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Via Email and Overnight delivery

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

Re: Docket No. UT-130477 - Petition for AFOR

Settlement Agreement of CenturyLink and Sprint

Dear Mr. King:

Enclosed please find an original and four (4) copies of CenturyLink's Narrative in Support of Settlement Agreement with Sprint.

The electronic copy is being provided by e-mail.

Sincerely,

Zisa A. Anderl

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cc: Service List

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of

THE CENTURYLINK COMPANIES –
QWEST CORPORATION; CENTURYTEL
OF WASHINGTON; CENTURYTEL OF
INTERISLAND; CENTURYTEL OF
COWICHE; AND UNITED TELEPHONE
COMPANY OF THE NORTHWEST

To be Regulated Under an Alternative Form of Regulation Pursuant to RCW 80.36.135.

DOCKET NO. UT-130477

CENTURYLINK'S NARRATIVE IN SUPPORT OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH SPRINT

- 1 The petitioning CenturyLink companies ("CenturyLink") hereby file this Narrative in Support of Settlement Agreement pursuant to WAC 480-07-730 and 480-07-740.
 CenturyLink and Sprint previously filed their Settlement Agreement and request that it be approved and adopted by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (the "Commission") in resolution of the disputed issues between them in this docket.
- 2 Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement filed previously in this docket, CenturyLink requests that the Commission approve the Settlement, and approve the AFOR as being consistent with the public interest.
- 3 The Settlement Agreement provides that Sprint will withdraw from the proceeding, and CenturyLink will not oppose an informal Commission proceeding such as an educational

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NARRATIVE IN SUPPORT OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH SPRINT Page 1 workshop on the issue of IP-to-IP interconnection. CenturyLink reserves its rights in

terms of what its advocacy in such a proceeding might be.

CenturyLink believes that the terms of the Agreement satisfy Sprint's interests and

concerns as stated in its petition to intervene, as Sprint is now free to ask the Commission

to inquire into the issue of IP-to-IP interconnection, within the scope of the settlement

agreement.

5 CenturyLink's interests are satisfied in that the Settlement Agreement will aid in the

timely and orderly regulatory review and approval of the AFOR without delay.

Settlement with Sprint also minimizes risks and uncertainty associated with litigation in

this matter and is beneficial to all Parties for that reason as well.

6 CenturyLink offers, pursuant to WAC 480-07-740(2)(b), to present one or more

witnesses to testify in support of the Settlement Agreement and answer questions

concerning the Agreement's details. Counsel for the Parties will also make themselves

available as necessary to address any legal matters associated with the Agreement and to

respond to any questions from the bench.

Dated this 19th day of September, 2013

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Docket No. UT-130477

CenturyLink's Petition for AFOR

I certify that I caused to be served copies of the CenturyLink's Narrative in Support of Settlement Agreement with Sprint via email and UPS delivery on the following parties:

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DATED this 19th day of September 2013.

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