



August 15, 2016

Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Barcy McNeal, 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
Case No. 90-5010-TP-TRF and Case No. 16-1701-TP- ATA

Dear Ms. McNeal:

Attached for filing, please find the following tariff revisions for CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink's Tariff:

Section 7, Second Revised Sheet 1

Pursuant to FCC 15-71, adopted June 18, 2015, Lifeline rule changes became effective on February 17, 2016. Under the revised rules, as of August 15, 2016, Carriers will no longer receive Lifeline reimbursement for any wholesale services to resellers, and incumbent LEC's are no longer required to offer their Lifeline services to resellers. This filing proposes changes to tariff provisions, compliant with these rule changes.

This tariff sheet is filed with an August 15, 2016 issue date and an effective date of August 15, 2016.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Zarneisha Dixon".

Zarneisha Dixon

cc: Joshua Motzer, Centurylink

OH 16-09 (UT)

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The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM

(Effective: 9-2-2015)

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It does not replace or supersede Commission rules in any way.

In the Matter of the Application of CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc.)
d/b/a CenturyLink to revise tariff to comply with FCC Lifeline)
order.)
)

TRF Docket No. 90-5010-TP-TRF

Case No. 16-1701-**TP-** ATA

NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the "Case No" fields BLANK.

Name of Registrant(s) CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc.

DBA(s) of Registrant(s) CenturyLink

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Motion for protective order included with filing? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? ☐ Yes ☒ No [Note: Waivers may toll any automatic timeframe.]

Notes:

Section I and II are Pursuant to Chapter [4901:1-6](#) OAC.

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 www.puco.ohio.gov 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:
A	The tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s) as they exist before the change(s)
B	The Tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s), reflecting the change, with the change(s) marked in the right margin.
C	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 <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For Profit ILEC	<input type="checkbox"/> Not For Profit ILEC	<input type="checkbox"/> CLEC
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(H) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(H) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(H) (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(H) (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(I) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(I) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(I) (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap.	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-14(F) (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-14(H) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-14(H) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-14(H) (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-27(C) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-27(C) (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-14(F) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-14(F)(4) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-14(G) (0 day Notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	<input type="checkbox"/> BLS 1-6-14 (C)(1)(c) (Auto 30 days)		
Change in boundary	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB 1-6-32 (Auto 14 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB 1-6-32 (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-08(G) (0 day)
BLES withdrawal			<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-25(B) (0 day Notice)
Other*			

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 15-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 30-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date Notice Sent:				

Section I – Part III –IOS Offerings Pursuant to Chapter [4901:1-6-22 OAC](#)

IOS	Introduce New	Tariff Change	Price Change	Withdraw
<input type="checkbox"/> IOS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Certification	ILEC (Out of Territory)	CLEC	Telecommunications Service Provider Not Offering Local	CESTC	CETC
* See Supplemental form	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE 1-6-08 * (Auto 30- day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE 1-6-08 * (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE 1-6-08 * (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE 1-6-10 (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC 1-6-09 * (Non-Auto)

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

Section II – Part II – Certificate Status & Procedural

Certificate Status	ILEC	CLEC	Telecommunications Service Provider Not Offering Local
Abandon all Services		<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-26 (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-26 (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN 1-6-29(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN 1-6-29(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-29(C) (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO 1-6-29(E) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO 1-6-29(E) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-29(C) (0 day Notice)
Merger *	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT 1-6-29(E) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT 1-6-29(E) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-29(C) (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC 1-6-29(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC 1-6-29(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-29(C) (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR 1-6-29(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR 1-6-29(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-29(C) (0 day Notice)

* Other exhibits may be required under the applicable rule(s). ACN, ACO, AMT, ATC, ATR and CIO applications see [the 4901:1-6-29 Filing Requirements on the Commission's Web Page](#) 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 an approved agreement	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG 1-7-07 (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG 1-7-07 (Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB 1-7-09 (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB 1-7-09 (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-7-14 (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-7-14 (Auto 30 days)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC 1-7-04 or 05 (Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights-of-Way.	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-3-04 (Auto 30 days)	
Wireless Providers See 4901:1-6-24	<input type="checkbox"/> RCC [Registration & Change in Operations]	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG [Interconnection Agreement or

Section IV. – Attestation

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.


Please Check ALL that apply:

☒ 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 August 15, 2016, 2016 at Monroe, Louisiana

*/s/ , Regulatory Operations Analyst

August 15, 2016

- *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, Zarneisha Dixon 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/ , Regulatory Operations Analyst

August 15, 2016

**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

EXHIBIT A

CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink
d/b/a CenturyLink

Section 7

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

First Revised Sheet 1
Cancels Original Sheet 1

LIFELINE

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7. LIFELINE

CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink shall provide Lifeline service as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 54.401(a) on a non-discriminatory basis to all qualifying low-income customers. CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink's Lifeline service offering shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, including, but not limited to, 47 C.F.R. Part 54, Subpart E; the FCC's Lifeline reform order (Report and Order released February 6, 2012, WC Docket No. 11-42, et. al) and any subsequent clarifying orders; Section 4927.13, Revised Code; Rule 4901:1-6-19, Ohio Administrative Code; and, the Commission's nontraditional Lifeline service order (Finding and Order adopted May 23, 2012, Case No. 10-2377-TP-COI) and any subsequent entries and/or orders.

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Issued: June 11, 2012

Effective: June 11, 2012

CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink
By Todd Schafer, Region President
Wake Forest, North Carolina

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

EXHIBIT B

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Pursuant to FCC order 15-71, adopted June 18, 2015, the Company does not provide Lifeline discounted service to resellers effective August 15, 2016.

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Issued: August 15, 2016

Effective: August 15, 2016

CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink

In accordance with Case No.: 90-5010-TP-TRF
and Case No. 16-1701-TP-ATA

By Bill Hanchey, Vice President
Wake Forest, North Carolina

Issued by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

EXHIBIT C

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Summary: Tariff FCC Lifeline Rule Changes (FCC 15-71) electronically filed by Mrs. Zarneisha Dixon on behalf of CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc d/b/a CenturyLinik