CENTURYLINK, INC

Form 4 May 20, 2016

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Common

Stock

05/19/2016

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Ad<br>BROWN PE | Symbol              | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTURYLINK, INC [CTL] |   |                  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable) |  |                            |                      |  |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---|---|------------------|--|--|----------------------------|----------------------|--|
| (Last)                     | iddle) 3. Date of   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction   |   |                  |  |  |                            |                      |  |
|                            |                     | (Month/D  | ay/Year)                                |                  |  | _X_ Director   |                            | 6 Owner              |  |
| C/O CENTU<br>CENTURYI      | 100 05/19/20        | 05/19/2016  |   |                  | Officer (giv   | below)   | er (specify                |                      |  |
|                            | 4. If Amer          | 4. If Amendment, Date Original  |   |                  |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  |                            |                      |  |
| MONROE, I                  | Filed(Mon           | Filed(Month/Day/Year)   |   |                  |  | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |                            |                      |  |
| (City)                     | (State) (Z          | Zip) Table  | e I - Non-D                             | erivative Secur  | rities Ac  | quired, Disposed   | of, or Beneficia           | lly Owned            |  |
| 1.Title of                 | 2. Transaction Date | 2A. Deemed  | 3.                                      | 4. Securities    |  | 5. Amount of   | 6. Ownership               | 7. Nature of         |  |
| ` ,                        |                     | Execution Date, if  | * |                  |  | Securities   | Indirect                   |                      |  |
| (Instr. 3)                 |                     | any   | Code                                    | Disposed of (I   | -  | Beneficially   | (D) or                     | Beneficial           |  |
|                            |                     | (Month/Day/Year)  | (Instr. 8)                              | (Instr. 3, 4 and | 15)  | Owned Following  | Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) |  |
|                            |                     |   |   |                  |  | Reported   | (111501.4)                 | (111501.4)           |  |
|                            |                     |   |   | (A)              | )  | Transaction(s)   |                            |                      |  |
|                            |                     |   | Code V                                  | or<br>Amount (D) | Price  | (Instr. 3 and 4)   |                            |                      |  |

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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 |   | 4.                              | 5.   | 6. Date Exerc       |                    | 7. Titl                            |  | 8. Price of                          | 9. Nu   |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------|---|---------------------------------|--|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---|
| Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transacti<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |                     |                    | Amou<br>Under<br>Securi<br>(Instr. | rlying                                 | Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|                                      |   |                     |   | Code V                          | (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title                              | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |                                      |   |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BROWN PETER C
C/O CENTURYLINK, INC.
100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE
MONROE, LA 71203

## **Signatures**

/s/ Hope M. Spencer, as Attorney-in-Fact for Peter C.
Brown 05/20/2016

\*\*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).
- (1) This grant of restricted stock will vest on May 19, 2017.

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