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Via Web Portal

Ms. Kathy Hunter
Acting Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, Washington 98503

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**Re: Docket No.: UT-240003
2023 Lifeline re-certification results reported to the FCC and USAC**

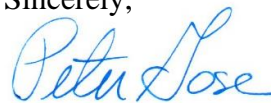
Dear Ms. Hunter:

Pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's *Report and Order*¹ requiring eligible telecommunications carriers to re-certify the eligibility of their Lifeline subscribers and to report the results to the Federal Communications Commission, Universal Service Administrative Company and to state commission and Tribal governments, United Telephone Company of the Northwest dba CenturyLink hereby submits its 2023 Lifeline re-certification results for the state of Washington.

Please note that the results are provided separately for each FCC study area. In addition, the numbers being reported this year are mostly zero as we are no longer handling the verifications and recertifications. The Lifeline National Eligibility Verifier (National Verifier) has taken over these functions for all states except the Opt-out-states of Oregon and Texas. Per USAC's instructions, we are still completing and filing the Form 555 reports; only we are filling them in with zeros where the National Verifier has taken over.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (816) 759-2895 or via email at peter.gose@lumen.com should you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,



Peter J. Gose
Regulatory Affairs Director

Attachment

¹ In the Matter of Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization, Lifeline and Link Up, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Advancing Broadband Availability Through Digital Literacy Training, Report and Order and Further Notice of Rulemaking, 27 FCC Rcd 6656, 6715-16 ¶132 (2012); 47 C.F.R. § 54.416. Also see Public Notice, 28 FCC Rcd 12947 (2013).