



August 9, 2016

Public Service Commission of Utah
160 East 300 South, 4th Floor
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

RE: A.L. 2016-P10

Dear Commissioners:

Attached for your notification are changes to the Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC Exchange and Network Services Price List. The following pages are attached:

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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 filing also clarifies references and standardizes language regarding eligibility of Lifeline applicants who reside on federally recognized Tribal Lands. These revisions are administrative only and do not reflect changes in eligibility or benefits available to Tribal Lands applicants. The revised language is for the purpose of consistently presenting the conditions of Tribal Land eligibility across all CenturyLink tariffs.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dawn Salaver".

Dawn Salaver

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A. Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program (Cont'd)

4. Terms and Conditions

- a. The Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program discount will begin with the date the Company receives a valid application from the customer or when new service is established for a qualifying customer. The credit will be prorated on the basis of a 30-day month from the effective date of the customer's application.
- b. Nonrecurring change charges as specified in 5.2.A.6., preceding, are applicable.

EXCEPTION: Customers will receive a waiver of the nonrecurring charge for changing the type of local exchange service to this service, or changing from flat rate service to message or measured service, or vice versa, but only once during any 12 month period.

- c. Security deposit requirements will be waived for customers of this program unless such customer has had a prior credit problem with, or has an outstanding bill with any local exchange carrier.
- d. Extended Area Service charges are not subject to the discount.
- e. A customer is not eligible for Lifeline from the Company if he/she is currently receiving Lifeline credit for service provided by another Eligible Telecommunications Carrier. The program is limited to one federal benefit per household which includes both wireline and wireless service.
- f. **Pursuant to FCC Order 15-71, adopted June 18, 2015, the Company no longer provides Lifeline discounted service to resellers as of August 15, 2016.**

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A. Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program (Cont'd)

5. Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program Monthly Credits

a. Federal Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program Credit

	CREDIT USOC	MONTHLY CREDIT	
• Federal Credit[2]	[1]	\$9.25	(T) (D)

b. State Telephone Assistance Program Credit

	CREDIT USOC	MONTHLY CREDIT	
• State Credit[3]	ASGSX	\$3.50	

[1] The FCC Lifeline Program consists of monthly federal support of \$9.25 (ASGFX ~~(\$6.41)~~ + ASGF2 ~~(\$2.84)~~). The FCC Lifeline support amount cannot exceed \$9.25. See Tribal Lifeline for expanded federal lifeline benefits available to residents living on Tribal Lands. (T)

[2] Credit rates effective July 1, 2016.

[3] The monthly credit (ASGSX) reflects the appropriate credit for the Utah Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program.

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B. Tribal Lifeline

1. Description

Tribal Lifeline provides additional lifeline support of up to \$25.00, in addition to the baseline Federal Lifeline support qualifying low-income individuals living on Tribal Lands **defined in Title 47 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 54.400, paragraph (e).**

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2. Eligibility

- a. Tribal Lifeline support is provided to applicants who meet the eligibility requirements established with the guideline of the Utah Low Income Telephone Assistance Program described in 5.2.6.A.
- b. In addition to the requirements in A.2.a., and B.2.b., preceding, low-income residents of Federally recognized Tribal Lands may be eligible for additional lifeline support of up to \$25.00 with participation in one of the following programs:
 - Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) general assistance program
 - Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations
 - Head Start programs (under income qualifying eligibility provision only)
 - Tribally administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
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B. Tribal Lifeline (Cont'd)

3. Terms and Conditions

- a. **Applicants residing on Tribal Lands must sign under penalty of perjury that they reside on a reservation, as defined in Title 47 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 54.400(e) and received benefits from at least one of the programs referenced above or have an annual household income at or below 135% of the poverty level, as determined by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and as approved by the State Treasurer. Tribal Lands Applicants also must agree to notify the Company if they cease to participate in the program.**

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In addition to identifying the program or programs from which that customer receives benefits, the customer must also agree to notify the Company if that customer ceases to participate in the qualifying program or programs.

- b. Tribal Lifeline benefits apply to the primary flat local residential access line, including Extended Area Service (EAS), mileage charges, zone charges, or other non-discretionary charges associated with basic residential service. The benefit may not bring the basic local residential access line rate below \$1.00 per month.
- c. A customer is not eligible for Lifeline from the Company if he/she is currently receiving Lifeline credit for service provided by another Eligible Telecommunications Carrier. The program is limited to one federal benefit per household which includes both wireline and wireless service.