#### CENTURYLINK, INC

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * POST GLEN F III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTURYLINK, INC [CTL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Choose an approach)		
C/O CENTURYLINK, INC., 100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE		C., 100	(Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2015	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  CEO & President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
MONROE, LA	A 71203		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie oner Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	d of (I	<b>)</b> )	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)	
Common Stock	02/20/2015		F(1)	21,371	D	\$ 37.02	882,544.521	D		
Common Stock	02/20/2015		D(2)	58,844	D	\$ 0	823,700.521	D		
Common Stock	02/23/2015		A(3)	219,400	A	\$ 0	1,043,100.521 (4)	D		
Common Stock							13,120.867	I	by 401(k) Plan	
Common Stock							34,109.758	I	by ESOP	
							9,706.614	I		

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Common Stock

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83,477.151 I Bonus Plan (5)

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. etiorNumber of Securitic Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3 4, and 5	(Month/Day, ve es d d	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
				Code	V (A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
POST GLEN F III C/O CENTURYLINK, INC. 100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE MONROE, LA 71203	X		CEO & President				

# **Signatures**

Hope M. Spencer, as Attorney-in-Fact for Glenn F. Post, III 02/24/2015

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Reporting Owners 2

Date

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### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- (1) Shares withheld to cover the taxes due upon the vesting of restricted stock.
- (2) On February 20, 2015 these shares of unvested restricted stock were forfeited due to a failure to achieve the applicable performance vesting condition.
- Represents a grant of restricted stock (40% time-based and 60% performance-based). The time-based portion will vest in three equal annual installments beginning one year from the date of grant. The performance-based portion is divided among two separate three-year performance metrics, which will vest on February 23, 2018 to the extent that the applicable metric is achieved.
- (4) Includes 1,401.8837 shares held in the Issuer's ESPP for the benefit of the Reporting Person as of the date of this report.
- (5) This is a legacy defined contribution plan sponsored by the Issuer.

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