Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, DC 20554

| In the Matter of |) | |
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| Section 63.71 Application of |) | RECEIVED |
| Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC |)) | APR 3 0 2018 |
| For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, As Amended, to Discontinue the Provision of Service |) | SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION |

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC (FRN: 0003-7467-57) (referred to herein as "CenturyLink") hereby applies for authority pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission's (Commission) rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, and Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, to discontinue its CenturyLink Frame Relay service and CenturyLink Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) service throughout CenturyLink's legacy Qwest Corporation's territory.

CenturyLink submits the following information in support of its application:

1. Name and address of carrier

CenturyLink 100 CenturyLink Drive Monroe, Louisiana 71203

2. Date of planned service discontinuance

As of July 31, 2018, or as soon thereafter as the necessary regulatory approvals can be obtained, CenturyLink will no longer offer these services to new customers or accept new orders from existing customers (except to the extent such orders are permitted by contract). Existing customers of these services will be grandfathered as follows:

to alternative CenturyLink services, such as IQ Networking Private Port Service, which uses the latest technology to create a robust VPN service. Customers can also turn to numerous other providers of similar services.

5. Brief description of the dates and methods of notice to all affected customers

CenturyLink notified its customers of the planned discontinuance of CenturyLink's Frame Relay and ATM services by letter sent via U.S. Mail on April 25, 2018. A copy of the customer notification letter is appended hereto. (See Attachment A.)

6. Dominance of carrier with respect to the service to be discontinued

CenturyLink is a dominant carrier with regard to the services to be discontinued.

7. Service

In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a), CenturyLink has mailed a copy of this application to the Governor and public utility commission of each affected state identified in Paragraph 3 above, to any federally-recognized Tribal Nations with authority over the Tribal lands in the geographic areas identified in Paragraph 3 above, as well as to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications under the Secretary of Defense.

Respectfully submitted,

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DATE: April 26, 2018

ATTACHMENT A



CenturyLink 100 CenturyLink Drive Monroe, LA 71203

Date

Customer Name Customer Address City, State ZIP

Dear < Customer Name>.

Due to changing market conditions, we routinely evaluate our service offerings to ensure the highest quality services for our customers at the best value.

CenturyLink has been working on the end-of-sale and end-of-life for its interstate and intrastate Frame Relay and Asynchronous Transfer Mode ("ATM") services for several years. The equipment associated with these services has been discontinued by the manufacturer, and our stock of spare equipment has diminished. We are now ready to complete the discontinuance of these services for CenturyLink's Qwest Corporation affiliate. These services are in the following states: AZ, CO, IA, ID, MN, MT, ND, NE, NM, OR, SD, UT, WA and WY. This is a service to which you currently subscribe.

As of July 31, 2018, or as soon after that date as authorized by the relevant regulatory commissions, CenturyLink QC Frame Relay service and QC ATM service will no longer be available to new customers or for new orders from existing customers.

Existing customers of these services will be grandfathered as follows:

- Existing contracts for these services will not be renewed.
- Customers with a contract that expires prior to March 1, 2019 may retain their CenturyLink QC Frame Relay and/or QC ATM service covered by that contract on a month-to-month basis per the terms of their contract until March 1, 2019.
- Customers with a contract that expires after March 1, 2019 may retain their CenturyLink QC Frame Relay and/or QC ATM service covered by that contract until the expiration of that contract. At that time, the current service will be considered endof-life, and will no longer be supported.

You are encouraged to migrate now to another CenturyLink private networking service, such as CenturyLink's MPLS VPN services or the cost-effective, dynamic networking solutions offered by CenturyLink's SD-WAN services or CenturyLink Metro Ethernet. Please do not delay migrating your service, as you will risk business disruption as a result of network service unavailability.

If you have any questions about these changes, please contact your CenturyLink Account Manager.

Thank you for choosing CenturyLink for your business needs—we value you as our customer.

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The following statement is required by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC):

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. You may file your comments electronically through the FCC's Electronic Filing System using the docket number established in the Commission's public notice for this proceeding, or you may address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the § 63.71 Application of Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Ross Dino, do hereby certify that I have caused the foregoing SECTION 63.71

APPLICATION to be:

- 1) Filed with the Secretary of the FCC via ECFS (INBOX--NON-DOCKETED FILING);
- Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Governors of the States listed on the attached service list;
- Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Public Utility
 Commissions listed on the attached service list;
- 4) Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Regulatory Authorities for the Tribal Nations listed on the attached service list; and
- 5) Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Special Assistant for Telecommunications under the Secretary of Defense.

Ross Dino

April 26, 2018

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