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Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Lynn M. Retz
Secretary to the Commission
Kansas Corporation Commission
1500 SW Arrowhead Road
Topeka, KS 66604-4027

Dear Ms. Retz:

United Telephone Companies of Kansas d/b/a CenturyLink has enclosed for filing revisions to its Local Exchange Tariff.

The following revisions are included in this filing:

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This filing discontinues auto-renewals for the Company Line Volume Plan previously known as CenturyLink Line Volume Plan. Effective October 19, 2022, existing CLVP term agreements will no longer renew automatically. Current term agreements will be grandfathered at their assigned Tier until they expire. Upon expiration of current term agreements, lines provided by CenturyLink ILECs will not be contributory to or eligible for the Company Line Volume Plan provided under this tariff, and all contributory and eligible lines must be provided by a Brightspeed ILEC.

In compliance with existing rules, we make this filing on at least 30 days advance notification and anticipate an October 19, 2022 effective date.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, you may contact me at (913) 884-1111 or John Idoux at (913) 884-1126.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christina L. Chushuk".

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ATTACHMENT A
Customer Notification

United Telephone Companies of Kansas d/b/a CenturyLink

Following is the verbiage contained in CenturyLink's Customer Notice via a direct mail post card associated with the pending change to Company Line Volume Plan formerly known as CenturyLink Line Volume Plan.

Important Information Regarding Your CenturyLink Service

Dear CenturyLink Customer,

This is a required notice that has no immediate impact to your services, pricing, features, or payment remittance and no action is required of you.

Lumen, CenturyLink's parent company, is selling parts of our local fiber and copper network, including our consumer, small business, wholesale and enterprise businesses and assets in 20 states. The sale will be to a new company that will operate under the brand name Brightspeed. Therefore, effective October 19, 2022, term agreements for CenturyLink Line Volume Plan (CLVP) will no longer renew automatically. Customers with current CLVP term agreements will be grandfathered for the duration of their current term at the currently assigned Tier. When your current CLVP term agreement(s) expires, you must select a new Tier and term commitment period. Once you renew your contract, your local service provider must provide all contributory lines. Brightspeed lines will contribute to Brightspeed Company Line Volume Plan customer agreements and CenturyLink lines will contribute to CenturyLink Line Volume Plan customer agreements.

If you have any questions, please contact your account team prior to your current term agreement expiring.

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

F. **COMPANY LINE VOLUME PLAN (CLVP)** (T)

1. General

- a. **Company** Line Volume Plan (CLVP) is available to business customers subscribing to 10 or more basic business lines, key lines or key trunks. A customer may have a maximum of 3,000 participating lines across all service territories served by **Brightspeed** incumbent local exchange carriers (each, a **Brightspeed** ILEC)^[1]. Lines served by a **Company affiliated** competitive local exchange carrier (CLEC) are not contributory to or eligible for CLVP. (T)
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- b. CLVP is offered as a tiered plan with each tier having a Minimum Line Requirement. Lines and/or key trunks provided by a **Brightspeed** ILEC which are already discounted under an existing term discount plan, line volume plan or any contractual arrangement which contains a volume and/or minimum term commitment, may contribute to the aggregate line count used for determining the applicable tier and rates for services under this CLVP, but are not eligible for additional discounts under this CLVP. (C)

2. Regulations

- a. Qualifying CLVP **services are** defined as follows: (T)
- Flat rate business individual lines – local exchange service terminating into a single line instrument.
 - Flat rate key lines or key trunks – local exchange service terminating into any system classified as a key system pursuant to FCC Part 68 Rules and any hybrid system designed to function like a key system, e.g. an outbound line is manually selected, usually by pushing a button on the handset, rather than being selected automatically (usually by dialing 9).

