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*Via Email:
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Gary Widerburg
Commission Administrator
Utah Public Service Commission
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Salt Lake City, UT 84111

**RE: Docket No. 22-999-05 ETC Recertification
Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC (SAC – 505107)
2022 Federal ETC Filing**

Dear Mr. Widerburg:

On November 18, 2011 the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) released its *USF/ICC Transformation Order* in WC Docket No. 10-90 et al. With that Order, the FCC began a transition to a national framework for certification of Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (“ETCs”) and set forth a standard set of information that all ETCs must file with the FCC typically by July 1st of each year. This year the FCC has delayed filing pending Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) approval of changes to the Form 481. The Order also required ETCs to provide the same information to the respective state commissions.

Annual ETC reporting requirements for recipients of federal high-cost support are contained in 47 C.F.R. § 54.313 of the FCC’s rules. For the reporting of most of the data and certifications required by 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.422, the FCC has developed a reporting template, Form 481, to be utilized by ETCs.

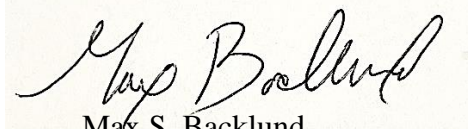
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Beginning with the filing due in July 2018, the FCC centralized filing of the FCC Form 481 such that one filing is made with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and ETCs no longer file duplicate copies of FCC Form 481 with the FCC and with states, U.S. Territories, and/or Tribal governments. These filings are now provided to USAC through their online “E-File” portal and are available to state commissions through the portal. State commissions can contact USAC for additional information on obtaining FCC Form 481 information from the portal.

Consistent with past years, please certify to the FCC pursuant to 47 C.F.R § 54.314 by no later than October 1, 2022 for Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC (SAC – 505107) to continue receiving Federal high cost support in Utah.

Please feel free to contact me or Ken Buchan (318) 362-1538 with any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Max Backlund", is written over a light beige rectangular background.

Max S. Backlund

State Government Affairs Director