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**DOCKET NO. 49651**

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**JOINT APPLICATION OF CENTRAL § PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**  
**TELEPHONE COMPANY OF TEXAS §**  
**DBA CENTURYLINK, UNITED § OF TEXAS**  
**TELEPHONE COMPANY OF TEXAS, §**  
**INC. DBA CENTURYLINK AND VERO §**  
**FIBER NETWORKS, LLC FOR §**  
**APPROVAL OF AN §**  
**INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT §**

**ORDER NO. 1**  
**ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

On June 20, 2019, Central Telephone Company of Texas dba Centurylink, United Telephone Company of Texas, Inc. dba Centurylink and Vero Fiber Networks, LLC (applicants) filed a joint application for approval of an interconnection agreement. The application will be processed in accordance with 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 21.97. The Commission will issue a decision regarding this docket no later than July 9, 2019<sup>1</sup>, unless the Commission determines that a formal review is necessary.

**I. Sufficiency of the Application**

The Commission finds that the joint application submitted by the applicants provides sufficient information to allow the Commission to properly review the proposed interconnection agreement. As required by 16 TAC § 21.97, the application included a copy of the interconnection agreement, the applicants' contact information, and affidavits explaining how the agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity, including all relevant requirements of state law.

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<sup>1</sup> Fifteen (15) days from the application filing date (June 20, 2019) is Friday, July 5, 2019. Due to holiday office closures on July 4-5, 2019, the deadline advances to Tuesday, July 9, 2019.

## II. Number of Copies

The applicants must file three copies of any subsequent filing regarding this docket with Commission's filing clerk.

## III. Notice

The Commission finds that reasonable notice of the filing of the interconnection agreement may be required. Accordingly, the undersigned may require applicants to provide direct notice, or notice *via* electronic mail. Alternatively, website posting of the filing of this agreement may also be used, provided that all affected persons are made aware of the website.

## IV. Comments

The Commission finds that additional public comment should be allowed before the Commission issues a final decision approving or rejecting the proposed interconnection agreement. Any interested person may file written comments on the application by filing three copies of the comments with the Commission's filing clerk and serving a copy of the comments on each of the applicants, within five days of the filing of the joint application. The comments must include the following information:

- (1) a detailed statement of the person's interests in the agreement, including a description of how approval of the agreement may adversely affect those interests;
- (2) specific allegations that the agreement, or some portion thereof:
  - (a) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement; or
  - (b) is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity; or
  - (c) is not consistent with other requirements of state law; and
- (3) the specific facts upon which the allegations are based.

**V. Issuance of Approval, Denial, or Further Review of Joint Application**

Issuance of a notice of approval, denial, or further review regarding the application must be made in writing with copies to the applicants and any interested person who filed comments in the proceeding.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 2019.

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS**



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**CHRISTOPHER OAKLEY**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**