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

F. **COMPANY LINE VOLUME PLAN (CLVP) (Continued)** (T)

2. Regulations (Continued)

- b. CLVP Feature Package, consisting of Customer's choice of any of the following features (where offered), is available in conjunction with any qualifying service:

Caller ID (includes Anonymous Call Rejection, where available)
Call Forwarding
Call Forward Busy
Call Forward No Answer
Call Forward-Remote Access (Not currently available)
Enhanced Call Waiting
Three-Way Calling
Three-Way Calling with Transfer
Call Return
SignalRing
Message Waiting Indicator ^[1]
Voicemail ^[1]

- c. The terms and conditions for qualifying services and optional features apply as specified in applicable **Company** tariffs, guidebooks, schedules, and/or other local terms of service documents, unless stated otherwise herein. (T)

- d. CLVP rates are based on line volume and a term commitment period of two, three, four or five years^[2]. Customers may not have more than one CLVP tier and term commitment period in effect across all **Brightspeed ILEC** service locations. **Rates** for qualifying services at new service locations will be charged based on the already established tier and commitment period. Any lines added after execution of the initial CLVP are contributory towards the Minimum Line Commitment but will not prompt a change in the assigned tier for the previously established lines. (C)
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- e. **Deleted** (D)

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^[1] This service is not regulated under this tariff.

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

F. COMPANY LINE VOLUME PLAN (CLVP) (Continued)

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2. Regulations (Continued)

- f. All qualifying services must be associated with the same customer. The Company may, at its discretion, provide this plan to Affiliates or Franchisees of Customer. An Affiliate or Franchisee is an entity whose operation of business is substantially associated with Customer's name, mark, or commercial symbol. When, at the Company's discretion, this plan is provided to Affiliates or Franchisees of Customer, Customer must designate the specific account to which Early Termination Charges and Shortfall Penalties will be applied.
- g. Services subject to rates under this CLVP are not eligible for discounted rates under any other local voice discount plan. Only the qualifying services listed in 2.a. preceding are both contributory to and eligible for the CLVP rates herein. However, a line or key trunk in any packaged service may contribute towards the minimum line requirement. PBX trunks are neither eligible for or contributory to CLVP for purposes of determining the appropriate rate tier and minimum line requirement.
- h. Customers may select a CLVP tier lower than their actual quantity of contributory services^[1].
- i. Services receiving promotional or competitive response discounts or recurring charge waivers under other term commitment programs are not eligible for CLVP rates until the terms of those offers have been satisfied for those lines.
- j. Additional business lines may be added at any time during Customer's term commitment period, but will not affect the tier and monthly discount levels established upon execution of the CLVP agreement unless Customer commits to a new agreement for a greater number of lines than the existing agreement. Rates applicable under the new agreement will not apply retroactively nor will the months accrued under the initial agreement apply towards the new commitment period.
- k. Customer may move all or some of the lines under this CLVP to any eligible **Brightspeed** service location without incurring termination charges, as long as Customer maintains the overall minimum line requirement. The CLVP rates for relocated lines are as specified in the appropriate **Company** tariffs, guidebooks, schedules, and/or local terms of service documents for the new service location.

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F. COMPANY LINE VOLUME PLAN (CLVP) (Continued)

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3. Early Termination Liability

- a. If **the Company** terminates the Service(s) for cause, or if Customer terminates the Services(s) in whole without cause before expiration of the initial commitment period, the customer will pay termination charges of \$15.00 per line of the customer's Minimum Line Requirement multiplied by the remaining number of months left on the Term. For example: a customer terminating all service with 3 months remaining on the Term and a Minimum Line Requirement of 50 lines will pay $\$15.00 \times 50 \times 3 = \$2,250.00$. (T)
- b. If during an annual review of Customer's account, the account falls below the Minimum Line Requirement for the discount tier, the customer will pay a shortfall penalty of \$60.00 for each line below the Minimum Line Requirement. If the customer is charged a shortfall charge, the Company may subsequently conduct quarterly audits and apply shortfall charges until the customer meets the Minimum Line Requirement. ^[1] (C)
- c. The optional CLVP Feature Package does not contribute to the discount tier and is not subject to termination charges or shortfall penalty.
- d. Early Termination Liability charges will be waived for CLVP customers who commit to a new term agreement that includes the same or greater number of equivalent lines or similar services (e.g. channels within a 1.544 Mbps service) for the same or greater term than their existing agreement. Months accrued under the CLVP term commitment period will not apply towards the new commitment period.

