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David Danner, Executive Director Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

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 10 copies of the Notice of Appearance on behalf of Public Counsel, and the Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

SARAH A. SHIFLEY

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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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DOCKET NO. UT-082119

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC COUNSEL

TO: DAVID DANNER, Executive Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, Washington 98504-7250; and

TO: PARTIES OF RECORD

1. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE UNDERSIGNED hereby enters their appearance as counsel for the Public Counsel Section in the above-entitled matter.

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2. Dated this 8th day of December, 2008.

ROBERT M. McKENNA

Attorney General

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Public Counsel

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Docket No. UT-082119

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the Notice of Appearance was sent to each of the parties of record shown on the attached Service List in sealed envelopes, via:

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DATED: December 8, 2008.

CAROL WILLIAMS, Legal Assistant

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