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CTM PARTNERS WITH MICROSOFT AND LAXINO TO PROVIDE OFFICE ANYWHERE

CTM, Cable & Wireless Communications' business in Macau, has extended its suite of cloud computing services with software enabling local small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) to manage their businesses when away from the office.

Cloud computing is enabling enterprises to save costs and increase efficiency by accessing IT services through the internet ('the cloud'). Software delivered via the cloud (known as 'software as a service') is rented as a managed service which can help customers to reduce the cost of licences and IT support staff.

CTM launched its first cloud services earlier this year in collaboration with Cisco.

The company's first software as a service product has been jointly developed with Microsoft and a Macau based software house, Laxino Technology Limited.

Called 'Office Anywhere' the software helps customers to manage their emails, calendar and corporate intranet via any PC or smartphone device.

Office Anywhere combines Microsoft Exchange – which enables users to manage or share emails, calendar, documents, contacts and tasks anywhere they have internet access – and Microsoft's web application, SharePoint - which enables online file sharing, creation and editing.

CTM will provide ongoing support for customers including managing a firewall, 24 hour monitoring of customer sites, installing spam and virus protection updates and backing up any information stored.

Declan Leong, Vice President, Enterprise Business for CTM commented:

"We believe that cloud computing will be an important service for enterprise customers in future since the cost of specialist staff, licensing and IT infrastructure storage are high relative to other iurisdictions."

"We are Macau's leading telecoms company and this is an opportunity to supply value added technology services to enterprises with whom we already have a good customer relationship. It's early days for cloud computing, but we are taking the opportunity to learn about the requirements of our customers and ultimately cement our position in the future market."

CTM's enterprise revenue grew by 9% in 2011-12. There are an estimated 20,000 SMEs in Macau.

About Cable & Wireless Communications

Cable & Wireless Communications is a global full-service communications business. We operate leading communications businesses through four regional units – the Caribbean, Panama, Macau and Monaco & Islands. Our services include mobile, broadband and domestic and international fixed line services in most of our markets as well as pay-TV, data centre and hosting, carrier and managed service solutions. Our operations are focused on providing our customers – consumers, businesses, governments – with world-class service. We are the market leader in most products we offer and territories we serve. For more information visit www.cwc.com.

About CTM

CTM is the only full-service telecommunications provider in Macau and so plays a leadership role in delivering world-class telecom services to residents and continuing to develop Macau's infrastructure. We are jointly owned by Cable & Wireless Communications (51%), Portugal Telecom (28%), CITIC Telecom International Holdings Limited (20%) and the Government of Macau (1%).

We have a solid track record for technical achievement, having recently introduced both innovative mobile data services and 250 Mbps fibre optic broadband, one of the fastest rates available to residents anywhere in the world.

We also contribute to the Macau community in many ways, such as investing to increase the use of IT in schools and strongly supporting colleagues to take part in community events.

For more information, please visit: http://www.ctm.net

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