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December 16, 2008

Mr. Dave Danner Secretary & Executive Director Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. UT-082119

Dear Mr. Danner:

On behalf of Level 3 Communications, LLC please find enclosed an original and two copies of a Notice of Appearance, Petition to Intervene and Certificate of Service in the above-named docket.

Sincerely.

Gregory L. Rogers

Cc: Service List

Enclosures

1 **BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE** 2 UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION 3 4 5 In the Matter of the Joint Application of **DOCKET UT-082119** 6 **EMBARQ CORPORATION AND** 7 CENTURYTEL, INC 8 PETITION TO INTERVENE 9 For Approval of Transfer of Control of United Telephone Company of the 10 Northwest d/b/a Embarq and Embarq 11 Communications, Inc. 12 13 14 15 16 COMES NOW Level 3 Communications, LLC ("LLC"), by and through Gregory 17 L. Rogers, Senior Corporate Counsel, and petitions to be allowed to intervene in this 18 19 docket. 20 21 1. Name and address of the Petitioner: 22 23 Level 3 Communications, LLC 1025 Eldorado Blvd. 24 Broomfield, CO 80021 25 2. Name and address of attorney: 26 27 Gregory L. Rogers 1025 Eldorado Blvd. 28 Broomfield, CO 80021 29 30 31 PETITION TO INTERVENE - 1 32

3. Nature and extent of Petitioner's interest in the proceedings:

Petitioner is a competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC"), in the state of Washington. As a CLEC, Level 3 maintains local interconnection agreements with CenturyTel and Embarq in their capacity as incumbent local exchange carriers ("ILECs"), entered pursuant to sections 251 and 252 of the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-104, 110 Stat. 56, 47 U.S.C. Sections 151 *et seq.* (the "Act" or "1996 Act"). By virtue of its interconnection agreements, Level 3 will be directly affected by this proposed merger of ILECs in Washington.

Respectfully submitted this 16th day of December, 2008.

By:

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Level 3 Communications, LLC

PETITION TO INTERVENE - 2

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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Application of

DOCKET UT-082119

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.

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

TO: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

AND TO: Parties on Service List

COMES NOW GREGORY L. ROGERS, attorney at law, appearing for Level 3

Communications, LLC, and hereby makes and enters his appearance in the above-entitled cause, and you are notified that service of all further pleadings, notices, documents or other papers herein may be had upon Level 3 by serving the undersigned attorney at the following address:

1025 Eldorado Blvd, Broomfield, CO 80021.

Dated this 16th day of December, 2008.

By: _

Gregory L. Rogers

Senior Corporate Counsel Level 3 Communications, LLC

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1 2 3 4 5	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE UT-082119	
6 7 8 9	I certify that I have this day served the attached Notice of Appearance and Petition to Intervene upon all parties of record in this proceeding by sending a copy by electronic mail and U.S. mail, postage prepaid, unless otherwise specified, to the following parties or attorneys of parties:	
10 11 12 13 14 15	Mary Taylor CenturyTel, Inc. 219 Legion Way, Suite 203-D Olympia, WA 98501	Charles L. Best 1631 NE Broadway, Suite 538 Portland, OR 97232-1425 chuck@charleslbest.com
16 17 18 19 20 21	Barbara C. Young United Telephone Company of the Northwest d/b/a Embarq 902 Wasco Street Hood River, OR 97031	William E. Hendricks United Telephone Company of the Northwest d/b/a Embarq 902 Wasco Street Hood River, OR 97031 Tre.Hendricks@Embarq.com
22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	Sally Brown Senior Assistant Attorney General 1400 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W. P. O. Box 40128 Olympia, WA 98504-0128 sbrown@utc.wa.gov I also certify that I have this day served the	Sarah Shifley Assistant Attorney General Public Counsel Section Office of the Attorney General 800 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2000 Seattle, WA 98104-3188 sarah.shifley@atg.wa.gov Notice of Appearance and Petition to Intervene by
33	Overnight Mail and e-mail to the following:	
34 35 36 37 38 39	WUTC Records Center 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250 records@wutc.wa.gov	
40	Dated at Broomfield, CO this 16 th of December, 2008.	
41 42 43 44	By:_	Teresa Montoya