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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Aida Camacho-Welch, Secretary NJ Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Ave., 9th Floor PO Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

Re: In the matter of the Petition of United Telephone Company of New Jersey, Inc.

d/b/a CenturyLink for approval of the renewal of two municipal consents pursuant

to N.J.S.A. 48:2-14: Docket Nos. TE20120760 through TE20120761

Dear Secretary Camacho-Welch:

Enclosed for filing please find the Stipulation on behalf of United Telephone Company of New Jersey, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink in the above-referenced matter. An electronic copy of the Stipulation is being served upon the persons listed on the attached service list.

If you have any questions, or need additional information about the above, please contact me at 614-441-0393.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION :

OF UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY : BPU Docket Nos.TE20120760;TE20120761

OF NEW JERSEY, INC. D/B/A :

CENTURYLINK FOR APPROVAL : VERIFIED PETITION

OF THE RENEWAL OF TWO : MUNICIPAL CONSENTS :

PURSUANT TO *N.J.S.A.* 48:2-14

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OF UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY

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STIPULATION

Petitioner, United Telephone Company of New Jersey, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink and Division of Rate Counsel hereby stipulate to the following and request that this Stipulation be entered into evidence at the hearing on May 20, 2021:

- 1. The two (2) Ordinances referred to in the Petitions in these matters were properly and lawfully adopted by the enacting municipalities.
- 2. The ordinances are for the terms (durations) set forth in Schedule "A" annexed hereto and made part hereof.
- 3. All the Ordinances are essentially similar in substance to the ordinances adopted by other municipalities and counties throughout the State which have been accepted by Petitioner and approved by the Board of Public Utilities ("Board") in prior proceedings similar to this in which Rate Counsel has participated. All provisions of the Ordinance are substantively identical to provisions that have been previously accepted by Petitioner and approved by the Board in such proceedings.
- 4. Notice of hearing scheduled for May 20, 2021 has been served on the respective clerks of the affected municipalities, the clerks of the Board of Commissioners for the Counties in which such municipalities are located, and County Administrators as required by law. An Affidavit of Service certifying such notice has been filed with the Board.
- 5. Petitioner is subject to real property taxes and business personal property taxes in the municipalities. Petitioner is also subject to fees and charges associated with street opening permits, inspection, engineering fees and for charges associated with police traffic control for work performed in the public rights-of -way.
- 6. The Ordinances do not confer any exclusive rights to Petitioner for use of the public rights-of-way; and approval of the Ordinances will not result in any increase in rates or charges for services provided by Petitioner.

	7.	The Ordinances permit other parties having a lawful right to place their facilities in
the pub	olic	rights-of-way to jointly use Petitioner's poles and other structures for lawful purposes.
Petition	ner	does not permit such joint use of its poles and structures without evidence that such
parties	hav	ve municipal consent or other lawful right to use the public rights-of way as required by
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Dated: May 5, 202

SCHEDULE "A"

The ordinances are for the following terms (durations).

- 1. Township of Franklin, Somerset County: 20 years with auto renewals year to year
- 2. Township of Washington, Morris County: 10 years

None of the ordinances are for an indefinite or perpetual term of years.