

CENTURYTEL INC  
Form 8-K  
June 04, 2009

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

June 2, 2009

CenturyTel, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Louisiana<br>(State or other<br>jurisdiction of<br>incorporation or<br>organization) | 1-7784<br>(Commission File<br>Number) | 72-0651161<br>(I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |
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100 CenturyTel Drive, Monroe, Louisiana 71203

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (318) 388-9000

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On June 2, 2009, CenturyTel, Inc. and Embarq Corporation announced the selection of CenturyLink as the name of their combined company. Please see the accompanying press release included as Exhibit 99.1 concerning this announcement.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release dated June 2, 2009 announcing name and logo of combined company.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CENTURYTEL, INC.

Dated: June 4, 2009

/s/ Neil A. Sweasy  
Neil A. Sweasy  
Vice President and Controller