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CenturyLink Wins HPE 2017 Global Service Provider of the Year

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CenturyLink recognized for business excellence and customer satisfaction

MONROE, La., June 6, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- **CenturyLink, Inc.** (NYSE: CTL) today announced it has won the 2017 Hewlett Packard Enterprise Global Service Provider of the Year award. This well-known award, presented at HPE's Global Partner Summit, recognizes CenturyLink's outstanding performance and accomplishments that raise the standard for business excellence and customer satisfaction.

"We are honored by HPE's recognition," said Bill Corbin, senior vice president, Alliances and Strategic Partnerships for CenturyLink. "As a global communications provider, we bring together technology, services and expertise that connect many of the world's largest brands to the power of the digital world. Our strong partnership with HPE has helped us provide many of these crucial connections."

Winners are chosen for driving meaningful business results for shared customers with HPE.

"As businesses map out a path to the cloud, they need flexibility in how they consume IT services," said Steve Dietch, vice president, Worldwide Service Provider Business, HPE. "CenturyLink services, powered by HPE, enable clients to more effectively leverage a cloud environment in lockstep with their business strategy across infrastructure, information and critical applications, and we are delighted to acknowledge CenturyLink for its leadership in this area."

As a partner in the HPE Partner Ready for Service Providers Program, CenturyLink provides HPE customers access to CenturyLink services such as managed hosting, storage, cloud, application services, big data solutions and colocation. These services, offered on HPE infrastructure solutions and technologies, provide compelling value for organizations seeking hybrid IT solutions. CenturyLink complements the HPE portfolio with a deep breadth of



hybrid solutions that deliver business agility, including **CenturyLink Cloud Application Manager**, a cloud-agnostic management platform that enables companies to better manage applications and workloads across hybrid hosting environments.

For more info on HPE solutions, visit: www.hpe.com/info/sp.

About CenturyLink

CenturyLink (NYSE: CTL) is a global communications and IT services company focused on connecting its customers to the power of the digital world. CenturyLink offers network and data systems management, big data analytics, managed security services, hosting, cloud, and IT consulting services. The company provides broadband, voice, video, advanced data and managed network services over a robust 265,000-route-mile U.S. fiber network and a 360,000-route-mile international transport network. Visit **CenturyLink** for more information.

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