CENTURYLINK, INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COLE DAVID D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

CENTURYLINK, INC [CTL]

(Check all applicable)

C/O CENTURYLINK, INC., 100

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

12/02/2014

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Middle)

(Zip)

below) EVP, Controller & Ops Support

CENTURYLINK DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

MONROE, LA 71203

1. Title of

4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D)

(A)

or

(D)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 7. Nature of

Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Beneficial Owned Following Direct (D) Ownership Reported or Indirect (Instr. 4)

D

Code V Amount

Transaction(s) (I) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 4)

Common Stock

12/02/2014

\$ 190,178.9761 S 41.0549 7,525 D (2) (1)

Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COLE DAVID D C/O CENTURYLINK, INC. 100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE MONROE, LA 71203			EVP, Controller & Ops Support				

Signatures

/s/ James L. Butler, as Attorney-in-Fact for David D.
Cole
12/04/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$41.00 to \$41.10. The price reported above reflects the weighted (1) average sale price. Upon request from the SEC staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, the Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide the requesting party with full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (2) Includes 10,001.9761 shares held in the Issuer's ESPP for the benefit of the Reporting Person as of the date of this report.

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