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

Re: UT-082119; Ratings Agency Opinions

Dear Mr. Danner,

Enclosed for filing are an original and twelve copies of the following documents:

October 27, 2008 Rating Bulletin from Standard & Poor's regarding CenturyTel, Inc.;

January 9, 2008 Market News article regarding Standard & Poor's rating of Embarq Corporation;

October 27, 2008 Rating Action from Moody's regarding Embarq Corporation;

October 28, 2008 Fitch Headline Affirming CenturyTel and Embarq's ratings;

March 6, 2009 Fitch Ratings "Corporates" review of CenturyTel, Inc.;

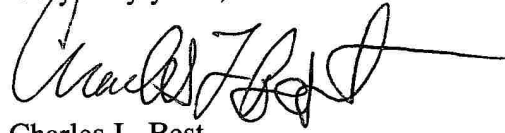
March 3, 2009 Moody's Credit Opinion regarding CenturyTel, Inc.

CenturyTel and Embarq produced these documents in discovery but they are not currently in the record. These documents are publically available and will be referenced

by one or more witnesses at the Settlement Presentation Hearing now set for May 19, 2009.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with this filing and if you have questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles L. Best", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Charles L. Best

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