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-== MEMORANDUM ==-

To: Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities
Chris Parker, Director
Bill Duncan, Telecommunications / Water Manager
Casey J. Coleman, Utility Technical Consultant

Date: April 19, 2017

Re: In the Matter of CenturyLink's Petition for Modification to its Performance Assurance Plan Reports to the Commission per Docket No. 17-049-03.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Division recommends the Commission approve the reporting changes requested by CenturyLink.

BACKGROUND:

On March 24, 2017 CenturyLink filed a petition with the Commission requesting modification of its Qwest Performance Assurance Plan ("PAP") Reports. CenturyLink is requesting that the existing monthly reporting requirement be modified such that CenturyLink is only required to file a report with the Commission in a month where it makes a PAP Tier 1 payment.

The Division has reviewed the submitted information by CenturyLink. The proposed changes to the PAP monthly reports would streamline the process for CenturyLink while not impacting how CenturyLink interacts with Competitive Local Exchange Carriers. The Division agrees with CenturyLink that providing a report only on the months when a PAP Tier 1 payment is made will also reduce the amount of review required by the Commission and Division.

As of the date of this memo, the Division is not aware of any party opposing this petition. Additionally the Division believes adoption of the proposed reporting changes has merit for CenturyLink, the Commission and the Division. Therefore the Division recommends the Commission grant the petition

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