

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF CENTURYLINK QC'S )
REQUEST OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC )
UTILITIES COMMISSION FOR 2017 ETC )
CERTIFICATION TO THE FEDERAL )
COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION )
§20:10:32:52 )

Affidavit of David D. Cole

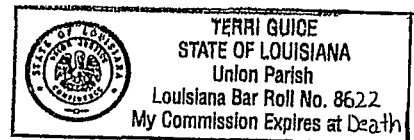
David D. Cole, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states as follows:

- 1. I am employed by CenturyLink Inc. as the Executive Vice President for Operations Support and Controller.
2. This affidavit will certify, as required in §20:10:32:43:01, that CenturyLink will provide service throughout its designated service areas in a reasonable time to requesting customers where facilities already pass the requesting customer's premises.
3. This affidavit will certify, as required in §20:10:32:54 (6) that CenturyLink complies with the applicable service quality and consumer protection provisions in Commission rules.
4. This affidavit will certify, as required in §20:10:32:54 (7) that CenturyLink possesses the ability to function in emergency situations as set forth in §20:10:32:43:03.

This affidavit will certify that all federal USF High-Cost Fund support provided to CenturyLink has and will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

FURTHER THIS AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Dated this 26th day of June, 2017



Signature of David D. Cole
David D. Cole
Executive Vice President Operations Support and Controller

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 26th day of June, 2017 in Monroe, Louisiana.

Signature of Terri Guice
Notary Public

TERRI Guice
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: At death