



*Via Electronic Mail (ConnectAmerica@fcc.gov)*

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Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: CenturyLink Acceptance and Declination of Connect America Phase II Support; Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In accord with the Wireline Competition Bureau's Public Notice announcing the offers of model-based Connect America Fund Phase II (CAF II) support,<sup>1</sup> CenturyLink, Inc., on behalf of its incumbent local exchange carrier affiliates (CenturyLink) herein accepts the CAF II offer of model-based support for all but four of its ILEC states.<sup>2</sup>

The states in which CenturyLink accepts support are the following:

Alabama	Louisiana	Ohio
Arizona	Michigan	Oregon
Arkansas	Minnesota	Pennsylvania
Colorado	Missouri	South Carolina
Florida	Montana	South Dakota
Georgia	Nebraska	Tennessee
Idaho	Nevada	Texas
Illinois	New Jersey	Utah
Indiana	New Mexico	Virginia
Iowa	North Carolina	Washington
Kansas	North Dakota	Wisconsin

CenturyLink accepts the support amounts for these states and in exchange for this support commits to satisfy the service obligations for CAF II and the specific remedies for non-performance set forth in the CAF II rules. For the states where the model-based support is

<sup>1</sup> *Wireline Competition Bureau Announces Connect America Phase II Support Amounts Offered to Price Cap Carriers to Expand Rural Broadband*, Public Notice, DA 15-509, WC Docket No. 10-90 (rel. Apr. 29, 2015).

<sup>2</sup> The four states for which CenturyLink is declining support are California, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Wyoming.



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greater than legacy Frozen Support, CenturyLink elects to receive the prior months' payment as a lump sum payment in 2015.

CenturyLink appreciates this opportunity to expand the reach of broadband service to many Americans living and working in more rural areas of the country.

Respectfully submitted,

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