

January 23, 2020

Patricia Van Gerpen Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On January 17, 2020, CenturyLink filed with the Board a notice regarding the Connect America Fund Phase II (CAF II) execution progress. It has come to CenturyLink's attention that the initial paragraph of the submission contained a typographical error to the year referenced. In order to ensure the completeness of the record in WC Docket No. 10-90, CenturyLink submitted an Erratum filing to correct the typographical error and stated that it would ensure that the correct notice would be provided to state commissions.

Enclosed is CenturyLink's Erratum filing dated January 17, 2020.

Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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**Enclosure** 



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## Via ECFS

January 17, 2020

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Connect America Fund; WC Docket No. 10-90 – Erratum to CenturyLink January 15, 2020 Notice Submission

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 15, 2020, CenturyLink filed a Notice submission in the above-referenced docket regarding its previous acceptance of Connect America Fund (CAF) Phase II support to deploy broadband service to over one million locations in thirty-three states. By today's Erratum filing, CenturyLink is correcting a typographical error to the year referenced in the following sentence from the initial paragraph of the January 15<sup>th</sup> submission:

On a state-by-state basis, CenturyLink's current year-end data reflect that it met or exceeded the program's December 31, 2018 interim broadband deployment milestone in ten states.

## This sentence is corrected to now read as follows:

On a state-by-state basis, CenturyLink's current year-end data reflect that it met or exceeded the program's December 31, 2019 interim broadband deployment milestone in ten states.

Attached to this Erratum submission is a copy of CenturyLink's January 15<sup>th</sup> submission, with this sentence corrected. CenturyLink regrets this inadvertent typographical error and requests that the Erratum filing be accepted to ensure the completeness of the record in WC Docket No. 10-90.

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CenturyLink will ensure that a correct Notice is provided to the Universal Service Administrative Company and to state commissions and relevant Tribal Governments in the impacted states. Please contact the undersigned with any questions regarding this Erratum.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jeffrey S. Lanning

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January 15, 2020 (as corrected on January 17, 2020)

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Connect America Fund; WC Docket No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In August 2015, CenturyLink accepted Connect America Fund (CAF) Phase II support to deploy broadband service to over one million locations in thirty-three states. Using that support, CenturyLink has now enabled broadband service at speeds of at least 10/1 Mbps or higher to nearly 900,000 locations in CAF II census blocks in those states. On a state-by-state basis, CenturyLink's current year-end data reflect that it met or exceeded the program's December 31, 2019 interim broadband deployment milestone in ten states.

CenturyLink may not have reached the deployment milestone in other states. Thus, in accord with 47 C.F.R. § 54.320(d), CenturyLink provides this notice that, based on preliminary yearend data, it may not have met the CAF Phase II eighty-percent interim deployment milestone in twenty-three states. Those states are Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Iowa, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin. CenturyLink continues its process to review, validate and confirm the data. By March 1, we will provide the requisite information to the HUBB portal in accord with 47 C.F.R. § 54.316.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.320(d) states that "[e]ligible telecommunications carriers subject to defined build-out milestones must notify the Commission and USAC, and the relevant state, U.S. Territory, or Tribal government, if applicable, within 10 business days after the applicable deadline if they have failed to meet a build-out milestone."

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CenturyLink continues to deploy broadband to CAF II locations under the program and remains committed to meeting its CAF II obligations. In accord with section 54.320(d), CenturyLink is also providing this notice to the Universal Service Administrative Company and to state commissions and relevant Tribal Governments in the impacted states. Please contact the undersigned with any questions regarding this notice.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jeffrey S. Lanning

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