

# CenturyLink to Expand Network Infrastructure in Midland-Odessa

## New fiber investment will increase network capabilities

**Midland, Texas., Sept. 26, 2019** – To support the growing demand for enterprise services in the oil and gas industry, as well as other organizations, [CenturyLink, Inc.](https://www.centurylink.com) (NYSE: CTL) is making a strategic investment to expand its network infrastructure in Midland-Odessa, Texas.

“With this network investment in the Permian Basin, CenturyLink is demonstrating its commitment to a community that is poised for tremendous growth in Texas,” said Nick Shafer, vice president and general manager, CenturyLink. “We understand the importance of a secure and reliable network that delivers advanced technology solutions to support the evolution of business, not only for the Midland and Odessa area, but globally as well.”

This investment includes expanding the current footprint by more than 13 route miles of fiber, creating a ring for the Midland-Odessa area to support the expanding energy sector corporations and other businesses, while managing the increasing demand for high-speed internet and data capacity on CenturyLink’s robust global network.

“We’re pleased that CenturyLink has recognized the incredible opportunities in the Permian Basin and Midland-Odessa areas and has decided to expand their network infrastructure,” stated Stephen M. Robertson, executive vice president, Permian Basin Petroleum Association. “The prosperity produced in the Permian Basin has necessitated the expansion of all types of infrastructure, and communications infrastructure is no exception. Enhanced fiber connectivity is critical for our community and we are excited our members and industry can take advantage of this new investment and CenturyLink’s scalable, global network.”

The Midland-Odessa initial infrastructure design began in November-2018 and construction is expected to be completed by the end of October-2019.

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### About CenturyLink

CenturyLink (NYSE: CTL) is a technology leader delivering hybrid networking, cloud connectivity, and security solutions to customers around the world. Through its extensive global fiber network, CenturyLink provides secure and reliable services to meet the growing digital demands of businesses and consumers. CenturyLink strives to be the trusted connection to the networked

world and is focused on delivering technology that enhances the customer experience. Learn more at <http://news.centurylink.com/>.

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