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CenturyLink's 1 Gbps service is now available to 4,400 business locations in Iowa

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DES MOINES, Iowa, May 18, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- **CenturyLink, Inc.** (NYSE: CTL) today announced the availability of 1 gigabit per second (Gbps) fiber speeds to approximately 4,400 business locations throughout Iowa as part of a national fiber network upgrade that expanded availability of CenturyLink's gigabit broadband services to nearly 490,000 business locations in 17 states.

As part of CenturyLink's gigabit service launch in Iowa, speeds up to 1 Gbps are now available to select business locations in these communities: Clive, Des Moines, Johnston, Urbandale, West Des Moines, and Windsor Heights.

"CenturyLink is continuing to deliver on its promise to push fiber deeper into its network, enabling speeds of up to 1 gigabit per second to businesses in the Des Moines metro area," said Tim White, vice president of operations for Iowa and Missouri.

High-speed broadband connectivity makes it easier for businesses to work in the cloud, upload and download large multimedia files, stream video content and back-up data in real time. With symmetrical upload and download speeds of up to 1 Gbps, fiber service from CenturyLink outperforms the slower upload speeds available through basic business broadband providers, including many cable companies.

CenturyLink uses Fiber-To-The-Premises (FTTP) technology to provide speeds of up to 1 Gbps to businesses located near the company's fiber network backbone or in fiber-fed multi-tenant unit office buildings.

In addition to providing fiber connectivity, CenturyLink can manage a range of IT services for small and mid-sized business customers. CenturyLink's **Managed Office** is a complete IT and phone system solution that includes managed voice, data, security, infrastructure and cloud-based business applications for a low monthly fee.

Managed services from CenturyLink are designed for businesses that want enterprise-class IT capabilities yet do not have enough in-house time or expertise to implement and maintain new technology. CenturyLink handles the day-to-day work of installing, managing and updating IT systems on behalf of businesses, which enables them to shift internal resources to more strategic projects.

Business customers can visit www.centurylink.com/iowa to learn more about CenturyLink's fiber-based services, including speeds up to 1 Gbps, and to determine if service is available in their location.

About CenturyLink

CenturyLink (NYSE: CTL) is a global communications, hosting, cloud and IT services company enabling millions of customers to transform their businesses and their lives through innovative technology solutions. CenturyLink offers network and data systems management, Big Data analytics and IT consulting, and operates more than 55 data centers in North America, Europe and Asia. The company provides broadband, voice, video, data and managed services over a robust 250,000-route-mile U.S. fiber network and a 300,000-route-mile international transport network. Visit **CenturyLink** for more information.

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