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## CenturyLink Schedules Fourth Quarter 2009 Earnings Conference Call

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MONROE, La., Jan. 20 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- CenturyLink (CenturyTel, Inc., NYSE: CTL) plans to release its fourth quarter 2009 earnings results before the market opens on Thursday, February 25, 2010, and host a related conference call at 10:30 a.m. CST that day.

The conference call will be streamed live over CenturyLink's Web site at [ir.centurylink.com](http://ir.centurylink.com). Interested parties can also access the call by dialing 866.219.5894 five minutes prior to the start of the call. A digital recording of the call will be available beginning at 2:30 p.m. CST on February 25, 2010 and ending March 3, 2010, at 11:59 p.m. CST. The replay can be accessed by calling 888.266.2081 and entering the access code: 1427251. A replay of the call will also be available on the Web site beginning at 2:00 p.m. CST on February 25, 2010 and ending March 17, 2010, at 11:59 p.m. CDT.

CenturyLink is a leading provider of high-quality voice, broadband and video services over its advanced communications networks to consumers and businesses in 33 states. CenturyLink, headquartered in Monroe, La., is an S&P 500 Company and expects to be listed in the Fortune 500 list of America's largest corporations. For more information on CenturyLink, visit <http://www.centurylink.com>.

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