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CENTURY ANNOUNCES PROMOTION

Medford, MA, December 14, 2004 --- Marshall M. Sloane, Chairman and CEO, Century Bank and Trust Company (NASDAQ: CNBKA) announced that the Board of Directors had recently elected the following promotion:

Jason J. Melius was elected Senior Vice President of Information Systems.

Mr. Melius has over 17 years of banking experience with Century and has held numerous positions within Century Bank, with his most recent being First Vice President of Information Systems.

He received his BS in Finance from Bentley College, and is currently pursuing his MBA at Babson College. Mr. Melius resides in Reading MA. with his wife, Kimberly and their two daughters, Jacqueline, and Julia.

Century Bank and Trust Company, a subsidiary of Century Bancorp, Inc., is a state chartered, full-service commercial bank. Century Bank operates twenty two full-service branches in the Greater Boston area and offers a full range of Commercial, Personal, Institutional Services and Investment Products.