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F. **COMPANY LINE VOLUME PLAN (CLVP) (Continued)**

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4. Application of Rates

- a. Touch-Tone charges and/or Extended Area Service charges normally billed in addition to the local exchange service rate are included in the rates specified herein. Charges for lines and key trunks in a hunting arrangement (a.k.a. rotary line service or rotary access service) that would otherwise apply as an incremental charge are also included in the rates specified herein.
- b. Customers will not incur service charges or other nonrecurring charges when switching existing basic business line service to CLVP.
- c. Nonrecurring charges and/or Service Charges will apply as specified in applicable **Brightspeed ILEC** tariffs, guidebooks, schedules, and/or local terms of service documents. Nonrecurring charges may be waived if customer moves future services from another telecommunications service provider to lines under the CLVP. However, such subsequently moved lines will not affect the tier and monthly discount level established upon execution of this agreement. (T)
- d. Qualifying services may be aggregated across the entire **Brightspeed** Incumbent LEC service territory to determine the applicable Tier (based on total number of lines). The monthly rate(s) in effect for each service location upon execution of a CLVP agreement will apply for the duration of the term commitment period, and are not subject to Company initiated rate increases. (T)
- e. **Effective October 19, 2022, CLVP term agreements will no longer renew automatically. Current term agreements will be grandfathered at their assigned Tier until they expire. Upon expiration of current term agreements, lines provided by CenturyLink ILECs will not be contributory to or eligible for a Company Line Volume Plan provided under this tariff, and all contributory and eligible lines must be provided by a Brightspeed ILEC.** If, at the end of the **CLVP term commitment** period, Customer has not executed a new agreement, the rates for business individual lines and/or key lines/trunks, including lines/trunks in a hunting arrangement (a.k.a. rotary line service or rotary access service), and ala carte rates for optional features selected with CLVP Feature Package, if applicable, will revert to the non-contractual monthly rates in effect for those services as specified in **the Company's** tariffs, guidebooks, schedules, and/or other local terms of service documents. (C)

LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

F. **COMPANY LINE VOLUME PLAN (CLVP) (Continued)** (T)

4. Application of Rates

- f. If, at any time during **the term commitment period**, Customer's total number of qualifying services fall below the minimum number of lines required to receive the CLVP discounted rates, the lines/trunks will no longer qualify for CLVP rates and will be charged at the prevailing non-contractual monthly rates for business individual lines and/or key lines/trunks, including lines/trunks in a hunting arrangement (a.k.a. rotary line service or rotary access service), as specified in CenturyLink tariffs, guidebooks, schedules, and/or other local terms of service documents. Lines/trunks reverted to non-contractual monthly rates will no longer qualify for the CLVP Feature Package rate, and features associated with those lines will be charged at the prevailing non-contractual monthly ala carte feature rates. Early termination liability charges will not apply for any lines disconnected or reverted to monthly rates after expiration of the initial term commitment period. (C)
- g. The CLVP Feature Package rate applies in addition to the Flat Rate Business Service rate. When applicable, the Flat Rate Business Service and CLVP Feature Package will appear as a single line item on the customer's bill.

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F. COMPANY LINE VOLUME PLAN (CLVP) (Continued)

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5. Rates

a. Flat Rate Business Service, per Individual Line, Key Line, and/or Key Trunk, per month ^[1]

Number of Lines (Tier)/Minimum Line Requirement ^[2]	Two Year Term	Three - Five Year Terms
10 - 49	\$29.99	\$29.99
50 - 499	29.99	29.99
500 - 999	29.99	29.99
1000 - 3000	29.99	29.99

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b. Optional Services

LVP Feature Package, per line/ trunk, per month

Number of Lines (Tier)/Minimum Line Requirement ^[2]	Two Year Term	Three - Five Year Terms
10 - 49	\$5.00	\$5.00
50 - 499	5.00	5.00
500 - 999	5.00	5.00
1000 - 3000	5.00	5.00

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^[1] Touch-Tone, Trunk Hunting and Extended Area Service, where applicable, are included in these rates. Suburban area mileage rates do not apply.

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