



June 17, 2013

Ms. Breanne Potter  
Asst Commission Secretary  
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada  
1150 East William Street  
Carson City, Nevada 89701-3109

Re: In re Joint Petition of Central Telephone Company dba CenturyLink and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for approval of Amendment No. 2 of the CMRS Interconnection Agreement for the State of Nevada Pursuant to Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Dear Ms. Potter:

Enclosed for filing is a Joint Petition for Approval of Amendment No. 2 of the CMRS Interconnection Agreement for the State of Nevada under Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 between Central Telephone Company dba CenturyLink ("CenturyLink") and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless. CenturyLink and Verizon Wireless submit the Amendment for the Commission's approval pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Also enclosed is a draft notice, pursuant to NAC 703.162, which is not required to be published in the newspaper per NRS 704.6877. A check in the amount of \$200 is also enclosed to cover the filing fee.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (702) 244-7318. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Stinar".

Linda Stinar  
Director Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA**

In re Joint Petition of Central Telephone	)	
Company d/b/a CenturyLink and Cellco	)	
Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for	)	Docket No. 13 -
approval of Amendment No. 2 of the CMRS	)	
Interconnection Agreement for the State	)	
of Nevada Pursuant to Section 252 of the	)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996.	)	

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**JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 OF THE CMRS  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT FOR THE STATE OF NEVADA UNDER  
SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996**

Central Telephone Company d/b/a CenturyLink and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless collectively referred to as the “Parties”), hereby petition the Public Utilities Commission (the “Commission”) for approval of Amendment No. 2 to the CMRS Interconnection Agreement for the State of Nevada, attached hereto as Attachment A (“Amendment No. 2”).


The Parties submit Amendment No. 2 for approval in accordance with the terms of Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the “Act”). The Parties request that the Commission approve Amendment No. 2 in accordance with the requirements of Section 252(e) of the Act by determining that the grounds for rejection of such an amendment set forth in Section 252 (e)(2)(A)(i) and Section 252 (e)(2)(A)(ii) of the Act are not applicable to Amendment No. 2. With respect to Section 252(e) (2) of the Act, the Parties assert that Amendment No. 2 does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier not a party to the Amendment No. 2. The implementation of Amendment No.2 is consistent with the public

interest, convenience, and necessity. Amendment No.2 does not violate any requirement of the Commission.

The Parties respectfully request that the Commission expeditiously approve the Amendment No. 2 consistent with the intent of the Act.


Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

**Cellco Partnership**  
**d/b/a Verizon Wireless**

By: 

Lance D. Murphy  
Member Technical Staff  
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**Central Telephone Company**  
**d/b/a CenturyLink**

By: 

Linda C. Stinar  
Director Regulatory Affairs  
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# Attachment A

**Amendment No. 2 to the CMRS Interconnection Agreement between  
Central Telephone Company d/b/a CenturyLink  
and  
Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless**

This Amendment ("Amendment") is to the CMRS Interconnection Agreement by and between Central Telephone Company d/b/a CenturyLink f/k/a Nevada Division of Central Telephone Company ("CenturyLink") and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless f/k/a Southwestco Wireless LP d/b/a Verizon Wireless, on behalf of itself and its wireless affiliates operating in the State of Nevada from time to time ("Verizon Wireless"). Verizon Wireless and CenturyLink are referenced together as the "Parties".

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the Parties or their predecessors in interest entered into a CMRS Interconnection Agreement for service in the State of Nevada dated May 1, 2001, that was approved by the Commission ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") adopted a bill and keep compensation methodology for non-access telecommunications traffic exchanged between a LEC and a CMRS Provider in its Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in Docket No. 01-92, *In the Matter of Developing an Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime*, released on November 18, 2011 and its Order on Reconsideration released on December 23, 2011 (collectively, the "FCC Order"); and

WHEREAS, prior to July 1, 2012, Verizon Wireless has requested to amend the Agreement based on the FCC Order; and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement based on the FCC Order with the terms and conditions contained herein.

**AGREEMENT**

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms, covenants and conditions contained in this Amendment and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

**Amendment Terms**

The Agreement is hereby amended by adding terms, conditions, and rates as set forth in this Amendment and Attachment 1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

By signature on this Amendment, the Parties have elected to modify existing contract terms of the Agreement in order to implement the applicable provisions of the above mentioned FCC Order.

**Effective Date**

The Parties agree to implement the provisions of this Amendment effective July 1, 2012.

**Further Amendments**

Except as modified herein, the provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. Except as provided in the Agreement, this Amendment may not be further amended or altered, and no waiver

of any provision thereof shall be effective, except by written instrument executed by an authorized representative of both Parties.

**Entire Agreement**

Other than the publicly filed Agreement and its Amendments, CenturyLink and Verizon Wireless have no agreement or understanding, written or oral, relating to the terms and conditions for interconnection.

