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# VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

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I/M/O Joint Petition of United Telephone Company of New Jersey, Inc. Re:

d/b/a CenturyLink and Broadview Networks, Inc. for Approval of a Resale

Sincerely.

Agreement - BPU Docket No.

Dear Secretary Asbury:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and ten (10) copies of the Joint Petition of United Telephone Company of New Jersey, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink and Broadview Networks, Inc. for approval of a Resale Agreement. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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I/M/O JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF A RESALE : AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY : OF NEW JERSEY, INC. D/B/A CENTURYLINK AND : BROADVIEW NETWORKS, INC. :

BPU DOCKET NO.

## JOINT PETITION OF UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF NEW JERSEY, INC. D/B/A CENTURYLINK

Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "1996 Act"), 1 United Telephone Company of New Jersey, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink ("CenturyLink"), respectfully files the attached Resale Agreement between ("Agreement") between CenturyLink and Broadview Networks, Inc. ("Broadview") and requests, to the extent necessary, that the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") approve the attached Agreement. In support, CenturyLink in conjunction with Broadview, states as follows:

#### THE PARTIES

- CenturyLink is an Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier ("ILEC")
  authorized to provide local exchange telephone services in portions of the State of New Jersey.
  - 2. Broadview is a CLEC provider in the State of New Jersey.
- 3. Broadview has entered into the underlying Agreement with CenturyLink for the provision of reselling telecommunication services in the State of New Jersey. A copy of the Broadview and CenturyLink Agreement is attached hereto at Appendix A.

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Citations herein to the 1996 Act should be construed as references to sections of the Communications Act of 1934 as amended by the 1996 Act.

#### THE AGREEMENT

- 4. CenturyLink and Broadview, specifically, have entered into the Agreement which will allow Broadview to purchase telecommunication services from CenturyLink on a resale basis.
- CenturyLink and Broadview have entered into the Agreement pursuant to
  Sections 251(b), (c) and 252(a) of the 1996 Act.
- 6. The Agreement sets forth the rates, terms and conditions for the establishment of rates, terms and conditions for local resale as defined and set forth in the Act and the attached Agreement. The Agreement is an integrated package that reflects a negotiated balance of many interests and concerns critical to both parties.
  - 7. The attached Agreement is effective upon Commission approval.

#### **COMPLIANCE WITH THE 1996 ACT**

8. The Agreement satisfies the requirements for Board approval pursuant to Section 252(e)(2)(A) of the 1996 Act, which provides as follows:

"The State commission may only reject...an agreement (or any portion thereof) adopted by negotiation under subsection (a) if it finds that--

- (i) the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or
- (ii) the implementation of such agreement or portion is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity[.]"
- 9. First, the Agreement does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier, as required by Section 252(e)(2)(A)(i).

10. Second, the Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity, as required by Section 252(e)(2)(A)(ii).

## APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT

11. CenturyLink, in conjunction with Broadview, respectfully requests that the Board approve this Petition and the attached Agreement to the extent Board approval is required.

WHEREFORE, CenturyLink, with the concurrence of Broadview, respectfully requests that the Board approve the attached Agreement pursuant to Section 252(e) of the 1996 Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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