

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON
STAFF REPORT
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: August 16, 2016

REGULAR _____ CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE August 20, 2016

DATE: August 4, 2016

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Stephen Hayes 

THROUGH: Jason Eisdorfer, Bryan Conway, and Bruce Hellebuyck 

SUBJECT: QWEST CORPORATION: (Docket No. ADV 344/Advice No. 2130)
Establishes a new package and a new bundle: CenturyLink Business
Package and CenturyLink Business Bundle.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the filed tariff be allowed to go into effect.

DISCUSSION:

Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC (Qwest) proposes to establish one new package and one new bundle for business customers, CenturyLink Business Package and CenturyLink Business Bundle. The proposed package includes one flat rate business access line, a group of standard customer calling features, Voice Messaging Service¹, and a group of optional Add-A-Line packages with a choice of Hunting or Call Forwarding. The proposed bundle includes long distance and high-speed internet and is available to business customers subscribing to the Business Package and non-regulated services, long-distance and high-speed Internet.

The proposed monthly rate for the CenturyLink Business Package is \$53.00, and the optional Add-A-Line package with one optional feature would have a monthly rate of \$35.00. Business customers meeting the requirements including subscription to the Business Package described above along with non-regulated internet and long-distance services may subscribe to CenturyLink Business Bundle. Those subscribing business customers will receive CenturyLink Business Bundle at \$45.00 for the first bundle and

¹ Voice-mail (aka Voice Messaging Service) is a deregulated service, which was deregulated in PUC Order No. 96-257 (Docket UX 17).

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\$29.00 for the second through tenth bundles per location. Charges for the required non-regulated services would be in addition to the tariff charges.

Staff has reviewed the filing and determined that each of the regulated component services in the package and bundle may be purchased separately in the company's tariff. The price of the package does not exceed the sum of the tariff rates for the package's regulated component services, which complies with the Commission's policy on packages and bundles and Qwest's Price Plan Section O, pursuant to Order No. 14-346.

The company submitted an analysis that shows the proposed rates cover their respective long-run, incremental costs (LRIC) for the proposed package's and bundle's regulated services.

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Allow Qwest Advice No. 2130 to go into effect.

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