

October 27, 2017

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW  
P. O. Box 47250  
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: *In the Matter of CenturyLink's Notice of Transaction and Application for an Order Declining to Assert Jurisdiction Over, or, in the Alternative, Expedited Approval of the Indirect Transfer of Control of Level 3 Communications, LLC, Broadwing Communications, LLC, Wiltel Communications, LLC, Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc., Global Crossing Local Services, Inc., and Level 3 Telecom of Washington, LLC to CenturyLink, Inc.*  
Docket UT-170042

Dear Mr. King:

This letter is to inform the Commission that Commission Staff (Staff) and CenturyLink have agreed to a method of compliance with Commitment 5.2.1 in the settlement that the Commission adopted in its Order 03. Commitment 5.2.1 reads as follows:

CenturyLink will inform the Commission of each [major] outage by notifying a designated Commission Staff person within 30 minutes after a determination that a "major outage," as defined in WAC 480-120-021, is occurring. This obligation continues until December 31, 2020.

Staff and CenturyLink have agreed that, to comply with Commitment 5.2.1, CenturyLink will initiate an automated call to two designated staff people in the telecommunications section of Regulatory Services, Rebecca Beaton and Roger Hahn. The automated call leaves a detailed message, including the location of the outage. The automated message will leave a call back number to reach a live person during business hours and for after hours at GEMC in CenturyLink's Denver office. Staff is currently satisfied with this notification method since the automated calls have been trialed satisfactorily for several outages.

Should this compliance method need to be changed in the future, Staff will work with the company in order to inform the Commission of such a change.

Sincerely,

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