

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

**In the Matter of Qwest Corporation dba
CenturyLink QC's Petition for Approval of
Non-Impaired Wire Center Lists Pursuant
to the Triennial Review Remand Order**

Docket No. TC13-109

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF INFORMATION

Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:41, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC
("CenturyLink") requests confidential treatment of information as follows:

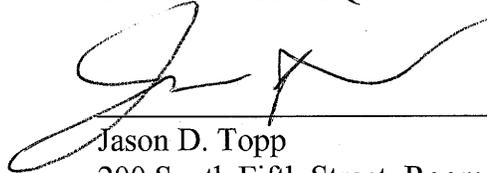
1. CenturyLink requests confidential protection and treatment of Attachments A-C to the Affidavit of Renée Albersheim attached as Appendix 1 to CenturyLink's Filing for Commission Approval of 2013 Additions to Non-Impaired Wire Center Designations, with Supporting Data, attached to this application. The attachments are marked as "Nonpublic Highly Confidential Information – Use Restricted Per Confidentiality Agreement."
2. The documents must be protected while in the possession of the Commission. When the Commission completes its review, all protected information must be returned to CenturyLink.
3. The person to be notified is Jason Topp, CenturyLink, 200 South Fifth Street, Room 2200, Minneapolis, MN 55402, telephone (651) 312-5364.
4. The claim for protection is based on ARSD 20:10:01:39 (4) and SDCL 37-29-1 (4).
5. Highly Confidential Attachment A, Collocations by Wire Center, details the Tier designation by wire center and details the number and identity of the fiber-based

collocators in each wire center, Highly Confidential Attachment B, Collocation Verification Worksheets, contains results of the physical field verification, and Attachment C are copies of letters sent to each of the identified Fiber-Based Collocators requesting further validation of their status as a Fiber-Based Collocator, which are competitively sensitive. All of the highly confidential information being submitted is viewed as highly proprietary by CenturyLink and is closely guarded to maintain its confidentiality. The data at the level of detail being submitted by CenturyLink are closely guarded by all carriers offering access services, and if CenturyLink's confidential information became available to its competitors, they could use such data to target certain areas of CenturyLink's services and customers to their unfair competitive advantage.

6. The documents contain proprietary business information. Disclosure of these documents will provide actual and potential competitors with information which could provide them with a unique and unfair competitive advantage. Accordingly, CenturyLink respectfully requests that the Commission grant this request for confidential protection and treatment.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2013.

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