

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
Section 63.71 Application of)
CenturyLink Communications, LLC)
For Authority to Discontinue)
Certain Services)

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

CenturyLink Communications, LLC, applies for authority pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, and Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, to discontinue long distance service to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. CenturyLink Communications is a non-dominant carrier in regard to the provision of long distance service. CenturyLink Communications submits the following information in support of its application:

1. Name and address of carrier

CenturyLink Communications, LLC
100 CenturyLink Drive
Monroe, LA 71203

2. Date of planned service discontinuance

The anticipated date for discontinuing CenturyLink Communications’ long distance service to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation is June 1, 2015, or as soon thereafter as the necessary regulatory approvals can be obtained.

3. Points of geographic areas of service affected

CenturyLink Communications is seeking to discontinue service to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation located in the South Dakota counties of Oglala Lakota, Jackson, Bennett and in Sheridan county in Nebraska.

4. Brief description of the type of services affected

CenturyLink Communications is seeking authority to discontinue long distance service to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

5. Brief description of the dates and methods of notice to all affected customers

CenturyLink Communications has not served any customers on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation since 2012. As there are no current customers for this service, customer notice is not required.

6. Dominance of carrier with respect to the service to be discontinued

CenturyLink Communications is a non-dominant carrier of the service to be discontinued.

7. Service

In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a), CenturyLink has mailed a copy of this application to the Governor and public utility commission of each affected state identified in Paragraph 3 above.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Ross Dino, do hereby certify that I have caused the foregoing **SECTION 63.71**

APPLICATION to be:

- 1) Filed with the Secretary of the FCC via ECFS (Inbox-Section 214 Domestic Discontinuance Application);
- 2) Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Governors of the States listed on the attached service list;
- 3) Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Public Utility Commissions listed on the attached service list; and
- 4) Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Special Assistant for Telecommunications under the Secretary of Defense.



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