

CENTURYLINK, INC  
Form 8-K  
March 25, 2013

**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): March 21, 2013

**CenturyLink, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

1-7784  
(Commission  
File Number)

72-0651161  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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**100 CenturyLink Drive**  
**Monroe, Louisiana**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**(318) 388-9000**

**71203**  
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

(b) James E. Ousley, Chief Executive Officer, Savvis Operations, will retire effective April 1, 2013. A press release announcing his retirement is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

The exhibits to this current report on Form 8-K are listed in the Exhibit Index, which appears at the end of this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**CenturyLink, Inc.**

By: /s/ Stacey W. Goff  
Stacey W. Goff  
Executive Vice President,  
General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: March 25, 2013

**Exhibit Index**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release Announcing the Retirement of James E. Ousley dated March 21, 2013