

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

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**FROM:** DANIEL KLEIN

**DATE:** MARCH 18, 2021

**RE:** CENTURYTEL OF THE GEM STATE, INC. D/B/A CENTURYLINK,  
CENTURYTEL OF IDAHO, INC. D/B/A CENTURYLINK  
APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO AN  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH SPECTROTEL, INC.;  
CASE NO. CGS-T-21-01 & CEN-T-21-01.

### BACKGROUND

Under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, interconnection agreements must be submitted to the Commission for approval. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1). The Commission may reject an agreement adopted by negotiations only if it finds that the agreement: (1) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or (2) implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A).

### THE APPLICATION

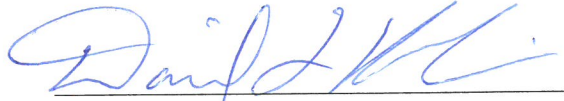
On February 5, 2021, CenturyTel of the Gem State, Inc. and CenturyTel of Idaho, Inc. submitted an Application seeking Commission approval for an amendment to an interconnection agreement with Spectrotel, Inc. This agreement amends the Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) - Resale Forbearance Amendment to the interconnection Agreement ("Amendment") between CenturyLink and Spectrotel, Inc.

## STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Application and believes the agreement is consistent with the FCC orders and pro-competitive policies of this Commission, the Idaho Legislature, and the federal Telecommunications Act. Accordingly, Staff recommends Commission approval of the Application for an interconnection agreement.

## COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?



Daniel Klein

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