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Mary Taylor, Manager Government Relations CenturyLink, Inc 219 Legion Way SW, Suite 203-D Olympia, WA 98501

RE: UT-100224 CenturyLink Rate Center Consolidation

Dear Ms. Taylor:

The Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission (Commission) has received notice of CenturyLink's plan to consolidate three of its rate centers in the 253 area code. The Commission understands that the plan is to consolidate the rate centers Arletta, Lakebay, and Fox Island into one rate center under the name "Arletta."

The Commission has no objection to the plan to consolidate these three rate centers and commends CenturyLink for proceeding with preparations for this consolidation. In some areas, rate center consolidation already has assisted the Commission greatly in its efforts to conserve number resources. The Commission anticipates that the "Arletta" consolidation will prove no exception and will contribute in the future to number conservation.

The Commission expect CenturyLink to complete the appropriate industry notifications, including Telecordia (Local Exchange Routing Guide – LERG), and Neustar, Inc. (database notification), and that CenturyLink will file the appropriate tariff revisions and rate center map with the Commission reflecting the consolidation and new rate center name.

This letter will be filed in Docket UT-100224. If you have further questions regarding process or timelines, please contact Commission Staff, Rebecca Beaton, at (360) 664-1287 or rbeaton@utc.wa.gov.

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Sincerely,

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Executive Director and Secretary

cc: Mr. Joseph Cocke, Neustar, Inc. Mr. Adam Newman, Telecordia