CenturyLink - Disaster Preparedness Best Practices

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CenturyLink Overview

CenturyLink is the third largest telecommunications company in the United States. The company provides broadband, voice, wireless and managed services to consumers and businesses across the country.

Key Statistics as of December 31, 2011:
- 14.6 million access lines
- 5.55 million broadband
- 1.8 million video
- 210,000 route mile national fiber network
Why Plan?
What Makes a Successful Plan?

1. Using Threat Assessment & Business Impact Analysis results as a basis for BC planning
2. Geographic diversity of recovery resources
3. Multiple business resumption options for each critical function
4. Consideration of 3rd party resources
5. Routine plan reviews, updating and testing

National Fire Protection Association
The authority on fire, electrical, and building safety
1. Threat Assessment & Business Impact Analysis

1. Understanding the business impact
2. Identifying CenturyLink’s customer expectations and service level requirements
3. Prioritize critical functions and applications
4. Focus on the risk
5. Mitigate
2. Geographic Diversity
3. Business Resumption
4. Other Resources
5. Plan Reviews, Updating and Testing

Government Services, Inc. invites you to an Open House to see and tour a customized Disaster Recovery Trailer.

Friday, November 21
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
10300 Eaton Place
Fairfax, VA 22030
Parking Lot

• Executive Team
• Disaster Preparedness Staff
• Regional Teams
• Crisis Management Teams
• Departmental Business Continuity Leaders & Planners
• IT Disaster Recovery Services
• Damage Assessment & Rapid Response Teams
• Network Operations Center
• Environmental Health & Safety Teams

Government Services, Inc. has built a Disaster Recovery Trailer that is tailored to replicate the exact network components of a Private Network. The same can be done to help keep your private network survivable in the event of a natural disaster, or get a critical new site up and working if construction problems may otherwise pose delays.

Drop by at any time between 9:30 AM and 1:30 PM to ask questions of the people who maintain the trailer on a daily basis.
CenturyLink maintains a number of Command Centers to support incident management activities.

- Multiple media sources
- Telecommunications diversity
- Satellite phones
- HF radio
- Emergency power
- Robust computer support
- Emergency supplies
Service Restoration Priorities

- Critical Network Components required to facilitate restoration
- Telecommunications Service Priorities (TSP):
  1. TSP Restoration Priority 1
  2. TSP Provisioning Priority E
  3. TSP Restoration Priority 2-5
  4. TSP Provisioning Priority 1-5
- Emergency Services
- Business Customers with Restoral Contracts
- Business/Residential – Community at large
Questions?

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