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Vancouver, WA 98668

October 1, 2002

Application No. 7

Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

Attention: Common Carrier Bureau

Application is hereby made on behalf of CenturyTel Operating Companies (CTOC) to waive the requirements of Sections 61.38, 61.49, 61.54(i) and 61.59 of the Commission's rules

CTOC has recently purchased Alabama and Missouri companies from Verizon and intends to file four new tariffs: F.C.C. No. 2, 3, 4 and 5. These will mirror Verizon F.C.C. Tariff Nos. 14, 16, 20 and 21 respectively except for spelling, elimination of locations not purchased by CenturyTel, elimination of blank pages and sections, renumbering the tariffs and moving material from one page to another as well as Verizon service marks and trade marks.

CTOC desires to keep the same rates as previously charged by Verizon and currently charged by CTOC for its customers. The Company has been granted a limited waiver of Section 61.41 until the Commission comes out with an order relating to the "all or nothing rule". The company adopted the Verizon price cap indices and will continue to maintain these indices. In addition, CTOC will provide VADI and Special Construction services that usually require 61.38 cost support. However, CTOC does not have its own cost support required by Sections 61.38 and 61.49 of the Commission's Rules. Therefore a waiver of Section 61.38 and 61.49 is requested to allow CTOC to make the filing without the required cost support.

The company also realizes that this waiver will also apply to this initial filing and that any future rate changes and the July 1, annual filing will require the proper price cap filing and/or 61.38 cost support.

The tariff provisions being filed by CTOC were originally filed by Verizon. Since some of the material may not been in effect for 30 days, CTOC is requesting a waiver of Section 61.59.

A waiver of 61.54 (i) is also requested in order not to symbolize the material being moved and the spelling corrections. No grammar changes will be made. Verizon service names which were its service marks and trade marks will also be changed and will not have symbols.

The Title Pages from all four tariffs are attached.

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The original Application Letter, along with FCC Form 159 and the required filing fee of \$655 are being sent via overnight service to the Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, under FRN 0003-7406-51.

All calls concerning this filing can be made to me at 360 905-7918. Correspondence should be sent to me at the above address or faxed to 360/905-7979.

CENTURYTEL OPERATING COMPANIES

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Federal Registration Numbers for
CENTURYTEL OPERATING COMPANIES
Tariff Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5 Participants

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Transmittal No. __

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In accordance with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and under authority of Special Permission No. 02-__ of the Federal Communications Commission, CenturyTel Operating Companies ("CTOC") is filing herewith four new Tariffs: Tariff F.C.C. No. 2, Facilities For Interstate Access; Tariff F.C.C. No. 3, Access Services; Tariff F.C.C. No. 4, Communications Services Tariff; and Tariff F.C. C. No. 5, Special Construction to become effective on 15 days notice on October __, 2002, as shown on the following checksheets:

TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 2	Original Page 1
TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 3	Original Page 1
TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4	Original Page 1
TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 5	Original Page 1

This filing will replace CenturyTel's concurrence in the Verizon Tariffs F.C.C. No. 14,16, 20 and 21 respectively for purchased properties in Alabama and Missouri. Changes to the tariffs have been limited to spelling, elimination of locations not purchased by CenturyTel, elimination of blank pages and sections, renumbering the tariffs and moving material from one page to another. Rates have not changed nor the content of the tariffs.

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FACILITIES FOR INTERSTATE ACCESS

(Service previously provided under Verizon Tariff F.C.C. No. 14)

Regulations, Rates and Charges Applicable to
Facilities for Interstate Access, Ancillary and Miscellaneous Services

provided by

CENTURYTEL OPERATING COMPANIES

to Interstate Customers

(X)

All material in this Tariff is new

Services herein are provided by means of wire, fiber optics, radio or any other suitable technology or a combination thereof.

The geographical applications are as indicated following the names of the issuing carriers on Title Page 2.

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PO Box 4065, Monroe, LA 71211

ACCESS SERVICE

(Service previously provided under Verizon Tariff F.C.C. No. 16)

Regulations, Rates and Charges
applying to the provision of Access Services
for connection to interstate communications facilities
for customers within the operating territories of the
CenturyTel Operating Companies
listed on Title Page 2.

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Access Services are provided by means of wire, fiber optics, radio or any other suitable technology or a combination thereof.

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COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF

Interstate Communications Services Tariff

(Service previously provided under Verizon Tariff F.C.C. No. 20)

Regulations, rates, and charges applicable
to interstate communications services furnished

by

CenturyTel of Alabama, LLC
PO Box 4065, Monroe, LA 71211

CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC
PO Box 4065, Monroe, LA 71211

Service is furnished by means of wire,
terrestrial microwave radio, optical fibers,
satellite circuits, or a combination thereof.

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SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION

(Service previously provided under Verizon Tariff F.C.C. No. 21)

Regulations, rates and charges applying to the special construction of facilities in connection with the provision of interstate services within the operating territories of:

CenturyTel of Alabama, LLC
PO Box 4065, Monroe, LA 71211

CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC
PO Box 4065, Monroe, LA 71211

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