[Service date September 18, 2014] BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MCIMETRO ACCESS)	DOCKET UT-971063
TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.)	
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Complainant,)	ORDER 13
V.)	
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U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.)	ORDER GRANTING
)	CENTURYLINK'S PETITION TO
Respondent)	END REPORTING REQUIREMENT
)	

BACKGROUND

- I On June 26, 1997, MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc. (MCImetro) filed a formal complaint against U S WEST Communications, n/k/a Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC (CenturyLink or Company) with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) in this matter, alleging breaches of contract and violations of law resulting from CenturyLink's failure to adequately forecast network growth and timely provision interconnection facilities.
- 2 On February 10, 1999, the Commission issued its Final Order in this docket concluding that CenturyLink breached its interconnection agreement with MCImetro and violated state law. Paragraph 279 of that Order required CenturyLink to provide the Commission with weekly reports disclosing call blocking data greater than 0.5 percent on all trunk groups interconnecting with competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs).
- On March 18, 2014, CenturyLink filed a petition with the Commission requesting the Commission find that the Company is no longer required to provide the weekly call blocking reports described in paragraph 279 of the Final Order (Petition). CenturyLink explains that since 2003, CLEC aggregate and CLEC-specific blocking monthly reports have been available to the Commission and CLECs pursuant to the Company's Performance Assurance Plan (PAP). These reports contain data for specific Performance Indicator Definitions (PIDs). The CLEC need for call blocking reports, originally identified in 1998 as the basis for the reporting requirement at issue, is now met via the Network Performance PID report, NI-1 Trunk Blocking.

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CenturyLink submits that these alternative procedures satisfy, and thus eliminate the need for, the MCImetro blocking report required by paragraph 279 of the Final Order. Neither MCImetro nor Commission Staff filed an objection to the Petition.

DECISION

⁴ We find that CenturyLink's proposed modification to the Final Order is reasonable and consistent with the Commission's objectives underlying that order. Trunk blocking data for all LECs is available to the Commission pursuant to Commission rules, and CLEC-specific PID results are available to the Commission and CLECs pursuant to CenturyLink's PAP. We agree with the Company that, given the availability of the data through other required reporting mechanisms, the reporting requirement in Paragraph 279 of the Final Order is no longer necessary.

ORDER

- 5 THE COMMISSION ORDERS that as of the effective date of this Order, CenturyLink is no longer required to provide the Commission with the weekly reports disclosing call blocking data greater than 0.5 percent on all trunk groups interconnecting with competitive local exchange carriers that were mandated in Final Order paragraph 279.
- 6 Dated at Olympia, Washington, and effective September 18, 2014.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DAVID W. DANNER, Chairman

PHILIP B. JONES, Commissioner

JEFFREY D. GOLTZ, Commissioner