CENTURYTEL INC Form S-8 POS June 25, 2007

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Registration No. 333-109181

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

CenturyTel, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

72-0651161

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

100 CenturyTel Drive Monroe, Louisiana71203

(Address, including zip code, of Principal Executive Offices)

CenturyTel Dollars & Sense Plan and Trust

(Full title of the plans)

Stacey W. Goff
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
CenturyTel, Inc.
100 CenturyTel Drive

Monroe, Louisiana71203 (318) 388-9500

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copy to:

Margaret F. Murphy Jones, Walker, Waechter, Poitevent, Carrère & Denègre, L.L.P. 201 St. Charles Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana70170-5100

DEREGISTRATION

In accordance with the undertakings contained in Part II of this Registration Statement No. 333-109181, the Registrant hereby files this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to remove from registration all of the securities registered under this Registration Statement (consisting of shares of common stock, preference share purchase rights and participation interests in the plan) that remain unsold on the date hereof.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Monroe, State of Louisiana, on June 22, 2007.

CenturyTel, Inc.

By: /s/Glen F. Post, III
Glen F. Post, III
Chairman of the Board and
Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/Glen F. Post, III Glen F. Post, III	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer	June 22, 2007
* R. Stewart Ewing, Jr.	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	June 22, 2007
* Neil A. Sweasy	Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	June 22, 2007
* William R. Boles, Jr.	Director	June 22, 2007
* Virginia Boulet	Director	June 22, 2007
* Calvin Czeschin	Director	June 22, 2007

*	Director	June 22, 2007
James B. Gardner		
/s/W. Bruce Hanks	Director	June 22, 2007
W. Bruce Hanks		
* C. G. Melville, Jr.	Director	June 22, 2007
C. G. Mervine, Jr.		
	Discourse	
Gregory J. McCray	Director	
*	Director	June 22, 2007
Fred R. Nichols		
*	Director	June 22, 2007
Harvey P. Perry		
*	Director	June 22, 2007
Jim D. Reppond		
Joseph R. Zimmel	Director	June 22, 2007
Joseph R. Zimmer		

^{*} By:/s/Glen F. Post, III
Glen F. Post, III
Attorney-in-Fact

The Plan. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the CenturyTel Retirement Committee, as administrator of the Plan, has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Monroe, State of Louisiana, on June 22, 2007.

CENTURYTEL DOLLARS & SENSE PLAN AND TRUST

By: <u>/s/Ivan S. Hughes</u>
Ivan S. Hughes
Member of the CenturyTel Retirement Committee