PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT **PUBLIC MEETING DATE: December 16, 2014**

CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE REGULAR **January 1, 2015**

DATE:

December 4, 2014

TO:

Public Utility Commission

FROM:

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THROUGH: Jason Eisdorfer, Bryan Conway, and Bruce Hellebuyck

SUBJECT: UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE NORTHWEST:

(Advice No. OR14-09) Revises Competitive Response offerings for

residential customers.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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

DISCUSSION:

With this filing, United Telephone Company of the Northwest dba CenturyLink (United) proposes to remove the Simple Choice Unlimited Offer from its Competitive Response tariff. The company also proposes to make a minor revision to its Simple Choice Unlimited \$10 for 12 Offer in its Competitive Response tariff.

Simple Choice Unlimited Offer -

This offer allows new residential customers who subscribe to the Simple Choice Unlimited Bundle to receive a waiver of applicable service charges. Customers must subscribe to the company's high-speed internet access to be eligible for this waiver. The company proposes to remove this offer from its tariff.

Simple Choice Unlimited \$10 for 12 Offer -

This offer allows customers to receive a \$10 bill credit for 12 months when they contact the company to disconnect service and agree to retain service with the company. Customers must agree to subscribe to the company's Simple Choice Unlimited Long Distance plan for a minimum of 12 months to receive this credit. Currently, all

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residential customers are eligible for this offer. With this filing, the company proposes to limit eligibility for this offering to existing Simple Choice Unlimited customers. No other changes to the offer are proposed with this filing.

This filing was made pursuant to the Price Plan that the Commission approved in Order No. 14-347, effective October 7, 2014. Under the Price Plan, United is required to file tariff changes with the Commission at least 30 days prior to a filing's effective date. This filing was submitted on November 20, 2014, and thus complies with the requirement in the Price Plan.

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

The United tariff proposed in Advice No. OR14-09 be allowed to go into effect.

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