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NOTICE OF EX PARTE

September 11, 2014

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

Re: *In the Matter of CenturyLink's Petition for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) from Dominant Carrier and Certain Computer Inquiry Requirements on Enterprise Broadband Services*, WC Docket No. 14-9

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 10, 2014, Steve Davis and Melissa Newman of CenturyLink met with Jon Sallet, Julie Veach and Madeleine Findley of the Office of General Counsel to discuss the above-captioned proceeding.

The above-captioned petition affords the Commission the opportunity to promote competition and remedy a regulatory injustice that has harmed, and continues to harm, American consumers. CenturyLink is the only significant provider of enterprise broadband services that remains subject to tariffing and the Computer Inquiry requirements. The continued application of these dominant-carrier regulations, which do not apply to other incumbent local exchange carriers in the enterprise broadband marketplace, incumbent cable providers, large competitive fiber providers, and others, prevents CenturyLink from offering would-be customers the rates and terms they demand. We urged the FCC to rule on our Enterprise Forbearance Petition by the 12-month deadline, which is December 12, 2014.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, a copy of this notice is being filed in the appropriate docket.

Sincerely,

/s/ Melissa E. Newman

Copy via email to:
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