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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF)
QWEST CORPORATION DBA CENTURYLINK) **CASE NOS. QWE-T-13-05**
QC FOR APPROVAL TO REPLACE THE)
PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE PLAN BASED) **COMMENTS OF THE**
UPON SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN) **COMMISSION STAFF**
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COMES NOW the Staff of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, by and through its Attorney of record, Weldon B. Stutzman, Deputy Attorney General, and in response to the Notice of Petition and Notice of Modified Procedure issued in Order No. 32877 on August 14, 2013, submits the following comments.

BACKGROUND

On July 31, 2013, Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC (CenturyLink QC) filed a Petition requesting the Commission approve replacement of the Company's Idaho Quality Performance Assurance Plan (Plan or QPAP) with a revised QPAP. The new Plan results from a settlement agreement between CenturyLink QC and various competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs) that participated in a Plan review before the Colorado Public Utilities Commission.