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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

October 9, 2009

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st Floor
500 E. Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: Notification of Fictitious Name Change for Embarq Communications, Inc.

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On January 14, 2009, Embarq Communications, Inc. ("ECI") notified the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") of a transaction that would result with a merger between Embarq Communications, Inc. and CenturyTel, Inc. ("CenturyTel"). The merger transaction was closed on July 1, 2009. ECI will continue to provide services pursuant to its approved, existing authorizations, and under the same rates, terms and conditions.

This letter is to advise that ECI has adopted the fictitious name "CenturyLink Communications" and will commence to operate under that fictitious name on or about October 19, 2009. Customers of ECI have been provided with notice of the use of the name CenturyLink Communications. Customers received the message describing these changes with bill cycles running from July 18 through August 18, 2009. An additional bill insert is planned to run twice from August 18 through October 18, 2009.

This is a fictitious name change only and does not otherwise affect the operations of the company. Enclosed is a copy of the amended document filed with the South Dakota Secretary of State's Office on July 29, 2009.

Please return a file-stamped copy of this letter to me in the enclosed, prepaid self-addressed envelope. Please do not hesitate to call me with any questions at 913-345-6361.

Very truly yours,

Linda K. Joseph

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Paralegal

Enclosures

Fictitious Business Name Registration Receipt from the Central Filing System of the Secretary of State's Office.

The described business hereby certifies that they will engage in, conduct, or operate a business for profit under the fictitious name of:

CenturyLink Communications

Owner Name	Residence Address	Post Office Address
Embarq Communications, Inc.	100 CenturyTel Drive Monroe Louisiana 71203	

That the address where the main office of such business is to be maintained is:
100 CenturyTel Drive Monroe Louisiana 71203

Receipt Number: 27153
Original Registration Date: 7/29/2009
Filed By: Samantha Jones
Amount Paid: \$10.00

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Amendment: An amendment should be filed when some substantive item about the business changes such as change in ownership, business name change, address change, etc. When an amendment is done it automatically renews the business registration information and extends the expiration date by making it 5 years from the amendment date.

Renewal: A renewal needs to be filed every 5 years if no amendments are made to the business.