

Via E-FILE June 24, 2014

Ms. Betty McCauley, Docketing Division Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street, 13th Floor Columbus, OH 43215-0573

Re: CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink Tariff Filing Case No. 90-5041-TP-TRF and Case No. 14-1134-TP-ATA

Dear Ms. McCauley:

Enclosed is a tariff filing in the above referenced case numbers for CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink. The following tariff sheet is enclosed:

Section 3, First Revised Sheet 6

The purpose of the filing is to revise the late payment charges.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please call me or Josh Motzer at (614) 221-5354.

Sincerely,

/s/ Debra A. Levy

Debra A. Levy

Enclosures

cc: Josh Motzer Ann Prockish

OH 14-04

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The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM

(Effective: 01/20/2011)

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In the Matter of the Application of CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink to Revise the Late Payment Charges.

TRF Docke	et No. <u>90-5041-TP-TRF</u>	
Case No.	14-1134 -TP-ATA	
NOTE: Unles	ss you have reserved a Case #, leave the "Case No" fi	ields
BLANK.		

Name of Registrant(s) <u>CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc.</u>			
DBA(s) of Registrant(s) <u>CenturyLink</u>			
Address of Registrant(s) 100 CenturyLink Drive, Monroe, LA 71203			
Company Web Address www.centurylink.com			
Regulatory Contact Person(s) Josh Motzer	Phone <u>614-221-5354</u>	Fax	<u>614-224-3902</u>
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address <u>Josh.Motzer@centuryl</u>	ink.com		
Contact Person for Annual Report Ken Buchan		Phon	e <u>318-362-1538</u>
Address (if different from above) 100 CenturyLink Drive, Monroe, L	A 71203		
Consumer Contact Information Donna Powell		Phon	e <u>866-883-7206</u>
Address (if different from above)			
Motion for protective order included with filing? Yes X No			
Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? Types X No [Note: Waiver(s)]	vers may toll any automati	c timef	rame.]

Notes:

Section I and II are Pursuant to Chapter <u>4901:1-6 OAC</u>

Section III – Carrier to Carrier is Pursuant to 4901:1-7 OAC, and Wireless is Pursuant to 4901:1-6-24 OAC. Section IV – Attestation

(1) Indicate the Carrier Type and the reason for submitting this form by checking the boxes below.

(2) For requirements for various applications, see the identified section of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4901 and/or the supplemental application form noted.

(3) Information regarding the number of copies required by the Commission may be obtained from the Commission's web site at <u>www.puco.ohio.gov</u> under the docketing information system section, by calling the docketing division at 614-466-4095, or by visiting the docketing division at the offices of the Commission.

(4) An Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) offering basic local exchange service (BLES) outside its traditional service area should choose CLEC designation when proposing to offer BLES outside its traditional service area or when proposing to make changes to that service.

All Filings that result in a change to one or more tariff pages require, at a minimum, the following exhibits.

Exhibit	Description:
А	The tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s) as they exist before the change(s)
В	The Tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s), reflecting the change, with the change(s) marked in the
	right margin.
С	A short description of the nature of the change(s), the intent of the change(s), and the customers affected.
D	A copy of the notice provided to customers, along with an affidavit that the notice was provided according to
	the applicable rule(s).

Section I – Part I - Common Filings

Carrier Type Other (explain below)	For Profit ILEC	Not For Profit ILEC	
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment		ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap.	$\Box ZTA 1-6-14(F)$ (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)	ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)	$\Box ZTA 1-6-14(H)$ (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	TRF <u>1-6-14(F)</u> (0 day Notice)	$\Box \text{ TRF } \underline{1-6-14(F)(4)} \\ (0 \text{ day Notice})$	TRF <u>1-6-14(G)</u> (0 day Notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	$ \square BLS 1-6-14 (C)(1)(c) (Auto 30 days) $		
Change in boundary	ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			TRF <u>1-6-08(G)</u> (0 day)
BLES withdrawal			C ZTA <u>1-6-25(B)</u> (0 day Notice)
<u>Other*</u> (explain)			

Section I – Part II – Customer Notification Offerings Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-7 OAC

Type of Notice	Direct Mail	Bill Insert	Bill Notation	Electronic Mail	
15-day Notice					
30-day Notice			\boxtimes		
Date Notice Sent: Messaging began with customer bills issued on November 15, 2013.					

