

August 13, 2015

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> Docket No. UD - 25 Petition to Price List Home Phone II Service

Dear:

Attached for filing please find CenturyLink's Petition to Price List its Home Phone II Service, which was filed August 12, 2015. This Petition adds attorney Charles L. Best, and replaces the August 12th filing in its entirety.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

Docket No. UD 25

In the Matter of

UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE NORTHWEST, D/B/A CENTURYLINK, CENTURYTEL OF OREGON, INC. AND CENTURYTEL OF EASTERN OREGON, INC. D/B/A CENTURYLINK Petition to Price List Home Phone II Service UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE NORTHWEST D/B/A CENTURYLINK, CENTURYTEL OF OREGON, INC. AND CENTURYTEL OF EASTERN OREGON, D/B/A CENTURYLINK'S PETITION TO PRICE LIST HOME PHONE II SERVICE

Pursuant to ORS 759.054, OAR 860-032-0035 and OAR 860-032- 0200(3),

United Telephone Company of the Northwest d/b/a CenturyLink, and CenturyTel of

Oregon, Inc. and CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon, Inc., d/b/a CenturyLink (hereafter

referred to collectively as CenturyLink) respectfully submits this Petition to Price List its

Home Phone II Service. In support of this Petition, and in compliance with OAR 860-

032-0035, CenturyLink states:

1. Name and address of the public utilities:

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Petitioner's representatives:

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2. The service territories of United Telephone Company of the Northwest,

CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc. and CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon, Inc.:

United Telephone Company of the Northwest, CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc. and CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon, Inc. are authorized by the Commission to operate as a telecommunications utility serving 30 United Telephone Company and 56 CenturyTel exchanges in Oregon, which are identified on maps on file with the Commission.

3. The services proposed to be price-listed, including the initial price list with

the proposed terms and price of the service:

CenturyLink proposes to price list its Home Phone II packaged service which is already offered as a package under an approved tariff. This package is identified in Section 5 of United Telephone Company of the Northwest's Local Exchange Tariff PUC OR No. 4 and Section 5 of the Local Exchange Tariff OR PUC No. 6 for CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc. and CenturyTel of Eastern Oregon, Inc d/b/a CenturyLink.¹ The initial price of this package shall be the current tariffed rates.

As set forth in ORS 759.054(1) and OAR 860-032-0035(11), after the Commission authorizes CenturyLink to price list this package, CenturyLink may file revisions. Withdrawal of, and revisions to, this price-listed package will be effective immediately upon filing with the Commission unless a later date is specified. The price for this package will comply with all applicable rules such as OAR 850-032-0035(7) which requires the Company to set rates at or above the long-run incremental cost; and OAR 860-032-0035(8) which requires the Company to set rates for a package of services equal to or greater than the tariffed rate(s) for the essential service(s) plus the long run incremental cost(s) of the "non essential" service(s) in the package.

4. The Public Utility Commission's jurisdiction over price listing the service:

The Commission has jurisdiction to order price-listing of non-essential products and services, pursuant to ORS 759.054(1).

5. Statement from each joint provider of the service that it agrees to the price list:

CenturyLink does not currently anticipate that there will be joint providers of the services or products that will be packaged and price-listed. CenturyLink will be the sole provider of each service it provides in this package. If there are such joint

¹ A copy of the tariff sheets referenced in this Petition is attached as Exhibit A.

providers in the future, CenturyLink will provide the statement required by OAR 860-032-0035(1)(d) at the time a price list for such a package is filed with the Commission.

6. The products and services CenturyLink proposes to price list are not essential.

For purposes of this Petition, the package itself will constitute the "product or service" to be price-listed, and not the individual components of the package. The individual products and services included in this package will be readily available from CenturyLink on an individual basis at tariffed rate(s) approved by the Commission or at rates established in CenturyLink's price lists. The individual services included in this package will continue to be included in CenturyLink's filed tariffs or price lists. Therefore, consumers will continue to have the option to assemble their own "package" of products and services at tariffed and price-listed rates.

ORS 759.054(1) and OAR 860-032-0035(4) authorize the Commission to permit a telecommunications utility to price list services and products solely on the basis that the services are "not essential," without any requirement that such products or service be subject to competition. Under OAR 860-032-0035(6)(J), there is a rebuttable presumption that a package of telecommunications services is not essential, provided each service within the package is readily available to customer on a separate basis. The packages or products and services that CenturyLink proposes to price-list are not essential because the individual components are available from CenturyLink at tariffed or price-listed rates. Therefore, CenturyLink is not required to make any specific

showing under ORS 759.054 or OAR 860-032-0035(5) that the package itself or its individual components are subject to competition.

