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Bond No. 6032314

LICENSE OR PERMIT BOND

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, CenturyTel Network, L.L.C.  
as Principal, of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street and Number)  
and the Safeco Insurance Company of America

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_  
(State) Washington corporation, as Surety, are held and firmly

bound unto City of Whiting  
1443 119th Street, Whiting, IN 46394, as Oblige, in the sum of  
Five Thousand no/100 Dollars (\$ 5,000.00 )

for which sum, well and truly to be paid, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this 17th day of May, 2000.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That WHEREAS, the Principal has been or is about to be granted a license or permit to do business as Laying of Fiber Optic Cable

by the Oblige.

NOW, THEREFORE, if the Principal well and truly comply with applicable local ordinances, and conduct business in conformity therewith, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER:

- This bond shall continue in force:
  - Until CONTINUOUS, \_\_\_\_\_, or until the date of expiration of any Continuation Certificate executed by the Surety
  - OR
  - Until canceled as herein provided.
- This bond may be canceled by the Surety by the sending of notice in writing to the Oblige, stating when, not less than thirty days thereafter, liability hereunder shall terminate as to subsequent acts or omissions of the Principal.

CENTURYTEL NETWORK, L.L.C.  
Principal

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Countersignature:

Frank S. Treco  
Frank S. Treco, IN Resident Agent  
Marsh USA Inc, Indianapolis, IN

SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

By Lois Everage  
Lois Everage, Attorney-in-Fact

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CASH



POWER OF ATTORNEY

SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA  
GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA  
HOME OFFICE: SAFECO PLAZA  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98185

No. 7496

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

That SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA and GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA, each a Washington corporation, does each hereby appoint

\*\*\*\*\*KATHLEEN C. GREENBAUM; JOSEPHINE D. LEBLANC; JUDITH G. GRACE; OUIDA S. TURNER; LOIS EVERAGE; New Orleans, Louisiana\*\*\*\*\*

its true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact, with full authority to execute on its behalf fidelity and surety bonds or undertakings and other documents of a similar character issued in the course of its business, and to bind the respective company thereby.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA and GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA have each executed and attested these presents

this 8th day of May, 2000

*R.A. Pierson*

R.A. PIERSON, SECRETARY

*W. Randall Stoddard*

W. RANDALL STODDARD, PRESIDENT

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Extract from the By-Laws of SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA and of GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA:

"Article V, Section 13. - FIDELITY AND SURETY BONDS ... the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, and any Assistant Vice President appointed for that purpose by the officer in charge of surety operations, shall each have authority to appoint individuals as attorneys-in-fact or under other appropriate titles with authority to execute on behalf of the company fidelity and surety bonds and other documents of similar character issued by the company in the course of its business... On any instrument making or evidencing such appointment, the signatures may be affixed by facsimile. On any instrument conferring such authority or on any bond or undertaking of the company, the seal, or a facsimile thereof, may be impressed or affixed or in any other manner reproduced; provided, however, that the seal shall not be necessary to the validity of any such instrument or undertaking."

Extract from a Resolution of the Board of Directors of SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA and of GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA adopted July 28, 1970.

"On any certificate executed by the Secretary or an assistant secretary of the Company setting out,

- (i) The provisions of Article V, Section 13 of the By-Laws, and
- (ii) A copy of the power-of-attorney appointment, executed pursuant thereto, and
- (iii) Certifying that said power-of-attorney appointment is in full force and effect,

the signature of the certifying officer may be by facsimile, and the seal of the Company may be a facsimile thereof."

I, R.A. Pierson, Secretary of SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA and of GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA, do hereby certify that the foregoing extracts of the By-Laws and of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of these corporations, and of a Power of Attorney issued pursuant thereto, are true and correct, and that both the By-Laws, the Resolution and the Power of Attorney are still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the facsimile seal of said corporation

this 17th day of May, 2000



*R.A. Pierson*

R.A. PIERSON, SECRETARY