

8. PRIVATE LINE SERVICE OFFERINGS

8.6 OPTICAL WAVELENGTH SERVICE [1] [2]

A. General

1. Description

Optical Wavelength Service is a wavelength (Lambda) solution that addresses a range of dense wave division multiplexing (DWDM) transport applications including Metro and Inter-City applications. Optical Wavelength Service[1],[2] offers 10GbE LAN PHY unprotected and Protected wavelength services for customers who need high capacity transport and want greater control and visibility of their broadband services. Optical Wavelength Service supports synchronous optical network (SONET) and synchronous digital hierarchy (SDH) protocols.

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[2] Effective August 18, 2023, Optical WaveLength Service (OWS) interfaces (OC3, OC12, OC48, OC192, Gigabit Ethernet, 10G WAN, 40G, OTU1 and OTU3) are grandfathered. Availability to current customers who are not under contract is limited to circuits already in place at existing locations. Customers under existing contracts will be allowed to place new orders and moves only to the extent permitted by their contracts. When contracts expire, customers may retain their service at existing locations under a new contract or contract rates in effect at the time of the existing contract expiration will continue on a month-to-month basis. CenturyLink may, with 30 days' notice, change any OWS contract rates that are continued on MTM basis after contract expiration. The OWS service provided on a MTM basis can be terminated by either party upon 30 days' notice.

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2. Grant Programs (Issued May 15, 2024)

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The Company will not accept any OWS payments made with funds obtained through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) Grant Programs or similar grants that obligate the Company to provide certain information or perform certain functions, unless each of those functions and obligations is explicitly identified and agreed to by the parties in the Agreement or in an amendment to the Agreement. IIJA Programs include, but are not limited to, the Middle Mile Grant Program and the Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) Grant Program.

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3. Rates and Charges

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Rates and Charges for Optical Wavelength Service will be developed on an Individual Case Basis (ICB) arrangement in response to a bona fide request for service from a customer or prospective customer. ICB rates will be offered to customers in writing and will be made available to similarly situated customers.

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