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CenturyTel to Participate in Analyst Conference

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CenturyTel, Inc. (NYSE: CTL) announces that it is scheduled to participate in the following analyst conference:

Citigroup
Annual Global Entertainment, Media & Telecommunications Conference
Wednesday, January 10, 2007

Conference hosts may provide webcast availability in some cases. For information regarding the specific presentation times and webcast availability, please visit CenturyTel's Web site at www.centurytel.com, Investor Relations, Calendar of Events. Participation in these conferences is subject to change due to unforeseen events. Therefore, please check the company's Investor Relations Calendar of Events prior to each conference.

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