Erica
Cc: Hains, Thomas W <tom.hains@lumen.com>; Chuck Steese <CSteese@atllp.com>; Swope, Erica
Subject: Re: CenturyLink/TNS interview

Thanks Erica. Hi Mike. Let me know if you'd like to discuss.

Adam L. Sherr Assistant General Counsel 206-398-2507 (o) 206-551-7615 (c)

 From: Swope, Erica

 Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 6:31:22 AM

 To: Sherr, Adam <<u>Adam.Sherr@CenturyLink.com</u>>; McCarthy, Mike

 Cc: Hains, Thomas W <<u>tom.hains@lumen.com</u>>; Chuck Steese <<u>CSteese@atllp.com</u>>; Swope, Erica

 Subject: RE: CenturyLink/TNS interview

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Adam,

Good morning! It was nice speaking with you yesterday. I spoke with our General Counsel yesterday and I'm pleased to introduce Mike McCarthy, Associate General Counsel for TNS. He will be running point for this inquiry and will be able to provide you with appropriate feedback.

If there is anything either of you need from me in the meantime, please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly.

#### Thank you,

Erica Swope | Vendor Manager Transaction Network Services 10740 Parkridge Blvd | Suite 100 | Reston | VA 20191 | USA





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From: Sherr, Adam <<u>Adam.Sherr@lumen.com</u>> Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 6:59 PM To: Swope, Erica Cc: Hains, Thomas W <<u>tom.hains@lumen.com</u>>; Chuck Steese <<u>CSteese@atllp.com</u>> Subject: CenturyLink/TNS interview

Good afternoon, Erica.

Thanks for your time earlier today. As we discussed at the top of the call, please be sure to route this email to your Legal representative. I'd be happy to chat with him or her directly.

To recap, CenturyLink is asking for the opportunity to have its attorney (myself or my colleague, Chuck Steese) interview a TNS employee with knowledge about the matter described below. We are asking because we are in the process of defending against a significant formal complaint filed last December against CenturyLink by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Docket UT-181051). The complaint relates to a network/911 outage that occurred in late December 2018; the outage affected two DS-3 circuits TNS leased from CenturyLink and that TNS was using to provide SS7 functionality to Comtech.

In the interview, we will ask questions about circuits **accesses** and **accesses**, as well as how those circuits were ordered, installed and maintained by TNS. Because the circuits were (by our understanding) utilized by TNS on behalf of its customer, Comtech, we will likely ask about communications between TNS and Comtech regarding the circuits and regarding the December 2018 outage.

Please have your counsel reach out to me directly, if that's his or her preference. Or, just let me know TNS's thoughts on our request.

I appreciate your time and consideration. All the best.

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