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

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 26, 2019**

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**CenturyLink, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Louisiana**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-7784**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**72-0651161**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**100 CenturyLink Drive**  
**Monroe, Louisiana**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**71203**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (318) 388-9000**

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ 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))

**Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:**

Title of Each Class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share	CTL	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On July 29, 2019, CenturyLink, Inc. issued a press release announcing the partial redemption of 6.125% Senior Notes due 2021 issued by one its wholly-owned subsidiaries, a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	<a href="#"><u>Press Release dated July 29, 2019 announcing the partial redemption of 6.125% Senior Notes due 2021</u></a>

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, CenturyLink, Inc. has duly caused this Current Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned officer hereunto duly authorized.

**CENTURYLINK, INC.**

By: /s/ Eric J. Mortensen

Eric J. Mortensen

Senior Vice President and Controller

Dated: July 29, 2019



### **CenturyLink Issues Redemption Notice for Senior Notes**

**MONROE, La., July 29, 2019** – CenturyLink, Inc. (NYSE: CTL) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Level 3 Financing, Inc., issued a notice on July 26, 2019 to partially redeem its 6.125% Senior Notes due 2021 (the “Notes”).

Pursuant to the terms of the Notes, on August 25, 2019 (the “Redemption Date”), \$400 million of the \$640 million in outstanding principal amount of the Notes will be redeemed at a redemption price equal to 100% of par (the “Redemption Price”). In addition to the Redemption Price, accrued and unpaid interest of \$22.12 per \$1,000 principal amount of the Notes will be paid on the Redemption Date.

This transaction continues CenturyLink’s focus on deleveraging and further strengthening its balance sheet to meet its 2.75x-3.25x net leverage objective within the next three years.

Additional information regarding the redemption is available from The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Bank.

### **Forward Looking Statements**

*Except for historical and factual information, the matters set forth in this release and other of our oral or written statements identified by words such as “continues,” “estimates,” “expects,” “anticipates,” “believes,” “plans,” “intends,” and similar expressions are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future results and are based on current expectations only, are inherently speculative, and are subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. Actual events and results may differ materially from those anticipated, estimated, projected or implied by us in those statements. You are cautioned not to unduly rely upon our forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. We may change our intentions, strategies or plans (including our plans expressed herein) without notice at any time and for any reason.*

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## About CenturyLink

CenturyLink (NYSE: CTL) is a technology leader delivering hybrid networking, cloud connectivity, and security solutions to customers located in more than 60 countries. Through its extensive global fiber network, CenturyLink provides secure and reliable services to meet the growing digital demands of businesses and consumers. CenturyLink strives to be the trusted connection to the networked world and is focused on delivering technology that enhances the customer experience. Learn more at <http://news.centurylink.com/>.

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