



**Via E-FILE**

May 16, 2018

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  
Case No. 90-5010-TP-TRF and Case No. 18-0787-TP-ZTA

Dear Ms. McCauley:

Enclosed for filing is CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink's tariff to increase Business and Residential/Church Initial Line rates. This filing also reflects the new maximum rates for these services.

Section 2, Seventh Revised Sheet 1  
Section 2, Second Revised Sheet 3

These tariff sheets are filed with a May 16, 2018 issue date and an effective date of May 18, 2018. If you have any questions regarding this filing, please call me or Mr. Joshua Motzer at (614) 221-5354.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Zaneisha Dixon".

Zaneisha Dixon

Enclosures

cc: Joshua Motzer, CenturyLink

OH 18-03 (CT)

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# EXHIBIT A

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

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

Section 2  
Sixth Revised Sheet 1  
Cancels Fifth Revised Sheet 1

### BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### 2. Local Exchange Service

##### 2.1 General

- a. The Company furnishes local exchange service in the following exchange areas: Avon Lake, Avon, Lorain, Amherst, Vermilion and Birmingham.
- b. Maps of those areas are on file with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.
- c. Each exchange service customer is entitled and enabled to make and receive calls on a local message basis (i.e., without the application of toll charges) as follows:
  - (1) to make calls to all stations in all exchange areas of the Company; and
  - (2) to receive calls from all customer stations in exchange areas of the Company.

##### 2.2 Monthly Local Exchange Service Rates

###### 2.2.1 Application of Rates

The following rates apply to all grades of main station local exchange service furnished in all exchanges by the Company.

###### 2.2.2 Rates

Local Exchange Service <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Current Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Maximum Monthly Rate</u>	
a. Residential/Church <sup>(3)</sup>			
Initial Line	<b>\$17.55</b>	<b>\$18.80</b>	(l)
b. Business <sup>(3)</sup>			
Initial Line	<b>34.50</b>	<b>35.75</b>	(l)
c. Payphone <sup>(2)</sup>			
Initial Line	14.32	14.32	

<sup>(1)</sup> All rates are for access lines only.

<sup>(2)</sup> The rates for payphones are governed by 96-1310-TP-COI.

<sup>(3)</sup> The rates for basic local exchange service (BLES) as defined in OAC 4901:1-6-14 are capped at an annual increase of no more than \$1.25 per line.

Issued: May 12, 2017  
CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink  
By Bill Hanchey, Vice President  
Wake Forest, North Carolina  
OH 17-01

Effective: May 15, 2017  
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and 17-1204-TP-ZTA  
Issued by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

# EXHIBIT A

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

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

Section 2  
First Revised Sheet 3  
Cancels Original Sheet 3

### BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### 2. Local Exchange Service (Continued)

##### 2.4 Competitive Exchanges

##### 2.4.1 Pricing Flexibility

All of the Company exchanges have been deemed competitive. The pricing flexibility accorded them has been defined in 4901:1-6-14.

<u>Competitive Exchanges</u>	<u>Approval Date</u>	<u>Anniversary Date</u>	<u>Last Rate Increase</u>	(N)
Amherst	November 26, 2011	November 26, <b>2017</b>	<b>May 15, 2017</b>	(C)(N)
Avon	November 26, 2011	November 26, <b>2017</b>	<b>May 15, 2017</b>	
Avon Lake	November 26, 2011	November 26, <b>2017</b>	<b>May 15, 2017</b>	
Birmingham	November 26, 2011	November 26, <b>2017</b>	<b>May 15, 2017</b>	
Lorain	November 26, 2011	November 26, <b>2017</b>	<b>May 15, 2017</b>	
Vermilion	November 26, 2011	November 26, <b>2017</b>	<b>May 15, 2017</b>	(C)(N)

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

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b. Business <sup>(3)</sup>			
Initial Line	<b>35.00</b>	<b>37.00</b>	(l)
c. Payphone <sup>(2)</sup>			
Initial Line	14.32	14.32	

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GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF

BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

2. Local Exchange Service (Continued)

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## **EXHIBIT C**

This filing establishes the maximum rates that are currently allowed under OAC 4901:1-6-14 while also increasing the current line rates for Residential and Business BLES.

