

# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public  
Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the  
Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
<b>POST GLEN F III</b>	<b>CENTURYLINK, INC [ CTL ]</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
<b>CENTURYLINK, INC., 100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE</b>	<b>3/15/2012</b>	<b>CEO &amp; President</b>
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
<b>MONROE, LA 71203</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	3/15/2012		D		2528 (1)	D	\$ 0	784964.6373	D	
Common Stock	3/15/2012		F		20683	D	\$39.21	764281.6373	D	
Common Stock								10831.0593	I	By 401(k) plan
Common Stock								28157.0439	I	By ESOP
Common Stock								8012.6503	I	By PAYSOP
Common Stock								68909.0148	I	By Stock Bonus Plan

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned ( e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

### Explanation of Responses:

- (1) In a Form 4 filed on March 10, 2010, the reporting person reported the grant of 126,400 shares of restricted stock, 63,200 of which would vest based upon achievement of performance conditions related to the issuer's total shareholder return over specified time periods. On March 15, 2012, the issuer determined that the performance conditions for the first of the two vesting dates had been satisfied at 92% and, as a result, 92% of the first tranche was vested and the remainder was forfeited.

**Reporting Owners**

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

**Signatures**/s/ Jennifer A. D'Alessandro, as attorney-in-fact3/19/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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