
**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): February 1, 2021

Lumen Technologies, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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 registrants' principal executive offices)

71203
(Zip Code)

Qwest Corporation
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Colorado
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-03040
(Commission
File Number)

84-0273800
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

100 CenturyLink Drive
Monroe, Louisiana
(Address of registrant's principal executive offices)

80021
(Zip Code)

Registrants' telephone number, including area code: (318) 388-9000

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:

Registrant	Title of Each Class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
CenturyLink, Inc.	Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share	LUMN	New York Stock Exchange
CenturyLink, Inc.	Preferred Stock Purchase Rights	N/A	New York Stock Exchange

Qwest Corporation
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7.00% Notes Due 2056
6.5% Notes Due 2056
6.75% Notes Due 2057

CTAA
CTBB
CTDD

New York Stock Exchange
New York Stock Exchange
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. ☐

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 1, 2021, Lumen Technologies, Inc. issued a press release announcing that its indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary, Qwest Corporation (“Qwest”), issued notices to redeem all \$235 million outstanding aggregate principal amount of its 7.00% Notes due 2056 (the “Qwest Notes”).

That press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full. This Current Report on Form 8-K does not constitute a notice of redemption with respect to the Qwest Notes.

Forward-Looking Statements

Except for historical and factual information, the matters set forth in this Current Report on Form 8-K identified by words such as “will,” “should,” “expects,” “anticipates,” “believes,” “plans,” “intends,” and similar expressions are forward-looking statements as defined by the federal securities laws, and are subject to the “safe harbor” protections thereunder. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future results and are based on current expectations only, and are subject to various uncertainties. Actual events and results may differ materially from those anticipated by us in those statements for several reasons, including those discussed in Exhibit 99.1. We may change our intentions or plans discussed in our forward-looking statements without notice at any time and for any reason.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

Exhibit No.	Description
4.1	<u>Indenture, dated as of October 15, 1999, by and between US West Communications, Inc. (currently named Qwest Corporation) and Bank One Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(b) to Qwest Corporation’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999 (File No. 001-03040) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 3, 2000).</u>
4.2	<u>Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture, dated as of January 29, 2016, by and between Qwest Corporation and U.S. Bank National Association (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.16 of Qwest Corporation’s Form 8-A (File No. 001-03040) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 29, 2016).</u>
99.1	<u>Press Release dated February 1, 2021, announcing the issuances of notices to redeem the Qwest Notes.</u>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted in iXBRL in Exhibit 101).

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, CenturyLink, Inc. and Qwest Corporation have duly caused this Current Report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned officer hereunto duly authorized.

LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By: /s/ Eric J. Mortensen
Eric J. Mortensen
Senior Vice President and Controller

QWEST CORPORATION

By: /s/ Eric J. Mortensen
Eric J. Mortensen
Senior Vice President and Controller

Dated: February 1, 2021

Lumen announces issuance of notices to redeem Qwest Corporation Notes

DENVER, Feb. 1, 2021 — Lumen Technologies (NYSE: LUMN) announced today that Qwest Corporation, its indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary (“Qwest”), issued notices to redeem all \$235 million outstanding aggregate principal amount of its 7.00% Notes due 2056 (the “Qwest Notes”).

Pursuant to these notices, on Feb. 16, 2021, all \$235 million outstanding principal amount of the Qwest Notes will be redeemed at par plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date. Additional information regarding the redemption of the Qwest Notes is available from U.S. Bank National Association.

This press release does not constitute a notice of redemption with respect to the Qwest Notes.

About Lumen Technologies

Lumen is guided by our belief that humanity is at its best when technology advances the way we live and work. With approximately 450,000 route fiber miles and serving customers in more than 60 countries, we deliver the fastest, most secure platform for applications and data to help businesses, government and communities deliver amazing experiences.

Learn more about the Lumen network, edge cloud, security, communication and collaboration solutions and our purpose to further human progress through technology at news.lumen.com, LinkedIn: /lumentechologies, Twitter: @lumentechco, Facebook: /lumentechologies, Instagram: @lumentechologies and YouTube: /lumentechologies. Lumen and Lumen Technologies are registered trademarks of Lumen Technologies LLC in the United States. Lumen Technologies LLC is a wholly-owned affiliate of Lumen Technologies Inc.

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