

February 18, 2011

Via Electronic Filing

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

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Communication; Qwest Communications International, Inc. and CenturyTel, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink, Application for Transfer of Control Under Section 214 of the Communications Act, as Amended; WC Docket No. 10-110

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 17, 2011, G. Patrick Webre, Senior Director and Senior Counsel for Charter Communications, Inc. (“Charter”), Justin Lilley of TeleMedia Policy Corp., and the undersigned met with Mr. Brad Gillen of Commissioner Baker’s office, and Ms. Margaret McCarthy of Commissioner Copps’ office.

Charter’s representatives discussed the company’s position on issues related to the pending application for approval of the merger between Qwest Communications International, Inc. and CenturyTel, Inc., in WC Docket No. 10-110. In particular, Charter urged the Commission to condition approval of the merger by permitting competitors to port interconnection agreements, and by eliminating CenturyLink’s reliance on the rural exemption and separate subsidiaries in a single state to avoid statutory obligations related to efficient network interconnection arrangements. In addition, Charter urged the Commission to adopt conditions to ensure that the post-closing OSS in the legacy Qwest territory meets the standards set forth under Section 271 of the Act.

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, one copy of this letter is being filed electronically via ECFS, and one copy will be delivered to Mr. Gillen and Ms. McCarthy. Please let me know if you have any questions about this matter.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K.C. Halm', written in a cursive style.

K.C. Halm
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cc: Mr. Brad Gillen, Office of Commissioner Baker
Ms. Margaret McCarthy, Office of Commissioner Copps
Mr. Patrick Webre, Charter
Mr. Justin Lilley, TeleMedia Policy Corp.