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**RE: Tariff Control No. 41004 – Application of United Telephone Company of Texas, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink to Revise Its Local Residential and Business Rates**

### **NOTICE OF APPROVAL**

On November 30, 2012, United Telephone Company of Texas, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink (CenturyLink) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) for approval to change rates in accordance with Docket No. 40521.<sup>1</sup> Specifically, CenturyLink seeks to increase the access line rate for residential local exchange telephone service. CenturyLink also proposed business local service increases for individual line, certain key rotary trunks, and local measure service. In addition, the usage sensitive per activation rates for three way calling, return call, and repeat dialing are being increased for residential and business customers, while the zone charge is being reduced from \$4.00 to \$0.00 for residential customers. CenturyLink also proposed to revise the Lifeline Assistance THCUSP ILEC discount amount in compliance with Docket No. 40521. CenturyLink's exchanges are regulated under Chapter 58 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA).<sup>2</sup>

On December 19, 2012, Commission Staff filed its recommendation for approval of CenturyLink's application. Consistent with Commission Staff's recommendation, the following tariff sheets are approved, effective January 1, 2013:<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Commission Staff's Petition to Establish a Reasonable Rate for Basic Local Telecommunications Service Pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.403*, Docket No. 40521, Final Order (Sep. 28, 2012).

<sup>2</sup> TEX. UTIL. CODE ANN. §§ 11.001-66.016 (Vernon 2007 & Supp. 2012) (PURA).

<sup>3</sup> Administrative approval of this uncontested tariff application has no precedential value in a future proceeding.

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SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS on this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 2012.

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