The Parties intending to be legally bound have executed this Amendment as of the Amendment Effective Date, which may be in multiple counterparts, each of which is deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

**Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless**

**Central Telephone Company d/b/a CenturyLink**

  
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Signature

Walter L. Jones  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Printed/Typed

Area Vice President – Network  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

5/19/13  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

L. T. Christensen  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Printed/Typed

Director – Wholesale Contracts  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

6/12/13  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Attachment 1

Notwithstanding anything set forth in the Agreement to the contrary, the following terms and provisions shall govern the exchange of Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic, as defined in the FCC Order, between the Parties.

### 1. General.

- 1.1. "Bill and Keep" shall have the meaning set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 51.713.
- 1.2. "Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic" shall have the meaning set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 51.701(b) that is originated or terminated as wireless traffic by Verizon Wireless' end user or end users of other wireless carriers roaming on Verizon Wireless' network.
- 1.3. Verizon Wireless agrees that it will only route traffic from Verizon Wireless' wireless end users, or end users of other wireless carriers roaming on Verizon Wireless' network, to CenturyLink for termination to CenturyLink end users or as Transit Traffic destined for a third party. CenturyLink agrees that it will only route traffic from its own landline end users, or end users of local exchange carriers or CMRS providers with switches that subtend CenturyLink's Tandem Switch, to Verizon Wireless for termination to Verizon Wireless' own wireless end users.
- 1.4. All other terms not otherwise defined in this Amendment are as defined in the Agreement.

### 2. Intercarrier Compensation.

- 2.1. Bill and Keep shall apply to the exchange of Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic, solely when such traffic terminates to the end users of one of the Parties, or end users of other wireless carriers roaming on Verizon Wireless' network. This compensation arrangement shall supersede any previous usage-based terminating charges of:
  - 2.1.1. End Office Switching, Tandem Switching and/or Common Transport charges; or
  - 2.1.2. Any "FCC Opt-In Compensation" or equivalent charges assessed in accordance with the interim rates previously prescribed pursuant to the *Order on Remand and Report and Order*, FCC 01-131, CC Dockets No. 96-98 and 99-68, adopted April 18, 2001 and subsequent orders of the FCC.
- 2.2. Notwithstanding anything in this Amendment or in the Agreement to the contrary, Bill and Keep shall not apply to CenturyLink's compensation for Transit Service. Transit Service shall be subject to the Transit Rate that existed prior to this Amendment, and any adjustment to reciprocal compensation rate element(s) that are assessed by a Party for terminating Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic pursuant to the Order shall not apply for purposes of calculating the rate(s) to be charged by CenturyLink for providing a Transit Service.

### 3. Tandem Management.

- 3.1. When Transit Traffic originated by a third party is routed through a CenturyLink Tandem to Verizon Wireless, and the third party is not legally obligated to compensate CenturyLink for the

Transit Service provided in transporting the traffic to Verizon Wireless as a result of paragraph 999 of the FCC Order, then Verizon Wireless will either:

3.1.1. Establish direct interconnection with such third party; or

3.1.2. Pay the Transit Service charges for such traffic at the Transit Traffic rate set forth in the Agreement.

#### 4. Price Sheet Revisions

Description	State	
<b>Reciprocal Compensation</b>		
Local Traffic Termination- Per Minute of Use	Bill and Keep	NV
<b>Transit Traffic Rate</b>		
CMRS Originated Transit Service -Per Minute of Use	.001793	NV
Third Party Originated Transit Service (as described in Section 3.1 above) -Per Minute of Use	.001793	NV

5. Reservation of Rights. Notwithstanding anything in this Amendment or in the Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding the execution of this Amendment by the Parties, if as a result of any effective and unstayed decision, order, reconsideration or determination of any judicial or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction, any provisions in the FCC Order regarding the Bill-and-Keep arrangements for Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic are stayed, revised, modified, reversed or remanded, then the Parties agree to comply with all requirements of such applicable effective and unstayed decision, order, reconsideration or determination.



**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA  
DRAFT NOTICE**

**(Per NRS 704.6877, this notice is not required to be published in the newspaper)**

Pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (“NAC”) 703.162, the Commission requires that a draft notice be included with all applications, tariff filings, complaints and petitions. Please complete and include **ONE COPY** of this form with your filing. (Completion of this form may require the use of more than one page.)

**A title that generally describes the relief requested (see NAC 703.160(4)(a)):**

Joint Petition for approval of Amendment No. 2 of the CMRS Interconnection Agreement between Central Telephone Company d/b/a CenturyLink and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the State of Nevada under Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

**The name of the applicant, complainant, petitioner or the name of the agent for the applicant, complainant or petitioner (see NAC 703.160(4)(b)):**

Central Telephone Company d/b/a CenturyLink and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless.

**A brief description of the purpose of the filing or proceeding, including, without limitation, a clear and concise introductory statement that summarizes the relief requested or the type of proceeding scheduled AND the effect of the relief or proceeding upon consumers (see NAC 703.160(4)(c)):**

Central Telephone Company d/b/a CenturyLink and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless submit Amendment No. 2 to the CMRS Interconnection Agreement for approval in accordance with the terms of Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the “Act”). The implementation of the Amendment is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The Amendment does not violate any requirement of the Commission.

