GOFF STACEY W

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person _ GOFF STACEY W	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				
	(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
CENTURYLINK, INC., 100	02/27/2012	X Officer (give title Other (specify			
CENTURYLINK DRIVE		below) below)			
CLIVIORIEM WE		Ex. VP & Gen. Counsel			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
		X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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Person

MONROE, LA 71203

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		d of (D)	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	02/27/2012		S	29,944	D	39.9911 (1)	126,862	D	
Common Stock							1,664.0574	I	By 401(k) plan
Common Stock							2,298.0961	I	By ESOP
Common Stock							506.9747	I	By Stock Bonus Plan

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		
	Security				Acquired						
	·				(A) or						
					Disposed						
					of (D)						
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date		Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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100 CENTURYLINK DRIVE
MONROE, LA 71203

Ex. VP &
Gen.
Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer A. D'Alessandro, as attorney-in-fact 02/28/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$39.97 to \$40.01, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this Form 4.

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