#### IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title:

\*Pay claim of CenturyLink in the sum of \$12,476 involving Water

Bureau. (Ordinance)

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## Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

This Ordinance settles a property damage claim brought against the City of Portland by CenturyLink for damage resulting from excavation work by the Portland Water Bureau on June 3, 2014. The excavation work by the Water Bureau cut through two sets of CenturyLink bundled phone cables. The location of the phone cables had been properly marked on the pavement by CenturyLink.

# Financial and budgetary impacts:

This legislation will have no impact on City revenue.

Total cost to the City to settle the claim is \$12,475.59. The source of funding is the City's Insurance and Claims Fund. All cost of the settlement is in the current fiscal year. This Ordinance does not amend the budget.

## Community impacts and community involvement:

This Ordinance settles a tort claim resulting from excavation work damaging the claimant's underground utility lines. No public involvement or input was sought regarding this Ordinance. The City Attorney's Office and Risk Management have concluded that it is not appropriate to have public involvement in settlement negotiations regarding tort claims or lawsuits against the City.

No future public involvement is anticipated or necessary. Approval by City Council of this Ordinance will fully settle a tort claim against the City of Portland.

### **Budgetary Impact Worksheet**

Does this action change appropriations?	
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