Section I – Part III – IOS Offerings Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-22 OAC

IOS	Introduce New	Tariff Change	Price Change	Withdraw

Section II – Part I – Carrier Certification - Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-08, 09 & 10 OAC

Certification	ILEC	CLEC	Carrier's Not	CESTC	CETC
Certification	(Out of Territory)		Offering BLES		
* See Supplemental	ACE <u>1-6-08</u>	ACE <u>1-6-08</u>	ACE <u>1-6-</u> 08	ACE <u>1-6-</u> 10	UNC <u>1-6-</u> 09
form	* (Auto 30- day)	*(Auto 30 day)	*(Auto 30 day)	(Auto 30 day)	*(Non-Auto)

*Supplemental Certification forms can be found on the Commission Web Page.

Section II – Part II – Certificate Status & Procedural

Certificate Status	ILEC	CLEC	Carrier's Not Offering BLES
Abandon all Services		ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)	ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	$\Box \text{ ACN } \underline{1-6-29(B)}$ (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	$\Box \text{ ACO } \underline{1-6-29(E)}$ (Auto 30 days)	$\Box \text{ ACO } \underline{1-6-29(E)}$ (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)

* Other exhibits may be required under the applicable rule(s). ACN, ACO, AMT, ATC, ATR and CIO applications see <u>the 4901:1-6-29 Filing Requirements on the Commission's Web Page</u> for a complete list of exhibits.

Section III – Carrier to Carrier (Pursuant to 4901:1-7), and Wireless (Pursuant to 4901:1-6-24)

Carrier to Carrier	ILEC	CLEC
Interconnection agreement, or amendment to	□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u>	□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u>
an approved agreement	(Auto 90 day)	(Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)	ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 day)	ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 day)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier	UNC <u>1-7-04</u> or 05	
suspension or modification	(Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole	\Box UNC 1-7-23(B)	
Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights-	(Non-Auto)	
of-Way.		
	RCC	□ NAG
Wireless Providers See <u>4901:1-6-24</u>	[Registration &	[Interconnection
	Change in Operations]	Agreement or

Registrant hereby attests to its compliance with pertinent entries and orders issued by the Commission.

AFFIDAVIT

Compliance with Commission Rules

I am an officer/agent of the applicant corporation, CenturyLink, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

Debra A. Levy

Please Check ALL that apply:

 \square I attest that these tariffs comply with all applicable rules for the state of Ohio. I understand that tariff notification filings do not imply Commission approval and that the Commission's rules as modified and clarified from time to time, supersede any contradictory provisions in our tariff. We will fully comply with the rules of the state of Ohio and understand that noncompliance can result in various penalties, including the suspension of our certificate to operate within the state of Ohio.

I attest that customer notices accompanying this filing form were sent to affected customers, as specified in Section II, in accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-7, Ohio Administrative Code.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on June 24, 2014 at Overland Park, Kansas

* /s/ Debra A. Levy, Tariff Analyst

June 24, 2014

• This affidavit is required for every tariff-affecting filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.

VERIFICATION

I, Debra A. Levy, verify that I have utilized the Telecommunications Filing Form for most proceedings provided by the Commission and that all of the information submitted here, and all additional information submitted in connection with this case, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

*/s/ Debra A. Levy, Tariff Analyst June 24, 2014 *Verification is required for every filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.

Send your completed Application Form, including all required attachments as well as the required number of copies, to:

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Attention: Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215-3793 Or Make such filing electronically as directed in Case No 06-900-AU-WVR

Section 3

P.U.C.O. NO. 12 GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF

Original Sheet 6

SERVICE CHARGES

3.6 Restoration Charges

When the service of a customer has been temporarily denied for non-payment in accordance with Section 1.2.9 but the contract has not been terminated or the order to remove service has not been issued and completed, such service will be restored upon payment of \$10.00. In case service has been denied for non-payment of charges due, in addition to the restoration of service charge, the customer will be required to pay all the last past due current exchange bill at the time of restoration of service.

3.7 Late Payment Charge

A late payment charge of 2.50 percent applies to each customer when the previous month's bill has not been paid in full, leaving an unpaid balance carried forward. The 2.50 percent charge is applied to the total unpaid amount carried forward and is included in the total amount due on the current bill.

If payment for a current bill is received by the Company before the bill's due date, but for technical or other reasons the payment is not applied to the customer's account prior to the issuance of a subsequent bill, the customer shall not be liable for that portion of any unpaid balance attributable to a Late Payment Charge.

