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Via ECFS

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *In the Matter of Connect America Fund*; WC Docket No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch:

CenturyLink, on behalf of its incumbent local exchange carriers accepted 2013 Connect America Fund (CAF) Phase I Incremental Support (Round 2 Support) on August 20, 2013 and at that time submitted a list of census blocks to which it intended to deploy broadband service using that support.¹ That list encompassed locations in 12,893 census blocks. Subsequently, in January 2014 the FCC Wireline Bureau issued an order resolving the Round 2 challenge process which reduced the census block total for which CenturyLink received support to 10,544 census blocks.² About one year later, CenturyLink made a supplemental filing regarding its Round 2 deployment plans reflecting the specific locations to which it anticipated deploying broadband using Round 2 support.³ The supplemental filing reflected a total of 10,345 census blocks. In September 2016 CenturyLink identified an additional 9703 census blocks for its Round 2 deployment, but after challenges the additional census blocks total was reduced to 7854.⁴

¹ See CenturyLink's Notice of Acceptance of 2013 Connect America Fund Phase I Incremental Support, WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 05-337, Letter from Melissa E. Newman, CenturyLink to Marlene H. Dortch, FCC (Aug. 20, 2013).

² *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90, Order, 29 FCC Rcd 181 (Wireline Bur. Jan. 10, 2014).

³ Supplement to CenturyLink's Acceptance of Connect America Fund Phase I Round 2 Incremental Support, WC Docket No. 10-90, Letter from Jeffrey S. Lanning, CenturyLink to Marlene H. Dortch, FCC (Feb. 24, 2015).

⁴ Rule 54.312(c)(4) Notice of CenturyLink's; *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90, Letter from Jeffrey S. Lanning, CenturyLink to Marlene H. Dortch, FCC (Sep. 13, 2016); Rule 54.312(c)(4) & (5) Notice of CenturyLink's; *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90, Letter from Jeffrey S. Lanning, CenturyLink to Marlene H. Dortch, FCC (Dec. 19, 2016).

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In light of these changes to CenturyLink's initial Round 2 deployment plans and in accord with Commission rule 54.312(c)(4) CenturyLink is providing the attached list of census blocks for which we previously had identified locations to which we would deploy broadband service using Round 2 Support but for which we now know we will not be deploying broadband service using that support. The attached list only reflects the previously-identified Round 2-eligible census blocks to which CenturyLink did not deploy broadband using Round 2 support solely due to changes in CenturyLink's deployment plans. The list does not reflect census blocks that CenturyLink previously identified for Round 2 deployment but were removed from Round 2 deployment due to challenge process determinations or assertions that the census blocks were already served.

CenturyLink is also providing this information to the Universal Service Administrative Company, relevant state commissions, and affected Tribal governments, as appropriate.

Please contact me via the above contact information or Jeff Lanning in CenturyLink's Federal Regulatory Affairs office (202-429-3113) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Tiffany West Smink

Enclosure