CENTURYLINK, INC Form 8-K November 15, 2013

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 14, 2013

CenturyLink, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana (State or other jurisdiction

1-7784 (Commission **72-0651161** (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

100 CenturyLink Drive

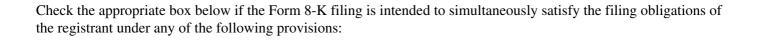
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Monroe, Louisiana (Address of principal executive offices) (318) 388-9000

(Zip Code)

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)



- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- " Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On November 14, 2013, CenturyLink, Inc. (CenturyLink) issued a press release announcing that it agreed to sell \$750 million of newly-issued unsecured senior notes due 2023. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Forward Looking Statements

This report includes certain forward-looking statements, estimates and projections that are based on current expectations only, and are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions, many of which are beyond the control of CenturyLink and Owest Communications. Actual events and results may differ materially from those anticipated, estimated or projected if one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or if underlying assumptions prove incorrect. Factors that could affect actual results include but are not limited to: the possibility that Owest Communications existing noteholders will not be receptive to the pending tender offer on the terms described above or at all; CenturyLink s failure to satisfy the conditions to the underwriters obligation to consummate the offering; the possibility that corporate developments could preclude, impair or delay the above-described transactions due to restrictions under the federal securities laws; changes in the terms or availability of CenturyLink s credit facility; changes in CenturyLink s credit ratings; changes in CenturyLink s cash requirements, financial position, financing plans or investment plans; changes in general market, economic, tax, regulatory or industry conditions that impact the ability or willingness of CenturyLink or Qwest Communications to consummate the above-described transactions on the terms described above or at all; CenturyLink s continued access to credit markets on favorable terms; and other risks referenced from time to time in CenturyLink s and Qwest Communications filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. There can be no assurances that the above-described transactions will be consummated on the terms described above or at all. You should be aware that new factors may emerge from time to time and it is not possible for CenturyLink to identify all such factors, nor can CenturyLink predict the impact of each such factor on its plans, or the extent to which any one or more factors may cause actual results to differ from those reflected in any forward-looking statements. You are further cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this report. Neither CenturyLink nor Qwest Communications undertake any obligation to update any of its forward-looking statements for any reason.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

The exhibit to this current report on Form 8-K is listed in the Exhibit Index, which appears at the end of this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this current report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CenturyLink, Inc.

By: /s/ Stacey W. Goff Stacey W. Goff

Executive Vice President,

General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: November 14, 2013

Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated November 14, 2013 announcing pricing of debt offering.

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