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Re: MB Docket 05-255 – Annual Assessment of the Status of
Competition in the Market for the Delivery of Video Programming

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Monday, September 19, 2005, several attempts were made by this office to file the enclosed Comments of CenturyTel, Inc. in the above-captioned proceeding using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System. We received no confirmation of any of these filing attempts. In the event these good faith efforts at timely filing were not successful, please accept these late-filed comments in the docket.

Very truly yours,

Karen Brinkmann

Enclosure