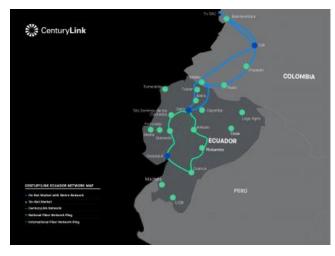
CenturyLink expands its fiber optic network in Ecuador



Infrastructure expansion and network coverage provide corporate customers greater speed and broadband availability.

QUITO, Ecuador, June 15, 2020 / PRNewswire / -- To facilitate technological development and digital transformation of businesses in need of connectivity, IT infrastructure and presence in the cloud, CenturyLink, Inc. (NYSE: CTL), a leading technology company, has expanded its network infrastructure in Ecuador.

CenturyLink implemented and launched a new fiber optic route with 800 kilometers (approx. 497 miles) of new fiber connecting Ecuador to Colombia, from the city of Quito to Cali. With 600 gigabits of capacity, this route enables a 100% redundant connectivity between the two countries for all the company's services and is integrated with the SAC (South American Crossing) subsea system.

Additionally, to meet enterprise, ISP and the government high-speed service demands in Ecuador, CenturyLink is finalizing the implementation of a national ring with an extension of approximately 1000 kilometers (approx. 621 miles) and 600 gigabits of capacity. This will help connect some of the main markets in the country, such as Quito, Santo Domingo, Quevedo, Guayaquil, Cuenca and Ambato.

"At CenturyLink, we understand the importance of continually expanding and renewing our infrastructure, and offering high quality services to our customers, through fast and secure connections," commented Wilmer Puerta, director for Connectivity Products in CenturyLink Ecuador. "This is why the end-to-end management of this extension will allow us to be more competitive in the market and offer the best support and service level in connectivity services to local and regional companies."

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

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