UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

IN RE: CENTURYLINK SALES PRACTICES AND SECURITIES LITIGATION,

MDL No. 17-2795 (MJD/KMM)

This Document Relates to: Civil File No. 18-296 (MJD/KMM)

PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR CLASS CERTIFICATION, APPOINTMENT OF CLASS REPRESENTATIVES AND APPOINTMENT OF CLASS COUNSEL

Court-appointed Lead Plaintiff, the State of Oregon by and through the Oregon State Treasurer and the Oregon Public Employee Retirement Board, on behalf of the Oregon Public Employee Retirement Fund ("Oregon"), and named plaintiff Fernando Alberto Vildosola, as trustee for the AUFV Trust U/A/D 02/19/2009 ("Vildosola," and collectively with Lead Plaintiff, "Plaintiffs"), by their counsel, hereby move this Court for an entry of an Order in the above-captioned action:

- certifying pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure of all persons or entities that purchased or otherwise acquired publicly traded CenturyLink, Inc. ("CenturyLink") common stock or 7.60% Senior Notes due September 15, 2039 during the period between March 1, 2013 to July 12, 2017, inclusive, and who were damaged thereby;
- (2) appointing Oregon and Vildosola as Class Representatives;

(3) appointing Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP and Stoll Berne Lokting & Shlachter P.C. as Class Counsel.

This Motion is based on this Notice of Motion, the accompanying Memorandum of Law in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification and Appointment of Class Representatives and Class Counsel, the Declaration of Michael D. Blatchley with supporting exhibits A to E, including the Expert Report of Michael L. Hartzmark, Ph.D., the papers and pleadings filed in this action, and such further argument and matters as may be offered at the time of hearing on this Motion.

Dated: January 21, 2020

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