

TRANSMITTAL NO. 105
CENTURYLINK OPERATING COMPANIES
ACCESS SERVICE
TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 12
DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION
SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION

INTRODUCTION AND DESCRIPTION

This filing is being made by CenturyLink Operating Companies (CenturyLink) in its Tariff F.C.C. No. 12, Special Construction to add one new case in Section 11 of this tariff.

CASE DETAIL

Case No. 62

(Reference No. MT18S0561)

Description:

Special construction work will consist of the placement of 960 feet of underground fiber cable, 1,230 feet of aerial fiber cable, 240 feet of fiber entrance cable and 2 hand holes between the customers location at 510 Bullhook Blvd., Havre, MT and the CenturyLink Serving Wire Center at 200 5th Ave, Havre, MT. A total charge of \$31,485.00 is due and payable in a one-time, up-front payment.

COST SUPPORT AND WORKPAPERS

Construction Costs

This case meets the conditions for Special Construction as specified in CenturyLink's Special Construction Tariff. The costs are for the engineering and placement of facilities and loadings to recover overhead costs.

The Direct Costs consist of the non-reusable investment associated with this Special Construction Case. These are costs directly associated with the project such as engineering the job, the equipment, the labor to install the equipment, placement of the fiber or cable, and shipping of the material.

Once these Direct Costs have been identified, an "Overhead Loading for Special Construction" is then calculated. The overhead loading includes the following type of expenses: administrative expenses, product management expenses, sales expenses, common overhead expenses, and business fees.

Workpaper A-1 displays the direct costs and the overhead loading.

Case Preparation Cost

The case preparation charge, as displayed on Workpaper A-1 covers the one-time preparation costs and filing fees associated with these special construction cases. The charge consists of labor to prepare cost documentation; to write the tariff; and to prepare the Description and Justification (D&J), the Transmittal Letter and coordinate the filing. These fees are based on average 2009 case preparation times.

After the work functions were identified, the time required for case preparation was calculated (an average of 1 hour per case). The task time identified was then multiplied by the appropriate labor rate ($1 \times \$70.93 = \70.93).

The prorated cost of the filing fees was calculated by taking the number of special construction cases filed in 2009 divided by the number of special construction tariff filings to produce an average number of special access cases per filing (14.2). The FCC's \$815 filing fee was then divided by this factor to come up with a prorated filing fee of \$57.39 per special construction case.

The sum of the labor calculations plus the prorated cost of the filing fee produces the case preparation charge.

COST SUPPORT

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CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Direct Costs	\$	30,572.76
Overhead	\$	<u>783.92</u>
Total	\$	31,356.68

CASE PREPARATION CHARGE

Case Preparation	\$	70.93
Prorated FCC Filing Fee	\$	<u>57.39</u>
Total Case Preparation Charge	\$	128.32
Total Charge	\$	31,485.00