August 8, 2017

Via Hand Delivery and ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Presentation, WC Docket No. 16-403

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 12, 2017, CenturyLink, Inc. (“CenturyLink”) and Level 3 Communications, Inc. (“Level 3,” and together with CenturyLink, the “Applicants”) submitted information to the Commission clarifying their initial response to RFI Number 2 of the Wireline Competition Bureau’s Information and Document Requests, which sought information and documentation pertaining to the effect of the transaction on competition in the provision of long-haul fiber.¹

Since that time, the Applicants have conducted further examination and investigation into the data sources on which the information in the July 12, 2017 filing relied and have made certain refinements to the data provided in the Highly Confidential spreadsheet [Bates Number CTLLVLT-000148] submitted to the Commission in connection with their July 12, 2017 filing. The Applicants are submitting herewith a revised version of the Highly Confidential spreadsheet [Bates Number CTLLVLT-000156] that incorporates these refinements and a Highly Confidential document [Bates Numbers CTLLVLT-000157 through CTLLVLT-000159] explaining the revisions made to that spreadsheet.

The documents submitted herewith are Highly Confidential and therefore are marked “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION — SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER IN WC DOCKET NO. 16-403 BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.”

¹ See Notice of Ex Parte Presentation, WC Docket No. 16-403 (filed July 12, 2017); see also Applications Filed for the Transfer of Control of Level 3 Communications, Inc. to CenturyLink, Inc., Letter from Madeleine V. Findley, Wireline Competition Bureau, to Thomas Jones et al., Counsel for Level 3 Communications, Inc., and Yaron Dori et al., Counsel for CenturyLink, Inc., DA 17-296, WC Docket No. 16-403 (Mar. 30, 2017).
Consistent with the instructions in the Protective Order in this docket, these Highly Confidential documents are being hand-filed, and copies are being provided to Commission staff and will be made available to third parties pursuant to the terms of the Protective Order. The Applicants’ redacted submissions are marked “REDACTED — FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION” and are being filed electronically in the Commission’s Electronic Comment Filing System.

Any questions concerning this submission should be addressed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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