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Julie P. Orchard
Commission Administrator
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Heber M. Wells Building, 4th Floor
160 East 300 South
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RE: DPU Semi-Annual Report

Dear Julie:

During the Qwest and CenturyLink merger proceeding (Docket No. 10-049-16), the companies entered into a settlement agreement with the Utah Division of Public Utilities (DPU). The DPU settlement agreement was approved by the Utah Public Service Commission (PSC) in its final order issued on January 04, 2011. Pursuant to the settlement with the DPU, CenturyLink agreed to file both semi-annual and annual reports containing the information specified in the agreement.

Attached to this letter is the first semi-annual DPU merger report which contains both confidential and highly confidential information.¹ The DPU settlement agreement recognized that these filings are subject to confidentiality afforded materials containing trade secrets that are considered protected records under the Utah Government Records Access Management Act (“GRAMA”). The confidential information is properly marked and printed on yellow paper and the highly confidential information is properly marked and printed on pink paper. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Attachments – Confidential and Highly Confidential information

cc Bill Duncan – Utah Division of Public Utilities

¹ The semi-annual report responds to merger conditions D.1 through D.4 of the DPU settlement.