BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF FULLY NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BY:

CENTURYTEL OF COWICHE, INC. DBA CENTURYLINK; CENTURYTEL OF INTER ISLAND, INC. DBA CENTURYLINK; CENTURYTEL OF WASHINGTON, INC. DBA CENTURYLINK

(Telecommunications Company A Name including DBA if applicable)

VERO FIBER NETWORKS, LLC

(Telecommunications Company B Name including DBA if applicable)

In accordance with WAC 480-07-640, Company A requests approval of a fully negotiated interconnection agreement including any amendment(s), as described below (the Agreement):

Interconnection Agreement between Company A and Company B to interconnect their local exchange networks for the purposes of transmission and termination of local traffic so that customers can receive calls that originate on the other party's network and place calls that terminate on the other party's network as set forth in the Agreement.

Company A represents that the Agreement does not discriminate against non-party carriers, that it is consistent with state and federal law, and that it is in the public interest. By virtue of Company B's signature on the Agreement, Company A believes that Company B agrees with these representations.

is authorized to file interconnection agreements on behalf of **CENTURYLINK** Josie Addington, Legal Assistant (Name and Title) (Name of Company) Signature of Authorized Person Josie.addington@lumen.com (206) 806-7339 (Fax Number) (E-Mail Address) (Telephone Number) 1601 7th Avenue, Room 1507 Seattle Washington 98191 (Mailing Address) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

ORDER APPROVING OF INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

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The	Com	ımission	orders:

- (1) The Agreement, as described above, is approved and effective as of the date of this Order.
- (2) In the event that the parties revise, modify, or amend the Agreement approved in this Order, the revised, modified, or amended agreement will be deemed to be a new agreement under the Telecom Act and must be submitted to the Commission for approval, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1) and relevant provisions of state law, prior to taking effect.
- (3) The laws and regulations of the State of Washington and Commission Orders govern the construction and interpretation of the Agreement. The Agreement is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

The Commissioners, having reviewed the information available in this matter and having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED and signed at Lacey, Washington, this 7th day of September 2021

(Month and Year)

MARK L. JOHNSON

Executive Director and Secretary

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