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NetLink Trust's Failure to Comply with IDA's Quality of Service Standards on Service Provisioning Timeframe for Non-Residential End-User Connections from April to December 2014
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CityNet Infrastructure Management Pte Ltd (as Trustee-Manager of the NetLink Trust) ("NetLink Trust")
For the period April to December 2014, NetLink Trust failed to meet the Quality of Service ("QoS") standard of 80% and 100% respectively for the following indicators:-  a) "Percentage of Non-Residential End-User Connection service orders provisioned within (i) four calendar weeks of the date of service order or (ii) by Request for Activation ("RFA")¹ date"; and  b) "Percentage of Non-Residential End-User Connection service orders provisioned within (i) eight calendar weeks of the date of service order or (ii) by RFA date + 4 calendar weeks".  For the period July to December 2014, NetLink Trust's performance for the two QoS indicators ranged between 38.27% to 73.75% and between 62.66% and 88.28% respectively.
For failing to comply with the non-residential QoS standards for the period April to December 2014, NetLink Trust is liable for a financial penalty under the QoS framework. In determining the appropriate enforcement action against NetLink Trust, IDA took into consideration the following:  (i) The average margins of failure from April to December 2014 were large;  (ii) NetLink Trust's QoS performance has fallen from April to December 2014 with a declining percentage of orders completed within the timeframes specified in the QoS framework over the nine (9) months;  (iii) NetLink Trust's QoS performance continues to be poor even after the six (6) months rectification period from October 2013 to March 2014; and  (iv) The corrective actions that NetLink Trust has been

<sup>1</sup> The RFA date refers to the date requested by Requesting Licensees beyond the service provisioning timeframes stated in the QoS framework despite activation slots being available within the said period.

undertaking, including re-organising its internal processes and clearing more than 90% of backlog orders.
Having considered all factors, IDA decided to impose a financial penalty of \$400,000 on NetLink Trust.