

CENTURYTEL INC  
Form 8-K  
January 31, 2002

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report: January 31, 2002

**CENTURYTEL, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Louisiana**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**100 CenturyTel Drive  
Monroe, Louisiana 71203**

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

**(318) 388-9000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

**Item 5. Other Events.**

In its January 31, 2002 press release announcing its fourth quarter 2000 financial results, the Company reported there to be 795,277 Wireless Units in Majority-Owned Markets as of December 31, 2001. The correct number of Wireless Units in Majority-Owned Markets as of December 31, 2001 was actually 797,340.

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.**

By:     /s/ Neil A. Sweasy    

Neil A. Sweasy  
Vice President and Controller

Dated: January 31, 2002