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CenturyLink working with local authorities during Colorado wildfires

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COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., June 28, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Because Colorado Springs is impacted by the Waldo Canyon wildfire, **CenturyLink, Inc.** (NYSE: CTL) is working with local authorities to keep communications services working for area residents. The company has set up phone banks at Cheyenne Mountain High School and Southeastern YMCA in Colorado Springs, Palmer High School in Monument and Summit Elementary School in Divide. These phone banks are open to the public 24 hours a day and feature free local, long distance and directory assistance.

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In addition, CenturyLink is offering free emergency call forwarding service for customers impacted by the wildfire. This service enables customers to have phone calls to their homes and small businesses automatically forwarded to an alternative number of their choice. Customers can set up this service for up to 30 consecutive days at no charge by contacting 800-573-1311 for residential accounts, 800-954-1211 for small business accounts and 800-690-1611 for Spanish-speaking customers.

"CenturyLink is working hard to protect critical communications services for those who are bravely fighting these fires, as well as helping our customers stay connected in these difficult times," said Penny Larson, CenturyLink's interim vice president and general manager for Southern Colorado. "Whether it is updating friends, family or customers, we are doing all we can to help our community with these services in this time of need."

About CenturyLink

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