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CoSentry Announces Nation's First Metro Cloud Service

By harnessing CenturyLink's fiber network and CoSentry's high-availability data centers, the new service will allow clients to access fully-integrated cloud services

OMAHA, NE – CoSentry (www.cosentry.com) -- a leading provider of cloud services and Compliance, Regulated Environments (CRE) for data centers -- today announced it has completed construction of its latest generation of high-performance, PCI-certified cloud platforms. That CoSentry platform integrates with a fiber build by [CenturyLink \(NYSE: CTL\)](#) to provide a unique new service: the *CoSentry Metro Cloud*.

“Often, client-led innovation is the most meaningful because you create solutions for a precise problem. That’s what the Metro Cloud is about, clients asking us to provide a fully-integrated cloud solution that provides all networking, processing and storage elements in one convenient, managed service,” commented CoSentry CEO, Mike Steffan. He continued, “And with the expansion of the CenturyLink network into all of our data centers, it becomes affordable for any size client across a wide geography.”

The service, now available from CoSentry, bundles robust local access links, web and application servers, storage and backup services, internet access and 24-hour help desk support into a, very affordable service.

“Metro Cloud gives credence to our [prior announcement](#) that by harnessing CenturyLink’s network to power its secure cloud solutions, CoSentry can introduce cutting-edge services that companies need in an always-on world,” explained [Blake Wetzel](#), vice president of CenturyLink Channel Alliance. “We are gratified that our advanced Metro Ethernet network is providing the secure connectivity that is fueling CoSentry’s product growth.”

“We are very pleased to team with the CoSentry team on this project,” stated Danny Pate, vice president and general manager for CenturyLink-Nebraska. “Both companies

have made considerable commitments to our Nebraska business community to make this possible. During the last several months, we have constructed high-capacity links into the CoSentry network and now we are helping to extend those network and data center services to create fresh, new benefits for CoSentry's Omaha data center clients.”

The Metro Cloud service was created after a series of client forums on the use of cloud services. Historically, access to cloud services required separate data and network services, often diminishing the potential cost savings of utilizing those cloud services. The advantage of unifying large platforms and consolidated billing is the ability to deliver less expensive services, faster, regardless of the size or type of business.

The Metro Cloud service is now available in Omaha with other communities expected to come online by year end.

About CoSentry

CoSentry serves as a one source provider of data center, cloud computing and managed technical services. For over 10 years CoSentry has been helping clients create and protect PCI certified and NIST compliant technology platforms to compete in today's ALWAYS ON business environment. Business leaders depend on CoSentry's world-class capabilities including collocation, virtual server and storage platforms, high-capacity internet and technical help desk services to keep their businesses running – no matter what. CoSentry has facilities in Kansas City, MO, and Sioux Falls, SD, Papillion, NE and Omaha, NE. For more information about CoSentry, please visit their main [Data Center | Colocation](#) web site.