CENTURYLINK, INC Form 4 July 15, 2016

FORM 4

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

may continue. See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PERRY HARVEY P Issuer Symbol CENTURYLINK, INC [CTL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O CENTURYLINK, INC., 100 07/13/2016 below) CENTURYLINK DRIVE (Street) 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 MONROE, LA 71203 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 7. Nature of 1. Title of Security 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Ownership Indirect Code (D) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect Following (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Price Amount (D) Common Stock 07/13/2016 $S^{(1)}$ 20,000 D \$ 31 81,435 (2) D By CommonStock 709 Ι Spouse 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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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other PERRY HARVEY P C/O CENTURYLINK, INC. X

100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE MONROE, LA 71203

Signatures

/s/ Hope M. Spencer, as Attorney-in-Fact for Harvey P. 07/15/2016 Perry

> **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) The transaction reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the Reporting Person.
- (2) Includes 1,149 shares acquired through the Issuer's DRIP since the Reporting Person's last Section 16 filing.

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