

**CLEC'S CERTIFICATION OF
FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND
CONTRIBUTION STATUS FOR THE STATE OF _____

In order for CenturyTel to satisfy the requirements of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), and for **CLEC to be exempted from payment of federal Universal Service Charges (FUSC) associated with services obtained from CenturyTel, **CLEC must certify below that it has submitted, or will submit, the FCC Form 499-A for its 200__ revenues. This certification will be taken as confirmation that **CLEC: (1) is a provider of telecommunications services; (2) has purchased CenturyTel's telecommunications services for the purposes of reselling those services to end users or other entities; and (3) is directly responsible for its own contributions to the federal Universal Service Fund (FUSF), as required by the rules and regulations of the FCC. **CLEC acknowledges that a determination of exemption from payment of CenturyTel's FUSC will be based upon the information provided by **CLEC herein. In the event that CenturyTel exempts the Customer, either wholly or partially, from payment of the FUSC based upon the information represented herein, and thereafter determines that this information is false or inaccurate, **CLEC acknowledges that it will be liable for payment of CenturyTel's FUSC for the relevant period. In such a circumstance, **CLEC also may be responsible for payment directly to the Universal Service Administrator, and any costs incurred by CenturyTel as a result of the false or inaccurate certification.

Alternatively, if **CLEC is not intending to contribute to the FUSF and submit FCC Form 499-A, **CLEC must certify below that it qualifies for an exemption from contribution to the FUSF, in accordance with the FCC's rules and regulations of same. Where **CLEC does not itself contribute to the FUSF, **CLEC may be assessed the FUSC by CenturyTel.

In addition, by **CLEC's signature below, Reseller agrees to provide CenturyTel with an updated annual certification, no later than February 1 of each calendar year, so that CenturyTel may ensure that it continues to accurately report its revenues for FUSF contribution purposes.

Certification Option 1:

I certify that _____ has filed or intends to file FCC Form 499-A for _____ year 200_ and subsequent year revenues, and will be responsible for remitting all FUSF amounts associated with the provision of services obtained from CenturyTel.

Certification Option 2:

I certify that _____ did not file FCC Form 499-A for year 200_ revenues associated with the provision of services obtained from CenturyTel and was not obligated to do so because we may claim:

- De minimis* status
- End user status
- International carrier with less than 12% domestic revenues status

Other (please explain) _____

Note that selection of Certification Option 2 will ensure that CenturyTel will remit all FUSF amounts associated with the services provided to **CLEC, and will collect these amounts – and any permissible administrative costs – from **CLEC.

**CLEC Company
Name: _____

By: _____
Authorized Company Representative

Print Name _____

Print Title _____

A duly authorized officer or other agent of **CLEC
with such signature binding **CLEC

Date _____