

**OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE**

DATE: August 17, 2023

TO: File through Marc Hellman

FROM: Joseph Bartholomew

SUBJECT: UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE NORTHWEST d/b/a CENTURYLINK: (Docket No. ADV 1527/Advice No. OR23-02) United Telephone Company of the Northwest d/b/a CenturyLink PUC OR No. 4 Tariff Change.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the filed revised tariff pages be allowed to go into effect for service on and after August 1, 2023, and an acknowledgement letter be sent.

DISCUSSION:

Issue

Whether to allow the revised tariff pages filed by United Telephone Company of the Northwest d/b/a CenturyLink (CenturyLink) to go into effect with service on and after August 1, 2023.

Applicable Law

Telecommunications utilities are required under ORS 759.175 to submit tariff filings to the Commission whenever they intend to change their rates, terms, or conditions of service. On September 28, 2018, with Order No. 18-359, the Commission approved a Price Plan applicable to CenturyLink, as allowed by ORS 759.255.

Section (8)(a)(i) of CenturyLink's Price Plan requires tariff changes to be filed at least thirty days prior to their effective dates.

Filings that propose any change in rates, tolls, charges, rules, or regulations must be filed with the Commission at least 30 days before the effective date of the change. ORS 759.190.

Analysis

CenturyLink filed revised Tariff pages on June 23, 2023, to propose revisions to the following:

Section	Revision	Page
2	1 st	14
2	1 st	20

This filing revises the terms under which Vacation Service and Supersedure Service apply. Effective August 1, 2023, residence and small business services that are grandfathered are not eligible for Supersedure Service or Vacation Service.

Conclusion

Staff finds that the filing complies with the requirements of the CenturyLink Price Plan and Oregon statutes. Therefore, Staff finds that the CenturyLink Advice No. OR23-02 should go into effect for service rendered on and after August 1, 2023.