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#### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND FEDERAL EXPRESS

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Oregon Public Utility Commission
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Re: ARB 830 - Motion to Admit Testimony of CenturyTel of Oregon,

Inc.

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed are the Motion to Admit Testimony of CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc. and supporting Affidavits of Steven E. Watkins, Guy E. Miller, III, and Ted M. Hankins. The Certificate of Service is also enclosed.

Sincerely,

RÍCHARD A. FINNIGAN

RAF/km Enclosures

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

**ARB 830** 

In the Matter of

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.

MOTION TO ADMIT TESTIMONY OF CENTURYTEL OF OREGON, INC.

Petition For Arbitration of an Interconnection Agreement with CENTURYTEL OF OREGON, INC.

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CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc. moves that the following pre-filed testimony and exhibits, as amended, be admitted into the record of this proceeding:

Testimony	Witness
CenturyTel/1-8,	Guy E. Miller, III
CenturyTel 14	
CenturyTel/9-11,	Ted M. Hankins
CenturyTel 16-17	
CenturyTel/12-13,	Steven E. Watkins
CenturyTel/15	

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The affidavits of the above persons, attesting to the truth and accuracy of the testimony and exhibits, are attached. The Affidavit of Steven E. Watkins contains minor corrections to exhibit CenturyTel/15. Mr. Miller and Mr. Hankins do not have any corrections to their pre-filed exhibits.

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MOTION TO ADMIT TESTIMONY OF CENTURYTEL OF OREGON, INC. - 1

Dated this 25th day of June, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD A. FINNIGAN, OSB No. 965357 Attorney for CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc.

MOTION TO ADMIT TESTIMONY OF CENTURYTEL OF OREGON, INC. - 2

### 1 2 3 4 5 BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION 6 **OF OREGON** 7 **ARB 830** 8 9 AFFIDAVIT OF GUY E. MILLER, III In the Matter of 10 SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY 11 L.P. 12 Petition For Arbitration of an Interconnection 13 Agreement with CENTURYTEL OF OREGON, INC. 14 15 I, Guy E. Miller, III, being first duly sworn on oath, depose and say: 16 My full name is Guy E. Miller, III. I am Director-Carrier Relations Strategy and Policy 1. 17 for CenturyTel Service Group and I am appearing on behalf of CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc. 18 ("CenturyTel"). 19 I filed testimony and associated exhibits CenturyTel/1-8 and CenturyTel/14 on behalf of 2. 20 CenturyTel in this matter. 21 To the best of my knowledge, my pre-filed testimony and exhibits are true and accurate. 3. 22 If I were asked the same questions today, my answers would be the same. 23 24 25 26 Law Office of AFFIDAVIT OF GUY E. MILLER, III - 1

SIGNED this 24th day of June, 2008. SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 24th day of June, 2008. My Commission Expires: at death Gary Maxwell Cox Louisiana Bar Roll No. 27419 Notary Public, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana My Commission is for Life 

AFFIDAVIT OF GUY E. MILLER, III - 2

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b. Pa	ge 4, line 18 through Page 5, line 1 of Exhibit CenturyTel/15 will now read:
As explained in the conte	ext of Issue #5, Sprint's separate facility charge arguments cannot be
reconciled with the requir	rement that the POI must be on the incumbent network of CenturyTel and the
fact that the transport rate	e for transport from that POI to the terminating location of a call already
addresses the facilities us	ed for such transport.

- c. Page 13, lines 14 through 16 of CenturyTel/15 will now read:

  All of the interconnection points and facilities being discussed in the Verizon Virginia proceeding were to be within the Verizon incumbent LEC service area.
  - d. Page 27, lines 16 through 20 of CenturyTel/15 will now read:

Finally, paragraph 201 of the *First Report and Order* from which Sprint quotes was written at a time when the FCC's Rules would have required superior interconnection arrangements under which Sprint would have to pay for the resulting extraordinary costs (as evidenced by the FCC throughout the section referenced by Mr. Burt).

- 4. Attached hereto as Attachment "A" are redline copies of pages 4, 13, and 27 of CenturyTel/15 showing the specific changes from the pre-filed testimony. Attached hereto as Attachment "B" are clean, substitute pages 4, 13, and 27 of CenturyTel/15.
- 5. With the corrections set forth above, to the best of my knowledge, my pre-filed testimony and exhibits are true and accurate. If I were asked the same questions today, my answers would be the same.

SIGNED this 24th day of June, 2008.

STEVEN E. WATKINS

AFFIDAVIT OF STEVEN E. WATKINS - 2

Notary Public for \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires:

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AFFIDAVIT OF STEVEN E-WATKINS - 3

# ATTACHMENT A

What direct interconnection terms should be included in the Interconnection 2 Agreement? Did Mr. Burt explain in his testimony where the Point of Interconnection between 4 0. Sprint and CenturyTel would be for the anticipated competitive service traffic 5 6 exchange between the parties? No. Without a specific proposal, any discussion of the Point of Interconnection ("POP") 7 A. issue and what the resulting trunking arrangements would be is relegated to discussion of 8 hypothetical possibilities and positions. The determination of the POI and trunking 9 arrangements which may be needed by the parties depends on several factors which 10 Century Tel has set forth in the contract proposal. See Watkins Testimony at p. 6, lines 4-11 7 and p. 17, line 5 through p. 19, line 2. A concrete example of the POI and network 12 arrangements must be described because it creates, in the context of evaluation of this 13 arbitration issue, the point where the parties will exchange competitive local exchange 14 traffic between their networks. Moreover, throughout its arbitration petition and 15 testimony, Sprint has unfortunately confused the specific issue of the location of the POI 16 in its discussion of Issue #5 and its interpretation regarding the applicable requirements 17 associated with the recovery of the costs of transport facilities. As explained in the 18 context of Issue #5, Sprint's separate facility charge arguments cannot be reconciled with 19 the requirement that the POI must be on the incumbent network of CenturyTel and the 20

fact that the transport rate for transport from that POI to the terminating location of a call

