

January 14, 2021

Public Utility Commission of Oregon 201 High Street, SE, Suite 100 Salem, Oregon 97301-3398

RE: Advice No. 2158 for Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC (AMENDED TARIFF PACKAGE)

P.U.C. OREGON NO. 33 Tariff

#### Dear Commissioners:

Please find the enclosed AMENDMENT to the tariff submission that was originally filed with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon on January 7, 2021 with a February 13, 2021 effective date under Advice No. 2158 on behalf of Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC. As previously discussed with Oregon Public Utility Commission Sr. Utility Analyst, Ms. Malia Brock, minor corrections are being made.

Also, a Less Than Statutory Notice Application is included.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (913) 884-1131.

Sincerely,

Robyn Crichton

ec: Ms. Samantha Ridderbusch, CenturyLink

Mr. David Ziegler, CenturyLink

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## LESS THAN STATUTORY NOTICE APPLICATION

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# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	) UTILITY L.S.N. APPLICATION			
Qwest Corportation ADV 1229/Advice No. 2158	) NO.			
(UTILITY COMPANY)	) (LEAVE BLANK)			
TO WAIVE STATUTORY NOTICE.	)			
NOTE: ATTACH EXHIBIT IF SPACE IS INSUFFICIENT.				
GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE(S) ADDITION, DELETION, OR CHANGE. (SCHEDULE INCLUDES ALL RATES, TOLLS AND CHARGES FOR SERVICE AND ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS AFFECTING THE SAME)     Corrections to to Federal Lifeline Program and Oregon Telephone Assistance Program (OTAP) Credit Language				
2. APPLICANT DESIRES TO CHANGE THE SCHEDULE(S) NOV REFERENCE BY NUMBER, PAGE, AND ITEM) Section 5, Sheets 55, 56 and 57 of its Exchange and Netwo		(INSERT SCHEDULE		
3. THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE(S) SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS: (In/a	NSERT SCHEDULE REFERENCE BY NUMI	BER, PAGE AND ITEM)		
4. REASONS FOR REQUESTING A WAIVER OF STATUTORY NOTICE: As previously discussed with Oregon Public Utility Commission Sr. Utility Analyst, Ms. Malia Brock, this amendment filing makes minor corrections to the filing that was originally submitted on January 7, 2021				
5. REQUESTED EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE NEW SCHEDULE(S) OR CHANGE(S): February 13, 2021				
. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE  Robyn Crichton	TITLE Government Operations Manager	DATE January 14, 2021		
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☐ APPROVED ☐ DENIED	EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED SCHEDULE(S) OR CHANGE			
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	<u> </u>	DATE		

## **Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC**

P.U.C. OREGON NO. 33 EXCHANGE AND **NETWORK SERVICES** 

SECTION 5 3rd Revised Sheet 55 Cancels 2nd Revised Sheet 55

Effective: February 13, 2021

#### 5. EXCHANGE SERVICES

#### 5.2 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### 5.2.6 LIFELINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

- A. Federal Lifeline Program (Cont'd)
  - 4. Monthly Credit

	CREDIT USOC	CREDIT AMOUNT
Federal Lifeline Program Credit	[1]	
<ul> <li>Qualifying voice-only service</li> </ul>		
- Prior to December 1, 2019		\$9.25
- Effective December 1, 2019		7.25
- Effective December 1, 2020		5.25
Qualifying Broadband or bundled servi	ce	9.25

[1] The Company will issue an additional federal credit equal to the difference (N) between the interstate subscriber line charge and the federal lifeline credit when the interstate subscriber line charge exceeds the federal lifeline credit amount.

(N)

Credit is applied as follows: ASGFX\* + ASGF2\*\*

- USOC ASGFX applies an amount equal to the Subscriber Line Charge found in Section 4.7.1 of the CenturyLink Operating Companies Tariff F.C.C. No. 11.
- \*\* USOC ASGF2 applies the remaining amount required to equal the federal credit if the federal lifeline credit is greater than the subscriber line charge. (N)

When a Tribal Lifeline Credit also applies, the Federal Lifeline Program Credit USOCs are ASGFR + ASGF2.

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P.U.C. OREGON NO. 33 EXCHANGE AND NETWORK SERVICES SECTION 5 7th Revised Sheet 56 6th Revised Sheet 56

Effective: February 13, 2021

#### 5. EXCHANGE SERVICES

### 5.2 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

### 5.2.6 LIFELINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS (CONT'D)

- B. Oregon Telephone Assistance Program (OTAP)
- 1. Description

The Oregon Telephone Assistance Program (OTAP) is designed to provide low income subscribers who meet OTAP eligibility requirements a reduced rate or discount for basic **and/or broadband** service at their principal place of residence whether sold separately or in combination with other services. For purposes of OTAP, "basic service" means "basic telephone service" as defined in OAR 860-032-0190. For qualifying low-income subscribers, basic service also includes access to toll-limitation services. The OTAP discount is limited to one single line, or single line equivalent, per economic unit at the customer's principal residence in Oregon.

2. Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for the OTAP discount, a residential service subscriber, one or more of the subscriber's dependents or the subscriber's household must:

- a. Receive benefits from one of the following public assistance programs:
  - Medicaid under Title XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act;
  - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program;
  - Supplemental Security Income;
  - Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8); or
  - Veterans and Survivors Pension Benefit
- b. Have income that is at or below 135 percent of the applicable federal poverty guidelines for a household of that size.

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## **Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC**

P.U.C. OREGON NO. 33 EXCHANGE AND NETWORK SERVICES SECTION 5
5th Revised Sheet 57
Cancels 4th Revised Sheet 57

Effective: February 13, 2021

#### 5. EXCHANGE SERVICES

#### 5.2 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### 5.2.6 LIFELINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

- B. Oregon Telephone Assistance Program (OTAP)
  - 3. Terms and Conditions
    - a. To qualify for the OTAP discount, a subscriber must demonstrate eligibility for OTAP by making application to the Oregon Public Utility Commission (OPUC) on an OPUC-approved form.
    - b. The Company provides an OTAP-eligible subscriber the OTAP discount in the form of a monthly credit on the subscriber's bill effective with the date specified for the subscriber by the OPUC. The OTAP credit will be prorated on the basis of a 30-day month from the effective date of the subscriber's eligibility.
  - 4. Monthly Credit

	Credit USOC	Credit Amount	
State Credit for the exchange access			
line and/or broadband internet access service			(T)
for OTAP participants	ASGSX	[1][2]	` ,

- [1] Effective January 1, 2020, this credit also applies to broadband internet access service.
- Oregon Public Utility Commission Authorized Rate.

  The currently authorized credit amount is available in section 5.2.6 of the Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC Exchange and Network Services Catalog No. 3.