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March 18, 2026

Barbara Bruno
Mayor of Springdale
Via Email (bbruno@springdale.utah.gov)

Re: *Investigation of Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC's Notice of Planned Discontinuance of Residential Voice Services in Springdale, Utah*, Docket No. 26-049-02

Dear Mayor Bruno,

As you know, the Public Service Commission (PSC) received your email on February 20, 2026, regarding a notice you received from CenturyLink concerning its intention to discontinue its legacy voice services in Springdale, Utah pending the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approval ("Discontinuance Letter"). As you further know, on February 26, 2026, the PSC issued a Notice of Investigatory Docket and Request to the Division of Public Utilities to Investigate and Advise ("PSC Notice"). The PSC Notice is self-explanatory.

On March 16, 2026, the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) submitted a response to the PSC Notice ("DPU Response"). We note that you were cc'd on the DPU Response and further note that you, and the Mayor of the Town of Rockville, Utah, have filed comments¹ with the FCC regarding CenturyLink's Discontinuance Letter.

As you can see from the DPU Response, DPU engaged in conversations with CenturyLink concerning the PSC Notice and the Discontinuance Letter, including, among other things, the impact of recent amendments to certain Utah telecommunication laws. DPU believes CenturyLink's actions in this matter are legally permissible and do not violate any Utah statute or rule. The DPU Response also provides, however, that CenturyLink must "(ii) continue to provide and maintain the

¹ Information relating to the FCC docket concerning CenturyLink's' application can be found at: [https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=\(proceedings.name:\(%2226-55%22\)\)](https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=(proceedings.name:(%2226-55%22)))

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basic residential service to existing locations described in Subsection (11)(b)(i) until the commission recognizes and adopts discontinuance findings under Subsection 54-8b-3(8).”² Thus, if the FCC grants CenturyLink’s discontinuance request, CenturyLink must then comply with this statutory provision as it relates to the PSC’s role in this process by requesting the PSC recognize and adopt the FCC’s action. If the PSC receives such a request, there will likely be a proceeding before the PSC regarding the relevant facts presented by CenturyLink before the FCC and will, as provided under Utah Code Ann. § 54-8b-3(8), require the PSC to “recognize and adopt the [FCC’s] discontinuance findings.”

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
PSC Secretary
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² DPU Response at 2, discussing Utah Code Ann. § 54-8b-2.3(11).