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Mr. Steven King, Executive Director and Secretary

Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission

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 **RE: Supplement to CenturyLink’s Notice of Acceptance of Connect America Fund Phase I Round 2 Incremental Support**

Dear Mr. King:

On August 20, 2013 CenturyLink notified the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission that it accepted Connect America Fund (CAF) Phase I Round 2 incremental support for 2013 that it would use to deploy broadband to certain locations in Washington. The notice included attachments containing the accepted funding amount, location information, and the required certifications.

After CenturyLink’s Notice of Acceptance, the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) conducted a challenge process allowing competitors to identify the census blocks where they claimed to provide service that meets the FCC’s requirements and that therefore should not be funded under CAF Phase I Round 2. The FCC accepted the vast majority of those challenges and released a revised list of eligible locations and funding amounts. The FCC also set the effective date of CenturyLink’s acceptance of CAF Phase I Round 2 incremental support as January 10, 2014.[[1]](#footnote-1) As required by the FCC, CenturyLink is now providing an updated list of the locations in Washington for which CenturyLink has accepted CAF Phase I Round 2 funding that reflects the removal of the locations that are no longer eligible for funding due to the challenges.

Attachment A identifies, by 2010 Census Block FIPS code, wire center CLLI code, NECA Company Code (OCN), Study Area Code, latitude and longitude, each of the locations in Washington for which CenturyLink has accepted CAF Phase I Round 2 incremental support.

CenturyLink’s final deployment plans regarding these locations remain under review pending the FCC’s final identification of locations eligible for funding under CAF II. Pursuant to the FCC’s rules, CenturyLink will notify the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission of any further changes to the locations to be deployed in Washington with CAF Phase I Round 2 incremental support.

Please contact me at (206) 345-1568 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

1. See Public Notice, Wireline Competition Bureau Announces Deadlines for Connect America Phase I Round Two, DA 14-1392, WC Docket No. 10-90 (rel. Sept. 25, 2014) (also stating that CAF Phase I Round 2 location information is due not later that February 24, 2015). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)