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1		51.701(c)). Therefore, Sprint's proposed additional charge for the facility would
2		represent double recovery in contradiction of the bill and keep agreement and the
3		defining rules. Watkins Testimony at p. 28, line 16 through p. 29, line 2. As I have also
4		explained, Mr. Burt's position that there should be a separate transport element in this
5		instance is in error. There is no separate rule for separate facility charges beyond the rule
6		that applies such sharing principles in the development of the rate for transport and
7		termination. Watkins Testimony at p. 30, line 1 through p. 31, line 16.
8	Q.	Does Mr. Burt's reliance on the FCC's Verizon Arbitration Decision (Burt Testimony
9		at p. 28, lines 650-659) to support his separate facility charge argument change your
0		mind?
1	A.	No, for at least two additional reasons. First, the Verizon Arbitration Decision, as I
2		explained in my Opening Testimony, is based on facts presented in that proceeding and
13		those facts are not the same as those under consideration here. Watkins Testimony at p.
14		26, line 1 through p. 38, line 10. All Second, all of the interconnection points and
15		facilities being discussed in the Verizon Virginia proceeding were to be within the
16	_	Verizon incumbent LEC service area.
17	•	Second, Mr. Burt's testimony actually supports the CenturyTel position. The
18		quote from the Verizon Arbitration Decision (Burt Testimony at p. 28, lines 656-659)
19		acknowledges that the application of the rules depends on the "POI between the two
20		carriers' networks." Sprint's position with respect to Issue 5 (as well as Issue 4)
21		conflicts with this guiding requirement. As with Verizon in Virginia, the incumbent mus

established requirement pursuant to access tariffs. There is no requirement for the parties to bill for local traffic because the parties have agreed to a bill and keep approach.

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For these reasons, to the extent that CenturyTel's compromise and limited third party transit arrangement were utilized by the parties, *and* to the extent that call records are not available from the intermediary carrier, CenturyTel's proposal to utilize factors with Sprint is a more than reasonable and modest approach which should be adopted here.

What response do you have to Mr. Burt's suggestion (Burt Testimony at p. 61, lines 1426-1432) that, in the context of Sections 251(c)(2) and 251(c)(3) of the Act, technical feasibility should not include consideration of accounting or billing restrictions?

The comment is irrelevant. First, Section 251(c)(3) is outside the scope of this proceeding. Second, Section 251(c)(2), as I have explained already, includes requirements in addition to technical feasibility. The other requirements of "no more than equal" and a POI within the incumbent LEC service area are not rendered inapplicable by the technical feasibility provision. Finally, paragraph 201 of the *First Report and Order* from which Sprint quotes was written at a time when the FCC's Rules would have required superior interconnection arrangements under which Sprint would have to pay for the <u>resulting</u> extraordinary costs (as evidenced by the FCC throughout the section referenced by Mr. Burt) that are result. Those rules were subsequently reversed by the courts. Watkins Testimony at p. 10, line 1 through p. 11, line 15.

### ATTACHMENT B

1 Issue #4 -- What direct interconnection terms should be included in the Interconnection

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Agreement?

Q. Did Mr. Burt explain in his testimony where the Point of Interconnection between Sprint and CenturyTel would be for the anticipated competitive service traffic exchange between the parties?

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#### 1 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 2 ARB 830 3 I certify that I have this day sent the attached Motion to Admit Testimony of CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc., Affidavit of Steven E. Watkins, Affidavit of Guy E. Miller, III and Affidavit of Ted M. Hankins by electronic mail and Federal Express to the following: 5 FILING CENTER 6 PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON 550 CAPITOL STREET NE, SUITE 215 7 SALEM, OR 97301-2551 puc.filingcenter@state.or.us 8 I further certify that I have this day sent the attached Motion to Admit Testimony of CenturyTel 9 of Oregon, Inc., Affidavit of Steven E. Watkins, Affidavit of Guy E. Miller, III and Affidavit of Ted M. Hankins by U.S. mail and electronic mail pursuant to OAR 860-013-0070, to the following parties 10 or attorneys of parties: 11 JUDITH ENDEJAN JANETTE LUEHRING 12 2801 ALASKAN WAY 6450 SPRINT PKWY MAILSTOP: KSOPHN0304 – 3b653 SUITE 300 13 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66251 SEATTLE, WA 98121 iendeian@grahamdunn.com janette.w.luehring@sprint.com 14 15 KRISTIN L. JACOBSON 201 MISSION ST STE 1400 16 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 kristin.l.jacobson@sprint.com 17 Dated at Olympia, Washington, this 25th day of June, 2008. 18 19 20 Richard A. Finnigan, OSB #965357 21 Attorney for CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc. 22 23 24 25

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