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CENTURY BANCORP, INC. ANNOUNCES INCREASED YEAR-TO-DATE EARNINGS FOR 2013, UP 11%; ASSET GROWTH OF 6.5% TO RECORD SIZE OF \$3.3 BB; REGULAR DIVIDEND DECLARED

Medford, MA, July 9, 2013---Century Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:CNBKA)

(www.centurybank.com) ("the Company") today announced net income of \$9,502,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2013, or \$1.71 per Class A share diluted, an increase of 10.8% compared to net income of \$8,579,000, or \$1.55 per Class A share diluted, for the same period a year ago. Total assets increased 6.5% from \$3.1 billion at December 31, 2012 to \$3.3 billion at June 30, 2013. For the quarter ended June 30, 2013, net income totaled \$5,026,000, or \$0.90 per Class A share diluted, an increase of 5.3% compared to net income of \$4,771,000, or \$0.86 per Class A share diluted, for the same period a year ago.

Net interest income totaled \$29.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013 compared to \$29.8 million for the same period in 2012. The 2.5% decrease in net interest income for the period is primarily due to \$640,000 of prepayment penalties collected during the first six months of 2012. The net interest margin decreased from 2.50% on a fully taxable equivalent basis in 2012 to 2.21% on the same basis for 2013. This was primarily the result of a decrease in asset yields. Also, interest expense decreased primarily as a result of the continued decline in market rates and there was a 12.3% increase in the average balances of earning assets, combined with a similar increase in average deposits.

The provision for loan losses decreased by \$500,000 from \$2.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012 to \$1.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013, primarily as a result of a lower level of charge-off activity. The Company capitalized on favorable market conditions for the first six months ended June 30, 2013 and realized net gains on sales of investments of \$1.7 million, as compared to \$590,000 for the same period in 2012. The Company's effective tax rate decreased from 6.2% in 2012 to 5.8% in 2013 primarily as a result of an increase in tax-exempt income.

At June 30, 2013, total equity was \$166.2 million compared to \$180.0 million at December 31, 2012. The Company's equity decreased primarily as a result of an increase in other comprehensive loss, net of taxes, and dividends paid, offset somewhat by earnings. Other comprehensive loss, net of taxes, increased as a result of an increase in unrealized losses on securities available-for-sale. Unrealized losses on the available-for-sale portfolio increased as a result of increases in interest rates. The Company's leverage ratio stood at 6.74% at June 30, 2013, compared to 6.80% at December 31, 2012. The decrease in the leverage ratio is due to an increase in assets. Book value as of June 30, 2013 was \$29.92 per share compared to \$32.40 at December 31, 2012.

The Company's allowance for loan losses was \$20.5 million or 1.76% of loans outstanding at June 30, 2013, compared to \$19.2 million or 1.73% of loans outstanding at December 31, 2012 and \$18.0 million or 1.75% of loans outstanding at June 30, 2012. The increase in the allowance for loan losses was due to the increase in the size and composition of the loan portfolio as well as qualitative factors. Non-performing assets totaled \$3.3 million at June 30, 2013, compared to \$4.5 million at December 31, 2012 and \$5.3 million at June 30, 2012.

The Company's Board of Directors voted a regular quarterly dividend of 12.00 cents (\$0.12) per share on the Company's Class A common stock, and 6.00 cents (\$0.06) per share on the Company's Class B common stock. The dividends were declared payable August 15, 2013 to stockholders of record on August 1, 2013.

The Company, through its subsidiary bank, Century Bank and Trust Company, a state chartered full service commercial bank, operating twenty-five full-service branches in the Greater Boston area, offers a full range of Business, Personal and Institutional Services.

Century Bank and Trust Company is a member of the FDIC and is an Equal Housing Lender.

This press release contains certain "forward-looking statements" with respect to the financial condition, results of operations and business of the Company. Actual results may differ from those contemplated by these statements. The Company wishes to caution readers not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements. The Company disclaims any intent or obligation to update publicly any such forward-looking statements, whether in response to new information, future events or otherwise.

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Comparative Statements of Condition (unaudited)

(in thousands)

(in thousands)	June 30,	December 31,
Assets	2013	2012
Cash and Due From Banks Federal Funds Sold and Interest-bearing Deposits In Other Banks	\$ 49,192 122,713	\$ 53,646 98,637
Short-term Investments	19,611	17,367
Securities Available-For-Sale (AFS)	1,552,216	1,434,801
Securities Held-to-Maturity	267,613	275,507
Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston stock, at cost	16,082	15,146
Loans:		
Commercial & Industrial	101,918	88,475
Construction & Land Development	34,919	38,618
Commercial Real Estate	609,462	576,465
Residential Real Estate	•	
	283,392	281,857
Consumer and Other	8,123	7,450
Home Equity	125,918	118,923
Total Loans	1,163,732	1,111,788
Less: Allowance for Loan Losses	20,500	19,197
Net Loans	1,143,232	1,092,591
Bank Premises and Equipment	23,367	23,899
Accrued Interest Receivable	6,005	5,811
Goodwill	2,714	2,714
Other Assets		
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Total Assets	\$ 3,285,936	\$ 3,086,209
Liabilities		
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Savings and NOW Deposits	964,923	933,316
Money Market Accounts	769,660	653,345
Time Deposits	466,492	419,983
Total Interest Bearing Deposits	2,201,075	2,006,644
Total Deposits	2,641,195	2,445,073
Borrowed Funds:		
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Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase	214,290	191,390
Other Borrowed Funds	177,144	195,144
Total Borrowed Funds	391,434	386,534
Other Liabilities	50,991	38,529
Subordinated Debentures	36,083	36,083
Total Liabilities	3,119,703	2,906,219
Total Stockholders' Equity	166,233	179,990
	100,200	179,990
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	\$ 3,285,936	\$ 3,086,209

