CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY d/b/a CENTURYLINK
FRANCHISE EXTENSION AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, on June 16, 1998, the Clark County, Nevada, Board of County Commissioners awarded a 10-year franchise to Central Telephone Company, now doing business as CenturyLink (“CenturyLink”), to construct, operate and maintain a telecommunications utility system to provide subscription service and all necessary or proper appliances used in connection therewith or appurtenant thereto in certain portions of the unincorporated area of Clark County, Nevada, as evidenced by a franchise agreement dated the same date (the “Franchise Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2008 and subsequent thereto, Clark County and CenturyLink have extended the original franchise agreement up to and including March 17, 2011, under the same terms and conditions as the existing franchise agreement to allow sufficient time to consider aspects of a proposed renewal agreement; and

WHEREAS, Clark County and CenturyLink desire to extend the original Franchise Agreement for an additional period not to exceed three months under the same terms and conditions as the existing Franchise Agreement to finalize the proposed renewal agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. The existing Franchise Agreement is extended beginning March 17, 2011, for a period not to exceed three months until June 17, 2011, or until a new franchise is granted to CenturyLink by the Clark County Board of County Commissioners, whichever occurs first (the “Extension Period”), during which time the parties agree to work together to develop a new franchise agreement.

2. During the Extension Period, all the terms and conditions set forth in the Franchise Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

3. This Franchise Extension Agreement shall be without prejudice to any rights of either party under any federal, state or local laws or regulations. Other than extending the term of the Franchise Agreement for the duration of the Extension Period, this Franchise Extension Agreement shall not expand or limit the rights of either party, create new rights that would not have existed without the extension, or adversely affect either party’s rights in any renewal proceeding. No claim that either party may have against the other shall be released or otherwise affected by this Franchise Extension Agreement.

APPROVED this 15th day of MARCH, 2011.

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: ________________________________

ATTEST: ________________________________

SUSAN BRAGER, Chair

DIANA ALBA, County Clerk
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE

BY: ____________________________
    MARK E. WOOD
    Deputy District Attorney

CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY
d/b/a CENTURYLINK

BY: ____________________________
    JEFF OBERSCHELP
    Vice President & General Manager