7. Price-listing of the Home Phone II packaged service is consistent with the public interest.

CenturyLink does not seek authority to deregulate or exempt from regulation in whole either the package or products and services or the individual regulated products and services included in the package. In doing so, CenturyLink seeks to exempt the package from the requirements that the Commission pre-approve any price changes or the withdrawal from the market of the package. The individual products and service that make up this package shall remain subject to regulation and the Commission's authority over the introduction, pricing and withdrawal of the individual regulated component services shall remain unaffected by approval of this Petition.

The public interest does not require full tariff regulation of this package of products and service because the individual components for the package are available in the marketplace from CenturyLink at comparable and competitive rates. In addition, the price for this package will not exceed the sum of the tariffed and price-listed rates of the individual components of the package.

CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, CenturyLink requests that the Commission grant this

Petition and authorize CenturyLink to price list the Home Phone II package of products

and services on the terms set forth in this Petition.

Respectfully submitted this 13th day of August, 2015.

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PACKAGED SERVICES

3. <u>HOME PHONE II</u>

A. DESCRIPTION

- 1. Home Phone II is an option enrollment plan that permits residence customers to receive Local Exchange Service and additional features and services for a flat monthly rate.
- 2. Home Phone II customers must subscribe to a qualifying long distance plan.
- 3. Home Phone II includes the following services and features:
 - Residence Flat Rate Access Line
 - Choice of the following features: Anonymous Call Rejection Busy Redial Call Forward Busy Call Forward No Answer Call Forwarding Call Forward Remote Access (where available) Call Return Call Waiting Call Waiting ID Caller ID Cancel Call Waiting Message Waiting Indication Selective Call Accept Selective Call Forward Selective Call Rejection 3-Way Calling VIP Alert Voice Mail⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ Voicemail is not regulated under this Tariff. A **\$2.99** Non-Telecom Services Surcharge applies monthly in addition to the monthly rate listed herein when customers select the Voice Mail feature.

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3. <u>HOME PHONE II</u> (Cont'd)

B. REGULATIONS

- 1. Home Phone II customers may terminate their enrollment in the plan at any time upon notice to the Company.
- 2. Unless terminated by the Home Phone II customer or the Company, a customer will remain enrolled in the plan, as amended from time-to-time, with any applicable changes in rate, for as long as the plan continues to be offered by the Company.
- 3. Home Phone II customers are not eligible for promotional offerings associated with the features included in the plan, unless specifically provided for in a promotional offering.
- 4. Components of Home Phone II will be converted to ala carte rates for the remaining services if customers remove any of the qualifying services.
- 5. All terms and conditions specified elsewhere for the respective services/features requested as part of this plan shall apply.
- 6. Services selected as part of this plan can only be provided where technically available and compatible with other services the customer may choose to order.
- 7. Home Phone II cannot be combined with any other discounts unless otherwise specified.

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3. <u>HOME PHONE II (Cont'd)</u>

- C. RATES AND CHARGES
 - 1. The monthly rate includes the Local Exchange Service, flat rate EAS, Touch Calling Service, and features only. All other recurring charges applicable to an access line apply to Home Phone II. Among other things, these include but are not limited to, surcharges, subscriber line charges, and taxes. Also, the monthly rate does not include the recurring charges for the qualifying long distance plan.
 - 2. Nonrecurring charges, as described in Schedule 2 of CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc. P.U.C. Or. No. 5 apply for new and additional Home Phone II lines, and moves of existing lines.
 - 3. Nonrecurring charges do not apply when Home Phone II replaces existing Local Exchange Service. Nonrecurring charges do apply when Customers request a change from Home Phone II back to Local Exchange Service.

Residence Monthly Rate

Home Phone II (1)

\$38.95

⁽¹⁾ The customer must subscribe to either CenturyLink Communications, LLC Home Phone II Per Minute long distance plan or CenturyLink Communications, LLC Home Phone II Unlimited long distance plan to qualify for this bundle.

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EXCHANGE SERVICES

<u>Solutions Packages - Residence</u> (Cont'd)

C. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

Monthly Rate

\$28.95

Home Phone II⁽¹⁾ a. Local Exchange Service Anonymous Call Rejection Repeat Dialing Call Forward Busy - Fixed Call Forward No Answer - Fixed Call Forwarding Call Forward Remote Access (where available) Return Call Enhanced Call Waiting Call Waiting ID **Cancel Call Waiting** Message Waiting Selective Call Acceptance Selective Call Forwarding Selective Call Rejection Selective Call Ring Three-Way Calling Voice Mail⁽²⁾

⁽²⁾ Rates for Voicemail can be found in the Oregon Catalog at <u>www.CenturyLink.com/tariffs</u>. A \$2.99 Non-Telecom Services Surcharge applies in addition to the monthly rate for VoiceMail.

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