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August 23, 2019

NOTICE SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

and

NOTICE REQUIRING FILING OF SETTLEMENT DOCUMENTS (By September 25, 2019)

RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC, Docket UT-190209

TO ALL PARTIES:

On April 24, 2019, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued a Complaint and Notice of Prehearing Conference (Complaint) against Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC (CenturyLink or the Company) for violations of state laws and Commission rules arising from a 911 service outage affecting Washington residents in July 2017.

On May 24, 2019, the Commission entered Order 02, Prehearing Conference Order; Notice of Hearing (Order 02), which established a procedural schedule including, among other things, an evidentiary hearing on September 24, 2019.

On August 22, 2019, Commission staff (Staff) filed a letter informing the Commission that Staff and CenturyLink (together, the Settling Parties) have reached a multiparty settlement in principle, and intend to file a settlement agreement and testimony in support on September 25, 2019. In their letter, the Settling Parties further state that on or before September 25, they will notify the Commission as to whether the remaining party, the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington State Attorney General's Office (Public Counsel), intends to join or oppose the settlement, and will propose an updated agreed procedural schedule.

The Commission finds good cause to suspend the procedural schedule and therefore grants the Settling Parties' request. The Settling Parties must file a settlement agreement and supporting documentation, as well as a proposed procedural schedule, by September 25, 2019.

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THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the procedural schedule in this matter is suspended. The Settling Parties must file a settlement agreement and supporting documentation, as well as a proposed procedural schedule no later than September 25, 2019.

/s/ Gregory J. Kopta GREGORY J. KOPTA Administrative Law Judge