A customer shall not be liable for any Late Payment Charge applicable to a disputed portion of that customer's bill, so long as the customer pays the undisputed portion of the bill and enters into bona fide negotiations to resolve the dispute.

Agencies of the Federal government are exempt from the Late Payment Charge.

3.8 Returned Check Handling Charge

Charge per check returned

Current/Max Nonrecurring <u>Charge</u>

\$ 25.00

Issued: April 29, 2011

Effective: May 1, 2011

CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink By Duane Ring, Vice President LaCrosse, Wisconsin In accordance with Case No.: 90-5010-TP-TRF Issued by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

EXHIBIT B

P.U.C.O. NO. 12 GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF

Section 3 First Revised Sheet 6 **Cancels Original Sheet 6**

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3.7 Late Payment Charge

A late payment charge of **\$6.00 or 3%**, whichever is greater, applies to each residence customer and \$11.00 or 3%, whichever is greater, applies to each business customer when the previous month's bill has not been paid in full, leaving an unpaid balance carried forward. The charge is applied to the total unpaid amount carried forward and is included in the total amount (C) due on the current bill.

If payment for a current bill is received by the Company before the bill's due date, but for technical or other reasons the payment is not applied to the customer's account prior to the issuance of a subsequent bill, the customer shall not be liable for that portion of any unpaid balance attributable to a Late Payment Charge.

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3.8 Returned Check Handling Charge

Current/Max Nonrecurring Charge

\$ 25.00

Charge per check returned

Issued: June 24, 2014

Effective: August 1, 2014

CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink By Bill Hanchey, Vice President Wake Forest, NC

In accordance with Case No.: 90-5010-TP-TRF In accordance with Case No. 14-1134-TP-ATA Issued by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

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EXHIBIT C

The purpose of this tariff filing is to modify the late payment charges by increasing the percentage of the charge and increasing the minimum amount of the charge. Today, the amount of the late payment charge is calculated as 2.5% of the balance due.

Effective August 1, 2014, the amount of the late payment charge will be calculated as 3% of the balance due or \$6, whichever is greater, for residence customers and 3% of the balance due or \$11, whichever is greater, for business customers.

EXHIBIT D

CENTURYTEL OF OHIO, INC. d/b/a CENTURYLINK CUSTOMER NOTICE

In compliance with OAC 4901:1-6-07 Customer Notice Requirements, CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink will send the following bill messages on customer bills beginning July 1, 2014.

RESIDENCE

Our goal at CenturyLink is to provide you with the best possible service and timely information regarding changes that impact your account. Effective August 1, 2014, the late payment charge assessed on unpaid balances for your local service remaining after the due date will increase to the greater of \$6.00 or 3% of your unpaid balance. Please disregard any previous notice with an effective date of July 18th. If you have any questions, please contact a Customer Care Representative at the telephone number printed on your bill. Thank you for choosing CenturyLink for your communication needs—we value you as our customer.

BUSINESS

Our goal at CenturyLink is to provide you with the best possible service and timely information regarding changes that impact your account. Effective August 1, 2014, the late payment charge assessed on unpaid balances for your local service remaining after the due date will increase to the greater of \$11 or 3% of your unpaid balance. Please disregard any previous notice with an effective date of July 18th. If you have any questions, please contact a Customer Care Representative at the telephone number printed on your bill. Thank you for choosing CenturyLink for your communication needs—we value you as our customer.

CUSTOMER NOTICE AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF: KANSAS

SS:

COUNTY OF: JOHNSON

AFFIDAVIT

I, Debra A. Levy, am an authorized agent of the applicant corporation, CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf. I attest that customer notices accompanying this affidavit will be sent to affected customers through bill messages beginning July 1, 2014, in accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-07 (C), Ohio Administrative Code. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on June 24, 2014, Overland Park, Kansas 66211

Debra A. Levy

Subscribed and sworn to before me this <u>24th day of June, 2014</u> (Date)

alinda K. Josep

Notary Public My Commission Expires: October 19, 2014 Notary Public State of Kansas Linda K. Joseph My Appt. Exp. 10/19/14



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Case No(s). 90-5041-TP-TRF, 14-1134-TP-ATA

Summary: Tariff In the Matter of CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink to Revise the Late Payment Charges electronically filed by Ms. Debra A Levy on behalf of CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink