

CABLE&WIRELESS WORLDWIDE SIGNS DEED OF UNDERTAKINGS WITH GOVERNMENT, PAVING THE WAY FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR NETWORK

07 April 2011: Cable&Wireless Worldwide today announced that it has signed a Deed of Undertakings (DoU) with the Government that reflects its ongoing commitment to providing mission critical communication services to the UK Public Sector. It also enables C&W Worldwide to access opportunities within the new Public Sector Network (PSN) framework that is currently being formed.

Having signing this agreement, C&W Worldwide is well positioned to deliver a fundamental part of the core infrastructure, the Government Conveyance Network (GCN), upon which the PSN will depend. This is the vital interconnect between different network service providers that ultimately enables the PSN to deliver the effect of a single network.

C&W Worldwide is a founding member of the PSN and has provided significant support in helping the Cabinet Office drive forward its agenda. C&W Worldwide plans to start deploying the GCN by early summer in a project that connects the Government Connect Secure Extranet to the existing PSN networks in Kent and Hampshire.

Brian Woodford, Managing Director for Public Sector and Partners at C&W Worldwide, comments; "The Public Sector Network has the potential to change the way Government engages with the telecoms industry, which in turn has the ability to deliver significant outcomes in terms of savings in telecoms and IT spend. It also provides new ways of accessing technology required to make the operation of Government more efficient and effective. We are fully behind this agenda and believe that in signing this Deed of Undertakings we are demonstrating our intent and commitment to the Public Sector and to driving these outcomes."

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About Cable&Wireless Worldwide

Cable&Wireless Worldwide (LSE: CW.) is one of the world's leading mission critical communications providers, delivering a range of high-quality managed voice, data and IP-based services and applications to large multinational companies, governments, carrier customers and resellers across the UK, Asia Pacific, India, Middle East & Africa, Continental Europe and North America.

Reaching 20,500km in length, Cable&Wireless Worldwide owns the UK's largest fibre network dedicated to business users of telecoms, and provides ubiquitous nationwide access through a combination of fibre, digital, microwave, radio and leased circuits. The network has presence in over 400 towns and cities in the UK, with 802 unbundled exchanges covering 55% of the population.

Internationally, Cable&Wireless Worldwide's global next-generation network (NGN) stretches to more than 500,000km, including interests in 69 global cable systems, and provides connectivity to 153 countries. The Group's IP-based Multi-Service Platform, operates across the NGN, offering a single environment on which voice and data applications can be converged to drive business efficiencies. Cable&Wireless Worldwide's network is uniquely designed with inbuilt resilience and the capability to re-route traffic in the event of failure of one or more paths, particularly at the international level.

With more than 6,200 colleagues globally, Cable&Wireless Worldwide is committed to delivering exceptional customer service and developing long term partnerships with its customers.

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