

**OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE**

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TO: File through Michael Dougherty and Bruce Hellebuyck

FROM: Stephanie Yamada

SUBJECT: QWEST CORPORATION: (Docket No. ADV 1218/Advice No. 2157)
Increases the monthly rate for Nonpublished Telephone Number Service and decreases the monthly rate for business Nonlisted Telephone Number Service.

I have reviewed this filing and recommend that an acknowledgement letter be sent. With this filing, Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC (Qwest) proposes to increase the rate for residential and business Nonpublished Telephone Number Service and to decrease the rate for business Nonlisted Telephone Number Service.

Issue

Whether the rate changes proposed by Qwest should be allowed to become effective for service rendered on and after February 1, 2021.

Applicable Rule or Law

Telecommunications utilities are required under ORS 759.175 to submit filings to the Commission whenever they intend to change their rates, terms, or conditions of service.

Qwest is regulated under a Price Plan pursuant to ORS 759.255 and Order No. 18-359 in Docket No. UM 1908. Section 8.a.i of the Price Plan requires Qwest to file all tariff changes with the Commission at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the change. Section 8.b of the Price Plan requires Qwest to provide customers with 30-day notice of price changes.

Pursuant to Section 4.j of the Price Plan, rates for nonpublished numbers and business unlisted numbers may not increase by more than \$1.00 in any Plan year or \$3.00 over a four-year Plan term.

Analysis

Nonlisted Telephone Number Service represents an arrangement in which a customer's telephone number appears on Directory Assistance records but is omitted from the telephone directory. Nonpublished Telephone Number Service represents an

arrangement in which a customer's telephone number does not appear in either the telephone directory or the Directory Assistance records.

The rate changes proposed with the present filing are summarized below.

Service	Class	Pre-Plan Rate	Current Rate	Proposed Rate	Current Year Change	4-Year Change
Nonpublished Number	Res & Business	\$0.65	\$1.65	\$2.65	\$1.00	\$2.00
Nonlisted Number	Business	\$0.35	\$1.35	\$0.35	-\$1.00	\$0.00

Previously, with Advice No. 2147, Qwest filed to increase its business Nonlisted Telephone Number Service rate from \$0.35 to \$1.35, effective May 1, 2019. However, in the advice letter submitted with the present filing, the Company states that the \$1.35 rate approved with Advice No. 2147 was never implemented. The \$1.00 rate reduction proposed with the present filing aligns the tariff with the actual current rate of \$0.35.

The Company states that customers were notified of the proposed changes.

Conclusion

This filing complies with applicable laws and the provisions of Qwest's Price Plan, and should be allowed to become effective.