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CEN-T-15-03
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**Re: Case No.: [New]
Application for Approval of Traffic Exchange
Agreement**

Dear Ms. Jewell:

Enclosed for filing are an original and two (2) copies of the Traffic Exchange Agreement by and between CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. dba CenturyLink; CenturyTel of Idaho, Inc. dba CenturyLink and Level 3 Communications, L.L.C. for the State of Idaho. CenturyLink respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the Commission Decision Meeting Agenda for expedited approval.

Please contact me if you have any questions concerning the enclosed. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Maura E. Reynolds

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Enclosure

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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

**APPLICATION OF CENTURYTEL OF
THE GEM STATE, INC. DBA
CENTURYLINK AND CENTURYTEL OF
IDAHO DBA CENTURYLINK FOR
APPROVAL OF THE TRAFFIC
EXCHANGE AGREEMENT WITH
LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATIONS, L.L.C.
FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO PURSUANT
TO 47 U.S.C. §252(e)**

CASE NO.: CEN-T-15-03
CGS-T-15-03

**APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF
TRAFFIC EXCHANGE AGREEMENT**

CenturyTel of the Gem State dba CenturyLink and CenturyTel of Idaho dba CenturyLink (“CenturyLink”) hereby file this Application for Approval of a Traffic Exchange Agreement (“Agreement”). The Agreement with Level 3 Communications, L.L.C. (“Level 3”) is submitted herewith.

This Agreement was reached through voluntary negotiations without resort to mediation or arbitration and is submitted for approval pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the “Act”).

Section 252(e)(2) of the Act directs that a state Commission may reject an agreement reached through voluntary negotiations only if the Commission finds that: the agreement (or portion(s) thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to this agreement; or the implementation of such an agreement (or portion) is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.