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Message from the Chair

We had almost 100 retirees from across the country attend our recent annual meeting on Zoom. Although we could not gather in the same room, we heard speakers from Vancouver, St. Louis and Washington DC! We hope you will find this partial transcript of the 90-minute meeting interesting. Let us know what you think.

Steve Grabow helped us understand the business and priorities of Lumen. Steve's message was very positive and encouraging for the future and helped me feel comfortable with Lumen's strong position in the industry going forward.

Also joining us was Marina Pearson, VP of Benefits and Policy for Lumen. It is always a pleasure hearing from Marina. She spent most of her time explaining a new healthcare plan developed by Lumen for post-1990 retirees.

After Marina's message we heard from Alyson Parker with NRLN. She let us know what the NRLN is focusing on, what retirement issues are most concerning to us as retirees, and what impacts may spread to our

organization. I found it interesting that de-risking is getting to be a big issue again.

Since this is just an overview of the meeting, I invite you to find and enjoy the partial transcript of the 90-minute meeting included in this issue of The Retiree Guardian. Let me know what you think of it.

In closing, let me again thank everyone for their hard work to make this Zoom meeting a success. There are lots of things going on the background to make this technology understandable and as comfortable as possible. Let us know what you liked as well as what may not have worked well for you. The meeting was recorded and will be available on our website: CenturyLink Retirees (cltretirees.org).

Look for more information on annual enrollment as well as other items as they come to our attention.

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