CENTURYLINK, INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad POST GLEN	dress of Reporting Pers F III	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTURYLINK, INC [CTL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First) (Midd	e) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
		(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
CENTURYL	INK, INC., 100	02/20/2014	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
CENTURYLINK DRIVE			CEO & President		
	(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, L	A 71203		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City) (State) (Zip)

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie omr Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (I))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/20/2014		F	6,298	D	\$ 31.12	738,975.639 (1)	D	
Common Stock	02/20/2014		A	259,029 (2)	A	\$ 0	998,004.639 (1)	D	
Common Stock	02/20/2014		D	52,707 (3)	D	\$ 0	945,297.639 (1)	D	
Common Stock							12,400.554	I	By 401(k) plan
Common Stock							32,237.192	I	By ESOP

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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Common Stock	9,173.738	I	By PAYSOP
Common Stock	78,894.402	I	By Stock Bonus Plan

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	5	ate	Amou Under Secur	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
POST GLEN F III CENTURYLINK, INC. 100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE MONROE, LA 71203	X		CEO & President				
Signatures							

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer A. D'Alessandro, as attorney-in-fact 02/24/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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- (1) Includes ESPP purchases through February 20, 2014.
 - 40% of the grant vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 20, 2015; 30% vests on February 20, 2017 based upon satisfaction of performance conditions related to the issuer's revenue for 2014, 2015 and 2016; and 30% vests on February 20, 2017 based
- (2) upon satisfaction of conditions related to the issuer's total relative shareholder return for 2014, 2015 and 2016; in each case provided that the reporting person remains employed by the issuer over the vesting period (except in the case of death, disability or certain terminations of employment following a change of control).
 - In a Form 4 filed on June 2, 2011, the reporting person reported the grant of 105,414 shares of restricted stock, 52,707 of which would vest based upon achievement of performance conditions related to the issuer's total shareholder return over specified time periods. On
- February 20, 2014, the issuer determined that the performance conditions had not been satisfied and, as a result, the performance-vesting shares were forfeited.

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