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## CenturyTel Declares Quarterly Cash Dividend

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MONROE, La., May 22 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- CenturyTel, Inc. (NYSE: CTL) today announced that its Board of Directors voted to declare a quarterly cash dividend of \$.0650 per share, payable on June 15, 2007, to shareholders of record on June 4, 2007.

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