



July 26, 2019

Mr. Stephen Kahl
Interim Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue, 12th Floor
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Case No. PU-19-197

Dear Mr. Kahl:

Enclosed for filing is Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC's ("CenturyLink") sworn affidavit to meet its North Dakota Annual Eligible Telecommunications Carrier filing requirement pursuant to Case No. PU-19-197 of the North Dakota Public Service Commission.

The Company respectfully requests that the Commission notify the FCC and USAC prior to October 1 of this year, that Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC is eligible to receive federal high-cost support for 2020.

Please contact me at (318) 330-6061 or Al Lubeck at (913) 353-7074 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shane Tico/badm".

Shane Tico
Senior Regulatory Analyst
CenturyLink

Enclosure

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**Affidavit regarding certification of use of Federal
Universal Service Support**

Qwest Corporation

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 26th day of July, 2019, the original and seven copies of the attached were served upon the following party:

Mr. Stephen Kahl
Interim Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue, 12th Floor
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

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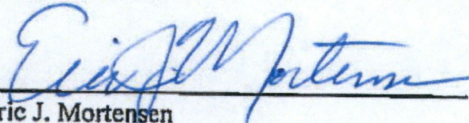
AFFIDAVIT CERTIFYING USE OF
FEDERAL HIGH-COST AND CONNECT AMERICA FUND SUPPORT

STATE OF COLORADO
COUNTY OF BROOMFIELD

I, the undersigned, under penalty of perjury, state as follows:

1. I am the Senior Vice President and Controller of CenturyLink, Inc. ("Carrier")
- ~~2. I am a corporate officer of Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC (North Dakota) authorized to certify use of Federal High-Cost and Connect America Fund ("CAF") Support.~~
3. Carrier is an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") within the meaning of §214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, has been designated by the North Dakota Public Service Commission as an ETC, and is eligible to receive universal service support pursuant to §254(e) of the Act.
4. Carrier files this affidavit in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC's") Order of May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 96-45, WC Docket No. 14-58 and WC Docket No. 10-90 released in FCC 11-191, November 18, 2011, which requires that each state certify to the FCC that all Federal High-Cost and CAF Support was used during the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended as required by Section §254(e) of the Telecommunications Act.
5. Carrier hereby attests that it has used Federal High-Cost and CAF Support Funds during the preceding calendar year and will use said funds in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to §254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, regardless of the rule under which that support is provided.

Further affiant sayeth not.



Eric J. Mortensen
Senior Vice President and Controller
CenturyLink, Inc.

STATE OF COLORADO
COUNTY OF BROOMFIELD

Acknowledged before me this 22nd day of July 2019, by Eric J. Mortensen as Senior Vice President and Controller for CenturyLink, Inc. who is personally known to me or produced identification and who did take an oath.



NOTARY PUBLIC

Printed Name of Notary

My commission expires:

Cynthia Downs

1/20/2023