# 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 April 18, 2018.

### **Ohio Business Rate Change Bill Message T120**

Effective May 18, 2018, the monthly rate for all one-party business lines will increase by \$.50. Joint User Service Business lines, Key and PBX service will increase by \$1.25. The \$.40 monthly charge for Touch Tone will be reduced to \$0. Business directory listings will increase by \$1.00. Simple Choice One Business bundle will increase by \$.50. If you have any questions, please contact a Customer Care Representative at the telephone number printed in the Important News section of this bill.

### **Ohio Residential Rate Change Bill Message T120**

Effective May 18, 2018, the monthly rate for all one-party residence lines and Church lines will increase by \$1.25. The monthly rate for the following directory listings will increase by \$1.00: Joint User, Additional and Alternate Call Number. The following bundles will increase up to \$2.00: Basic Bundle, Premium Bundle, Economy Pack, Economy Pak Plus, Economy Pak Lite, Simple Choice One, Simple Choice Two, Simple Choice, Simple Choice Unlimited and Additional Line with Call Waiting. If you have any questions, please contact a Customer Care Representative at 800.943.8809.



CUSTOMER NOTICE AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF: KANSAS

SS:

COUNTY OF: JOHNSON

AFFIDAVIT

I, Zarneisha Dixon, 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 were sent to affected customers through bill message beginning April 18, 2018 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 April 17 2018, New Century, Kansas 66031



Zarneisha Dixon

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018

(Date)



Notary Public

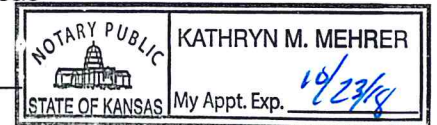
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Notary Public State of Kansas



Kathryn M. Mehrer

My Appt. Exp. \_\_\_\_\_



*The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio*  
**TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM**

(Effective: 9-2-2015)

This form is intended to be used with most types of required filings. It provides check boxes with rule references for the most common types of filings.  
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 increase Business and )  
Residential/Church Initial Line rates. This filing also reflects )  
the new maximum rates for these services. )  
cap. )

TRF Docket No. 90-5010-TP-TRF  
Case No. 18-0787-TP-ZTA

**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

Address of Registrant(s) 100 CenturyLink Drive, Monroe, LA 71203

Company Web Address [www.centurylink.com/tariffs](http://www.centurylink.com/tariffs)

Regulatory Contact Person(s) Josh Motzer

Phone 614-221-5354

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Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address [Josh.Motzer@CenturyLink.com](mailto:Josh.Motzer@CenturyLink.com)

Contact Person for Annual Report Ken Buchan

Phone 318-362-1538

Address (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

Consumer Contact Information Donna Powell

Phone 800-788-3500

Address (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

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](http://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

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

## 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Date Notice Sent:</b>				

## 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	Telecommunication s Service Provider Not Offering Local	CESTC	CETC
* See Supplemental form	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> * (Auto 30- day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> *(Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> *(Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-10</a> (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-6-09</a> *(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 <a href="#">1-6-26</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <a href="#">1-6-26</a> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (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 <a href="#">1-7-07</a> (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG <a href="#">1-7-07</a> (Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <a href="#">1-7-09</a> (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <a href="#">1-7-09</a> (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-7-14</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-7-14</a> (Auto 30 days)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-7-04</a> or 05 (Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights-of-Way.	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-3-04</a> (Auto 30 days)	
<b>Wireless Providers</b> See <a href="#">4901:1-6-24</a>	<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.

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**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 May 16, 2018 at New Century, Kansas

\*/s/ *Zw Dixon*, Regulatory Compliance & Analytics Analyst

May 16, 2018

- *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.*

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**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/ *Zw Dixon*, Regulatory Compliance & Analytics Analyst

May 16, 2018

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***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***

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