

## STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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November 14, 2022

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE ORDER ON PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

(On or Before November 18, 2022)

RE: In the Matter of the Penalty Assessment Against Qwest Corporation; CenturyTel of Washington; CenturyTel of Inter Island; CenturyTel of Cowiche; and United Telephone Company of the Northwest, Docket UT-220397

## TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 1, 2022, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued a penalty assessment (Penalty Assessment) in Docket UT-220397 in the amount of \$226,600 against the CenturyLink Companies Qwest Corporation, CenturyTel of Washington, CenturyTel of Inter Island, CenturyTel of Cowiche, and United Telephone Company of the Northwest (the Companies) for 2,266 violations of Order 04 in Docket UT-130477.

On June 8, 2022, the Companies filed an application for mitigation, and on September 30, 2022, the Commission entered Order 01, Denying Mitigation (Order 01).

On October 10, 2022, the Companies filed a Petition for Commission Review of Delegated Decision (Petition), and on October 19 the Commission issued a Notice Extending Deadline for Commission Staff to Respond to the Petition (Notice), requiring Commission staff (Staff) to file any response by October 31, 2022. Staff filed its response on October 27, 2022.

Per RCW 34.05.470, a petition is deemed to have been denied if the Commission has not either disposed of the petition or served on the parties a written notice specifying the date by which it will issue an order. Although the Notice did not explicitly state as much, the Commission intended to extend the deadline by which the Commission must act to twenty days from the date Staff's response was due, or October 31. Therefore, the Commission hereby clarifies that the Petition has not been deemed denied, and that the Commission intends to file an Order on the Petition on or before November 18, 2022.

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THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the Commission will issue an order on the Petition on or before November 18, 2022.

AMANDA MAXWELL Executive Director and Secretary

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