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December 9, 2010

EX PARTE VIA ECFS

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

Re: *Applications Filed by Qwest Communications International Inc. and CenturyTel, Inc. d/b/a/ CenturyLink for Consent to Transfer of Control, WC Docket No. 10-110*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to inform you that on December 8, 2010, the applicants met with members of the Commission staff regarding the above-captioned proceeding. David Bartlett, John Jones (via telephone), and Jeff Glover (via telephone) participated on behalf of CenturyLink. Karen Brinkmann and Alexander Maltas of Latham & Watkins attended as counsel to CenturyLink. Melissa Newman and Mary LaFave (via telephone) participated on behalf of Qwest. Christi Shewman, Alex Johns, Bill Dever, Pam Megna, and Steve Rosenberg (via telephone) participated on behalf of the Commission.

The applicants discussed their plans for post-merger broadband deployment and expansion. They also noted that they had reached settlement agreements in several additional states in Qwest's and CenturyLink's territories that contain broadband commitments.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/

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