

December 31, 2015

# **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. Carlotta Stauffer Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Notice of Adoption of the Interconnection Agreement between QuantumShift

Communications, Inc. and Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink by Peerless

Network of Florida, LLC

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink hereby provides notice to the Florida Public Service Commission of the adoption by Peerless Network of Florida, LLC of the Interconnection Agreement for the State of Florida entered into by QuantumShift Communications, Inc. and Embarq Florida, Inc d/b/a CenturyLink which was filed with the Commission in Docket No. 150202-TP. Peerless Network of Florida, LLC is adopting the agreement as provided by Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me at 850-599-1560.

Sincerely,

/s/Susan S. Masterton

cc: Julie Oost (on behalf of Peerless Networks of Florida, LLC)(via electronic mail)

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# Adoption of the Interconnection Agreement

Ву

Peerless Network of Florida, LLC

Adopting the Interconnection Agreement

Between

Embarq Florida, Inc. dba CenturyLink

**And** 

**QuantumShift Communications, Inc.** 

For the State of Florida

# **Adoption of the Interconnection Agreement**

This Adoption of the Interconnection Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into by and between Embarq Florida, Inc. dba CenturyLink ("CenturyLink"), or if multiple CTL companies (collectively referred to herein as "CenturyLink" without diminishing or affecting the separate and distinct legal entity status of each CenturyLink ILEC operating company), Peerless Network of Florida, LLC ("CLEC"), each of which may be referred to herein as "Party", or collectively as "the Parties", to establish the terms, conditions and rates for local interconnection and the exchange of Local traffic for the State of Florida.

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

#### 1. ADOPTED AGREEMENT

- 1.1 This Agreement between the Parties shall consist of the Interconnection Agreement entered into by and between Embarq Florida, Inc. dba CenturyLink QuantumShift Communications, Inc., that was signed August 17, 2015 ("Adopted Agreement").
- 1.2 This Agreement is made a part of and incorporates the terms and conditions of the Adopted Agreement, including all amendments to that Adopted Agreement (the "Terms").
- 1.3 Except as set forth herein, the Adopted Agreement remains unchanged and in full force and effect. In the event of a conflict between the Terms of the Adopted Agreement and this Agreement, this Agreement will control.

#### 2. PARTY

For the purposes of this Agreement, CLEC is hereby substituted in the Adopted Agreement for QuantumShift Communications, Inc.

#### 3. PROVISIONS

- 3.1 The Terms of the QuantumShift Communications, Inc. Agreement are being adopted in its entirety by CLEC pursuant to CLEC's statutory rights under Section 252(i). The filing and performance by CenturyLink of the Terms does not in any way constitute a waiver by CenturyLink of any position as to the Terms or a portion thereof, nor does it constitute a waiver by CenturyLink of any or all rights and remedies it may have to seek review of the Terms, or to seek review in any way of any provisions included in these Terms as a result of CLEC's 252(i) election.
- 3.2 Should CLEC attempt to apply the adopted Terms in a manner that conflicts with the provisions set forth herein, CenturyLink reserves its rights to seek appropriate legal and/or equitable relief.
- In processing this adoption request, CenturyLink wants to ensure that CLEC understands that it is providing a representation and warrants that it is complying with use of numbering resources and intercarrier compensation responsibilities as outlined in Section 66 of the Adopted Agreement as of the effective date of the adoption.

#### 4. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM

- 4.1 This Agreement, if an initial Agreement shall become effective on the date of Commission Approval ("Effective Date"); however the Parties may agree to implement the provisions of this Agreement upon execution by both Parties. However, the initiation of a new account, any new provision of service or obligation or any revision to currently existing services or obligations may take up to 60 days to accommodate any required initial processes.
- 4.2 In the event that the Parties currently have an existing Interconnection Agreement, this Agreement shall replace the existing Interconnection Agreement in its entirety beginning on the Effective Date. However, nothing relieves the Parties from fulfilling all obligations incurred under that prior Interconnection Agreement.

4.3 The expiration date of this Adoption Agreement shall be the same as the expiration date of the agreement that is being adopted, which is August 17, 2018.

### 5. NOTICES

Except as otherwise provided, all notices and communication hereunder will be deemed to have been duly given when made in writing and delivered in person or deposited in the U.S. mail, certified, postage paid, return receipt requested, and addressed as follows:

# To CenturyLink:

CenturyLink
Director Wholesale Contracts
930 15th Street, 6th Floor
Denver, CO 80202
Phone: 303-672-2879

Email: intagree@centurylink.com

#### To CLEC:

Peerless Network of Florida, LLC Julie Oost V. P. Regulatory Affairs Chicago, IL 60606 Phone:312-878-4137

Email: regulatory@peerlessnetwork.com

# With Copy to:

CenturyLink Legal Department Wholesale Interconnection 1801 California Street, 9th Floor

Denver, CO 80202 Phone: 303-383-6553

Email: legal.interconnection@centurylink.com

#### 6. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1 CLEC represents and warrants that it is authorized to provide telecommunications services in the State of Florida.
- The Parties will cooperate to file this Agreement with the Commission for approval and complete all attendant requirements of the Commission for such approval.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, CLEC and CenturyLink have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives.

Peerless Network of Florida, LLC  Suff Lett  739724CD269A4D5	Embarq Florida, Inc. dba CenturyLink  Diane Roth
Signature	Signature
Scott Kell	Diane Roth
Printed Name	Printed Name
EVP, Operations	Director – Wholesale
Title 10/29/2015	Title 10/29/2015
10/29/2013	10/23/2013
Date	Date