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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Jean D. Jewell, Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
472 West Washington
Boise, ID 83702-5983

RE: Docket No. CGS-T-13-02

Dear Ms. Jewell:

Enclosed for filing with this Commission are an original and seven (7) copies of **CENTURYTEL of the GEM STATE, INC'S NOTICE OF ELECTION UNDER IDAHO CODE §62-605.**

If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosure

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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

<p>IN THE MATTER CENTURYTEL of the GEM STATE, INC'S NOTICE OF ELECTION UNDER IDAHO CODE §62-605</p>	<p>Case No. <i>CGS-T-13-02</i></p> <p>CENTURYTEL of the GEM STATE, INC'S NOTICE OF ELECTION UNDER IDAHO CODE §62-605</p>
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CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc., dba CenturyLink (CenturyLink), by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files its Notice of Election in accordance with the provisions of Idaho Code § 62-605. By this Notice, CenturyLink elects to make all of its retail services offered in the service territory of CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. subject to the provisions of Title 62, Idaho Code.

I. NOTICE OF ELECTION

A. Idaho Code § 62-605 Requirements

1. Subsection (1) (a): Name and address of the telephone corporation.

CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc., dba CenturyLink is an Idaho corporation whose business address is 999 Main Street, Boise, Idaho, 83702. Correspondence should be directed as follows:

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2. Subsection (1) (b): Narrative description of telecommunications services provided and geographic area served

CenturyLink in its CenturyTel of the Gem State operations offers an array of intra- and interstate telecommunications services to individuals and businesses in the exchanges of Bruneau, Grand View, Grasmere-Riddle and Richfield. All of these services are described in the following tariffs, which are on file with this Commission:

CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. /dba CenturyLink – Local Exchange Tariff

CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. /dba CenturyLink – Access Service Tariff

For notice purposes, these tariffs are incorporated herein by reference.

CenturyTel of the Gem State's existing service area is more particularly defined in the exchange maps on file with the Commission and in the territorial descriptions set forth as part of the Company's existing Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 227,

issued May 5, 1956, as amended. For notice purposes these exchange maps and the certificate are incorporated herein by reference.

B. Services Subject to this Notice of Election

All of the services offered by CenturyLink in the CenturyTel of the Gem State's tariffs listed above are the subject of this Notice of Election.

C. Services CenturyLink Intends to Leave Subject to the Provisions of Title 61, Idaho Code

CenturyLink intends that all of its services be offered under Title 62, Idaho Code upon the effective date of this Notice.

D. CenturyLink Catalogs

CenturyLink will file the following Catalogs with this Commission on or before May 31, 2013. These Catalog filings will be incorporated in this Notice as follows: Attachment A provides a copy of the CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. /dba CenturyLink – Local Exchange Catalog (Catalog No. 2), which will replace the Local Exchange Tariff on the effective date of this Election. Attachment A contains no substantive changes to the prices or terms and conditions of the products and services offered in the current tariff; it merely reflects the changes necessary to make the document consistent with regulation under Title 62, Idaho Code together with changes reflecting CenturyTel of the Gem State's intent to do business using the CenturyLink name.

Attachment B provides copy of the CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. /dba CenturyLink Access Service Catalog (Catalog No.4), which will replace the Access Service Tariff on the effective date of this Election. This Catalog has been drafted to reflect the access rate changes that the Company must make to comply with the *USF/ICC*

*Transformation Order.*¹ Attachment B also reflects CenturyTel of the Gem State's intent to do business using the CenturyLink name. The effective date of these Catalogs is July 2, 2013. On that date CenturyLink's tariffs will be withdrawn in their entirety.

Attachments A and B reflect the availability, price, and terms and conditions for the services CenturyLink will provide pursuant to Title 62, Idaho Code. All of the services that are the subject of the Notice, with the exception of certain of its access charges which are being changed to comply with federal regulation, are offered in the above-described Catalogs at prices identical to those contained in the respective CenturyTel of the Gem State's tariffs for the same services. After the effective date of the Catalogs, any future price changes will be governed by Title 62, Idaho Code.

E. Customer Notice

CenturyTel of the Gem State provided the following notice to all of its customers in the May billing cycle:

Effective July 2, 2013, the regulation of CenturyLink by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission will be relaxed pursuant to Title 62, Idaho Code. While Title 62 allows CenturyLink to change services prices without Commission approval, there will be no changes to your rates or services at this time. CenturyLink will notify you of any price changes in the future. Thank you for choosing CenturyLink for your communication needs—we value you as a customer.

¹ *In the Matter of Connect America Fund, A National Broadband Plan for Our Future, Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers, High-Cost Universal Service Support, Developing an Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Lifeline and Link-Up, Universal Service Reform – Mobility Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90, GN Docket No. 09-51, WC Docket No. 07-135, WC Docket No. 05-337, CC Docket No. 01-92, CC Docket No. 96-45, WC Docket No. 03-109, WT Docket No. 10-208, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-161 (rel. Nov. 18, 2011) (USF/ICC Transformation Order)*

E. Effective Date

The effective date of this Notice is July 2, 2013.

Dated this 15th day of May, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,



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