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Ravalli County Commissioners

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September 3, 2013

CenturyLink has audited the Federal Universal Service Fund (FUSF) charge exemption on our customers' accounts. During that review, we determined that your account(s) has an exemption for the charge but does not appear to qualify for the exemption.

The FUSF charge is assessed on interstate and/or international telecommunications services and interconnected Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) service. Generally companies that qualify for a FUSF exemption are telecommunications carriers that are direct contributors to the Federal Universal Service Fund.

Because you do not appear to be a telecommunications company, we will be removing the FUSF exemption from your account effective 30 days from the date of this letter. In turn, any applicable FUSF charges for the services you are purchasing from CenturyLink will be assessed after that date.

Please note that not-for-profit tax exempt entities do not qualify for an FUSF exemption. Tax exemption rules do not apply, since the FUSF charge is not a tax but a charge.

If you have any questions regarding this email, or if your company is an FUSF exempt telecommunications carrier, please email CenturyLink at certquestions@centurylink.com.

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