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#### Via Electronic Mail

September 24, 2019

Gregory Kopta, Administrative Law Judge Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: Washington Utilities and Transp. Comm'n v. Qwest Corp. d/b/a CenturyLink QC

Docket UT-190209

### Dear Judge Kopta:

I am filing this letter in response to the notice served by the Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) on August 23, 2019. In this notice, the Commission suspended the procedural schedule in this docket and required the filing of a settlement agreement, supporting documentation, and a proposed procedural schedule by September 25, 2019.

Below is a proposed procedural schedule. Commission Staff and Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC ("CenturyLink" or "Company") have been unable to agree on terms to memorialize their settlement in principle. Therefore, following consultation among Commission Staff, CenturyLink, and the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington State Attorney General's Office (Public Counsel), the parties are proposing a procedural schedule to return this matter to litigation.

### Proposed Procedural Schedule

Prefiled Staff Testimony – October 25, 2019 Prefiled Response Testimony (Company and Public Counsel) – November 25, 2019 Prefiled Rebuttal/Cross Answering Testimony – January 17, 2020 File Cross Exhibits – February 10, 2020 Hearing – February 13, 2020

### Sincerely,

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