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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Qwest Corporation
PIDs & PAP
Cancellation / Application

Case No. PU-22-20

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- **Notice of Hearing**

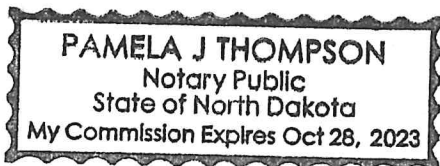
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Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **1st day of April 2022**.



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NOTICE OF HEARING

March 30, 2022

A **Public Hearing** on the application in Case No. PU-22-20 is scheduled for **June 24, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. central time in the Commission Hearing Room, 12th Floor, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505.**

Under the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, Qwest Corporation, dba CenturyLink QC, (CenturyLink) is required to provide open access to its networks, facilities and services to other providers of telecommunications services, such as competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs). Measures known as Performance Indicator Definitions (PIDs) provide specific data about the quality of the open access provided by CenturyLink to other carriers, and a Performance Assurance Plan (PAP) applies specific standards or goals that the performance measures must accomplish.

On January 6, 2022, CenturyLink filed an application with the Commission for approval to eliminate the PIDs and PAP. The proposed elimination was prompted by the Federal Communications Commission's UNE Modernizing Forbearance Order. CenturyLink is requesting, effective February 1, 2022, approval of the elimination of PIDs and PAP from all interconnection agreements in North Dakota, and that existing interconnection agreements be modified to eliminate the PIDs and PAP without the need for further filings or approvals.

On January 18, 2022, the Commission suspended the elimination of the PAP and PIDs in the interconnection agreements and issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in the matter providing until March 4, 2022, for comments and requests for hearing.

On February 28, 2022, Commission Advocacy Staff filed testimony and requested a hearing.

The issues to be considered in this matter are:

1. Whether the elimination of PIDs and PAP should be approved.
2. Whether all existing interconnection agreements with CenturyLink should be modified to eliminate the PIDs and PAP without the need for further filings or approvals.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400 or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify, Steve Kahl, Executive Director, 24 hours in advance.

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