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Cover Sheet for Submission of 2015 Annual ETC Certification Reports

Name of Eligible Telecommunications Carrier: CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon

Filing date: July 7, 2015

Is this: Original submission? _____ OR Revised submission? ____X___

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Documents included in this filing (please check applicable items):

_____ CAF/ICC Support (47 CFR § 54.304)

_____ Rate Floor Data (47 CFR § 54.313(h))

_____ Form 481 (High-cost per 47 CFR § 54.313, Low-income per 54.422)¹

_____ Form 690 (Mobility Fund per 47 CFR § 54.1009)

<u>X</u> Affidavit for High-Cost Support

Filing deadlines: The deadlines for filing items required by 47 CFR § 54 are the same as the deadlines for filing with the FCC. The notarized affidavit for high-cost support must be filed no later than the due date for the FCC Form 481. Based on current information, it appears that all items other than CAF/ICC support data are due by July 1, 2015. The

CAF/ICC support data are due the same day as the ETC's interstate access tariff filing.

If revisions to an original submission are filed with the FCC or USAC, a copy of the revisions must be filed with the Oregon Commission no later than five business days following submission to the FCC or USAC.

¹ Lifeline-only ETCs must provide all information specified in 47 CFR § 54.422(b) even if the ETC does not submit this information to the FCC.

AFFIDAVIT CERTIFYING USE OF UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUNDS

I, David D. Cole, being of lawful age and duly sworn, on my oath, state that I am the Executive Vice President of Operations Support and Controller of CenturyLink, Inc. and an officer of CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink and that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of the Company, and the facts set forth in this affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Federal Communications Commission, 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink hereby certifies to the Public Utility Commission of Oregon that it is eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

I attest that all federal high-cost support provided to CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink in Oregon was used in the preceding calendar year (2014) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2016) only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

DATED this 17th day of June, 2015.

David D. Cole

Its: Executive Vice President of Operations Support and Controller

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this $17^{1/2}$ day of June, 2015.

Notary public in and for the State of Louisiana

My Commission Expires: At Death