**A statement indicating whether a consumer session is required to be held pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute (“NRS”) 704.069(1)1:**

No consumer session is required to be held.

**If the draft notice pertains to a tariff filing, please include the tariff number AND the section number(s) or schedule number(s) being revised.**

Not applicable.

1 NRS 704.069 states in pertinent part:

1. The Commission shall conduct a consumer session to solicit comments from the public in any matter pending before the Commission pursuant to NRS 704.061 to 704.110 inclusive, in which:

(a) A public utility has filed a general rate application, an application to recover the increased cost of purchased fuel, purchased power, or natural gas purchased for resale or an application to clear its deferred accounts; and

(b) The changes proposed in the application will result in an increase in annual gross operating revenue, as certified by the applicant, in an amount that will exceed \$50,000 or 10 percent of the applicant’s annual gross operating revenue, whichever is less.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2013, served a copy of the Certificate of Service for the *Joint Petition for Approval of Amendment No. 2 of the CMRS Interconnection Agreement* for the State of Nevada under Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, between Central Telephone Company d/b/a CenturyLink and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless upon all parties:

### **Via Hand Delivery:**

Ms. Breanne Potter (original)  
Asst Commission Secretary  
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada  
9075 West Diablo Drive Suite 250  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89148

**I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing documents upon the following parties by either postage pre-paid U.S. Mail or electronic mail to:**

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**I hereby certify that I have this day served Document Available Notice by electronic transmission or postage pre-paid U.S. Mail to an acceptable location to the list established pursuant to NAC 703.296:**

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**I hereby certify the foregoing documents are being made available for inspection at website Internet address:** <http://puc.nv.gov/> and [http://www.centurylink.com/wholesale/clec\\_nv.html](http://www.centurylink.com/wholesale/clec_nv.html).

**The foregoing documents are available in electronic format or paper format by sending a request to:**

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CenturyLink  
6700 Via Austi Pkwy  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

Electronic: [linda.c.stinar@centurylink.com](mailto:linda.c.stinar@centurylink.com)



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Linda Stinar, an employee of Central Telephone  
Company dba CenturyLink

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA**

Joint Petition of Central Telephone Company d/b/a	)	
CenturyLink and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon	)	
Wireless for approval of Amendment No. 2 to their	)	Docket No. 13-06027
Commercial Mobile Radio Service ("CMRS")	)	
Interconnection Agreement pursuant to Section 252	)	
of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.	)	

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**NOTICE OF JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO A CMRS  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN TELECOMMUNICATION CARRIERS  
UNDER SECTION 252 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT  
AND  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF HEARING**

Central Telephone Company d/b/a CenturyLink and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (collectively, "Joint Petitioners") filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada ("Commission") a Joint Petition, designated as Docket No. 13-06027, for approval of Amendment No. 2 to their CMRS Interconnection Agreement pursuant to Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

This Notice serves only to notify the public that the Commission has received the above-referenced filing. It is the responsibility of interested persons to review the filing and monitor the proceedings to determine their desired levels of involvement based on how this matter may affect their unique situations. The details provided within this Notice are for informational purposes only and are not meant to be an all-inclusive overview of the filing.

Interested and affected persons may obtain a copy of the Joint Petition from the Commission and may file comments pertaining to the Joint Petition at either of the Commission's offices on or before MONDAY, JULY 22, 2013. Any comments must be simultaneously served on the Commission, the parties to the Agreement, the Regulatory Operations Staff of the Commission, and the Nevada Attorney General's Bureau of Consumer Protection. In response to the comments filed on or before MONDAY, JULY 22, 2013, the Joint

DOCUMENT REVIEW AND APPROVAL ROUTING		
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Petitioners may file reply comments and legal arguments on or before TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2013.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter and legal authority to conduct proceedings pursuant to the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") and the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC"), Chapters 703 and 704, including but not limited to NRS 704.040 and 704.120, NAC 703.290, and 47 United States Code ("U.S.C.") §252(e).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public HEARING in the above matter will be held as follows:

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 2013  
1:00 P.M.  
Hearing Room B  
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada  
1150 East William Street  
Carson City, NV 89701

Pursuant to NRS 703.320, if the Commission does not receive any adverse comments regarding the Joint Petition or a request for a hearing by MONDAY, JULY 22, 2013, the hearing will be cancelled.

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252(e) and NRS 704.120, the Commission will receive evidence pertaining to the issues raised by filed comments and any responses by Joint Petitioners regarding any dispute over the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252(e)(2)(A), the Commission may only reject a negotiated agreement, or any portion thereof, if it finds that (i) the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or (ii) the implementation of such agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.


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At the hearing, the Commission may also consider issues related to the provisions of 47 U.S.C. §251 and 252 and Chapters 703 and 704 of the NRS and NAC, may discuss public comments, and may make decisions on the procedural issues raised at the hearing.

In accordance with NRS 704.6877 and NAC 703.290, this Joint Petition is available at the Commission's website at: <http://puc.nv.gov>.

By the Commission,

  
BREANNE POTTER,  
Assistant Commission Secretary

Dated: Carson City, Nevada

6-24-13

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