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Via ECFS

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: **Rule 54.312(c)(4) Notice of CenturyLink; *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Commission Rule 54.312(c)(4),¹ CenturyLink, on behalf of its incumbent local exchange carriers receiving 2013 Connect America Fund Phase I incremental support (CAF I Round 2 support), provides this notice of its intent to use that support for broadband deployment in census blocks that it has not previously identified.

When CenturyLink initially accepted CAF I Round 2 support in August 2013 it provided a list of census blocks where it anticipated using that support to deploy broadband to unserved and underserved locations.² Since that time, CenturyLink has modified its broadband deployment under the CAF I Round 2 program and is hereby providing a list of 9703 additional census blocks in which it intends to meet its broadband deployment obligations under the program.

¹ 47 C.F.R. §54.312(c)(4). This rule may not be in effect in so far as it seems the FCC has neither sought nor obtained Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) approval for the rule or announced an effective date for the rule. *See* 79 Fed. Reg. 34639 (June 18, 2014) (announcing PRA approval and an effective date for certain information collection requirements including those contained in 47 C.F.R. §54.312(b)(3) which addresses the notice requirement for CAF I incremental support awarded in 2012 (Round 1 support), but without referencing the similar information collection requirements contained in 47 C.F.R. §54.312(c)(4) for Round 2 support). CenturyLink is providing this notice without conceding that the rule is in effect or that the notice is required.

² *See* CenturyLink's Notice of Acceptance of 2013 Connect America Fund Phase I Incremental Support, WC Docket Nos. 10-90; 05-337, Letter from Melissa E. Newman, CenturyLink to Marlene H. Dortch, FCC (August 20, 2013).

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CenturyLink is uploading this letter and the list in PDF format in WC Docket No. 10-90 via ECFS, and also providing a copy of the cover letter (PDF format) and the list (Excel format) via electronic mail to the Wireline Competition Bureau staff persons identified below.

Notice of these additional census blocks is also being sent to the Universal Service Administrative Company (in both PDF and Excel formats), relevant state commissions, and affected Tribal governments.

Please contact me with any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jeffrey S. Lanning

Enclosure

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