

**CenturyLink Operating Companies**

**Tariff F.C.C. Nos. 9**

**Transmittal No. 40**

***Description and Justification***

The CenturyLink operating companies (CLOC) hereby submit the following information in support of the accompanying tariff filing, as required by Sections 61.38 and 61.41 through 61.49 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations.

This filing is being made on 1 days' notice under the Federal Communications Commission's filing procedures (Section 61.58(b)), and proposes the following revisions to the applicable tariffs as indicated:

- (1) Addition of one new 7 year term plans for special access Ethernet Virtual Private Line service in all states covered in Tariff F.C.C. No. 9.

***1.0 Ethernet Virtual Private Line 7 Year Term Plans***

CLOC currently provides Ethernet Virtual Private Line (EVPL) service in all states within the former CenturyTel and Embarq service areas. CLOC now proposes to add a new 7 year term rate plan for special access Ethernet Virtual Private Line (EVPL) service. EVPL service is a high speed data transport service that provides the ability to order Ethernet service where a single customer can support multiple applications with varying Quality of Service at transport speeds of 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps, 1000 Mbps (1 Gbps) and 10000 Mbps (10 Gbps). The new 7 year term plans is the Low Volume Based Plan. The Low Volume Base Plan is available for customers who purchase a minimum of 100 locations during the first calendar year.

The Low Volume Based Plan offers the following rates elements:

UNI Bandwidth Port (includes Gold QoS and Channel mileage)

NNI Port (no charge)

EVC Connection

EVPL service is being offered at month-to-month rates, three and five year Term Discount Plan rates and four seven year Term Plan rates.

### ***3.0 Conclusion***

The CenturyLink operating companies are submitting the accompanying tariff revisions in response to customer requests for the proposed services, and in accordance with the Commission's Rules governing the provision of interstate access services. The rates and charges proposed in this filing are demonstrated to be fully cost-based and reasonable, and are supported, where required, by exhibits detailing cost and rate development.