

CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

INTERCONNECTION OFFER FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES ON THE NEXT GENERATION NATIONWIDE BROADBAND NETWORK OPERATING COMPANY

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INTRODUCTION

- 1. The Next Generation Nationwide Broadband Network ("Next Gen NBN") acts as a strategic enabler for Singapore to exploit new economic opportunities in this digital age, through much faster broadband access and higher broadband take-up by households and businesses, leading to greater productivity gains.
- 2. Nucleus Connect Pte Ltd ("**Nucleus Connect**"), the Operating Company ("**OpCo**") selected to design, build and operate the active infrastructure of the Next Gen NBN, has proposed the Platform Connection Service under its Interconnection Offer ("**ICO**") and is offering it as a new service schedule under the ICO.

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- 3. Under Section 9 of the Code of Practice for Next Gen NBN OpCo Interconnection ("OpCo Code"), Nucleus Connect is required to provide a real-time, on-line information and ordering platform (the "Platform") by November 2011.
- 4. In order to fulfill the above requirement, Nucleus Connect has submitted to IDA the proposed terms and conditions under which it will offer its Qualifying Persons access to the Platform (i.e., ICO Agreement Service Schedule Platform Connection Service ("PCS Schedule")).
- 5. IDA would like to highlight that the proposed PCS Schedule is submitted based on certain requirements in the Next Gen NBN OpCo Request for Proposal and is the result of a competitive process initiated by IDA, for which IDA has accepted Nucleus Connect's bid proposal and its terms therein. Hence, the prices of all services offered under the proposed PCS Schedule are not part of this consultation and any comments received on the prices will be disregarded by IDA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, IDA retains the right to conduct a scheduled review of the prices, terms and conditions of the PCS Schedule.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

- Save as indicated in paragraph 5, IDA hereby invites interested parties to submit written comments regarding Nucleus Connect's proposed PCS Schedule.
- 7. IDA requests that comments be presented in the following format:
 - a. Description of the respondent and its interest in the proceedings;
 - b. Summary of the respondent's position;
 - c. General comments; and
 - d. Views regarding specific provisions of the proposed PCS Schedule.
- 8. In all comments, respondents should identify the specific provisions of the proposed PCS Schedule (by paragraph/section number, where provided) to which comments are being made. Where appropriate, respondents may suggest additional or alternative language, provided always that any such suggestions should be accompanied by an explanation of the reason for the proposal. All respondents are requested to keep their comments clear and succinct.
- 9. All views and comments should be submitted in writing and in both hard and soft copies (preferably in Microsoft Word format) and shall reach IDA by 12 noon, 18 July 2011.

For each set of comments, respondents are required to include their personal/company particulars as well as their correspondence address. Views and comments should be addressed to:

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10. IDA reserves the right to make public all or parts of any written submissions made in response to this consultation, and to disclose the identity of the respondent. Any part of the submission which the respondent considers is commercially sensitive must be clearly marked and placed as a separate annex to the comments. IDA will take this into consideration when disclosing the submitted information.