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Section 30(h) 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)
EWING R STEWART JR	CENTURYLINK, INC [CTL]	<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Ex. VP & CFO
<div style="text-align: center;"> (Last) (First) (Middle) </div> C/O CENTURYLINK, INC., 100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) 2/20/2016	
<div style="text-align: center;"> (Street) </div> MONROE, LA 71203 <div style="text-align: center;"> (City) (State) (Zip) </div>	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Form filed by One Reporting Person <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	2/20/2016		F (1)		2338	D	\$29.73	194439	D	
Common Stock								1692	I	by 401(k) Plan
Common Stock								9113	I	by ESOP (2)
Common Stock								1886	I	by PAYSOP (2)
Common Stock								8777	I	by Stock Bonus Plan (2)

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	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Shares withheld to cover the taxes due upon the vesting of restricted stock.
- (2) This is a legacy defined contribution plan sponsored by the Issuer.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
EWING R STEWART JR C/O CENTURYLINK, INC. 100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE MONROE, LA 71203			Ex. VP & CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Hope M. Spencer, as Attorney-in-Fact for R. Stewart Ewing, Jr.

2/23/2016

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).

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