CENTURYLINK, INC

Form 4 May 16, 2014

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

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		
			CENTURYLINK, INC [CTL]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
CENTURYLINK, INC., 100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE			05/14/2014	_X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP-Controller & Ops Support		
	(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		
MONROE, I	LA 71203			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or orDisposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/14/2014		I	12,005.885	D	\$ 37.66	0	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	05/14/2014		I	2,133.791	D	\$ 37.66	0	I	By PAYSOP
Common Stock	05/14/2014		I	11,148.318	D	\$ 37.66	0	I	By Stock Bonus Plan
Common Stock							200,704.0867 (1)	D	
Common Stock							2,459.053	I	By ESOP - spouse

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			(2)
Common Stock	1,039.537	I	By PAYSOP - spouse (2)
Common Stock	4,378.778	I	By Stock Bonus Plan - spouse (2)

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Under Secur	le and unt of rlying rities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secun Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer A. D'Alessandro, as attorney-in-fact	05/16/2014
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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- * 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) Includes ESPP purchases through May 9, 2014.
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

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