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Comparative Statements of Income (unaudited) For the Quarter and Six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012

(in thousands)

	Quarter ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Interest Income:	\$ 11.997	\$ 12.572	\$ 23.878	\$ 24.620
Loans Securities Hold to Moturity	+,	+ /-	+ - /	+ ,
Securities Held-to-Maturity Securities Available-for-Sale	1,419 5,571	1,924 5,668	2,939 11,188	3,387 11,383
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Federal Funds Sold and Interest-bearing Deposits In Other Banks	145	140	204	287
Total Interest Income	19,132	20,312	38,269	39,677
Interest Expense:				
Savings and NOW Deposits	649	560	1,259	1,087
Money Market Accounts	582	618	1,114	1,230
Time Deposits	1,234	1,600	2,568	3,281
Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase	89	88	179	180
Other Borrowed Funds and Subordinated Debentures	2,066	2,057	4,092	4,108
Total Interest Expense	4,620	4,923	9,212	9,886
Net Interest Income	14,512	15,389	29,057	29,791
Provision For Loan Losses	750	900	1,500	2,000
Net Interest Income After				
Provision for Loan Losses	13,762	14,489	27,557	27,791
Other Operating Income				
Service Charges on Deposit Accounts	2,034	1,922	3,976	3,910
Lockbox Fees	838	781	1,610	1,480
Net Gain on Sales of Investments	781	442	1,664	590
Other Income	1,568	843	2,405	1,627
Total Other Operating Income	5,221	3,988	9,655	7,607
Operating Expenses				
Salaries and Employee Benefits	8,382	8,191	17,000	16,332
Occupancy	1,193	1,176	2,475	2,298
Equipment	610	544	1,192	1,127
FDIC Assessment	450	445	850	852
Other	3,027	3,095	5,610	5,642
Total Operating Expenses	13,662	13,451	27,127	26,251
Income Before Income Taxes	5,321	5,026	10,085	9,147
Income Tax Expense	295	255	583	568
Net Income	\$ 5,026	\$ 4,771	\$ 9,502	\$ 8,579

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Year-to-Date Average Comparative Statements of Condition (unaudited) (in thousands)

Assets	June 30, 2013	June 30, 2012
Cash and Due From Banks Federal Funds Sold and Interest-Bearing Deposits in Other Banks	\$ 57,758 188,730	\$ 52,885 200,066
Securities Available-For-Sale (AFS) Securities Held-to-Maturity	1,446,196 259,812	1,250,085 255,609
Total Loans Less: Allowance for Loan Losses	1,140,277 19,828	996,503 17,386
Net Loans	1,120,449	979,117
Unrealized Gain on Securities AFS Bank Premises and Equipment Accrued Interest Receivable Goodwill Other Assets	11,075 23,689 6,004 2,714 73,617	16,541 22,091 6,168 2,714 <u>68,568</u>
Total Assets	\$ 3,190,044	\$ 2,853,844
Liabilities Demand Deposits	\$ 421,646	\$ 364,588
Interest Bearing Deposits: Savings and NOW Deposits Money Market Accounts Time Deposits Total Interest Bearing Deposits	1,010,517 727,499 <u>391,005</u> 2,129,021	830,199 656,662 422,256 1,909,117
Total Deposits	2,550,667	2,273,705
Borrowed Funds: Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase Other Borrowed Funds	203,755 178,896	161,112 180,131
Total Borrowed Funds	382,651	341,243
Other Liabilities Subordinated Debentures	41,724 36,083	36,564 36,083
Total Liabilities	3,011,125	2,687,595
Total Stockholders' Equity	178,919	166,249
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	\$ 3,190,044	\$ 2,853,844
Total Average Earning Assets - QTD	\$ 3,084,217	\$ 2,761,669
Total Average Earning Assets - YTD	\$ 3,035,015	\$ 2,702,263

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Selected Key Financial Information (unaudited) (in thousands, except share data)	June 30, 2013		June 30, 2012	
Performance Measures:				
Earnings per average Class A share, diluted, quarter Earnings per average Class A share, diluted, year-to-date Return on average assets, year-to-date Return on average stockholders' equity, year-to-date Net interest margin (taxable equivalent), quarter Net interest margin (taxable equivalent), year-to-date Efficiency ratio, year-to-date Book value per share Tangible book value per share	\$ \$ \$	0.90 1.71 0.60% 10.71% 2.16% 2.21% 63.3% 29.92 29.43 4.08%	\$ \$ \$	0.86 1.55 0.60% 10.38% 2.52% 2.50% 63.7% 30.77 30.28
Tangible capital / tangible assets		4.98%		5.60%
Common Share Data: Average Class A shares outstanding, diluted, quarter Average Class A shares outstanding, diluted, year-to-date Shares outstanding Class A Shares outstanding Class B		5,557,354 5,557,655 3,574,379 1,982,180		5,548,830 5,547,237 3,556,529 1,991,880
Total shares outstanding at period end		5,556,559		5,548,409
Asset Quality and Other Data:				
Allowance for loan losses / loans Nonaccrual loans Nonperforming assets Loans 90 days past due and still accruing Accruing troubled debt restructures Net charge-offs, year-to-date	\$ \$ \$ \$	1.76% 3,260 3,260 - 3,492 196	\$\$\$\$\$	1.75% 5,313 5,313 57 2,274 594
Leverage ratio Tier 1 risk weighted capital ratio Total risk weighted capital ratio Total risk weighted assets	\$	6.74% 14.00% 15.25% 1,555,727	\$	6.90% 14.36% 15.61% 1,393,806