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InfiniVAN and DITO Sign Strategic Fiber-Sharing Partnership Agreement to Strengthen the Nation's Digital Backbone in the Philippines

InfiniVAN, Inc. (hereinafter "InfiniVAN"), a consolidated subsidiary of IPS, Inc. (hereinafter the "Company") operating telecommunications services in the Philippines, has entered into an agreement (hereinafter "the Agreement") with Philippine telecommunications company DITO Telecommunity Corporation (hereinafter "DITO") regarding a strategic fiber-optic sharing partnership to strengthen the Nation's Digital Backbone in the Philippines. We are pleased to announce that a signing ceremony was held today, as detailed below.

1. Background and Purpose of Agreement

Within the Company's Global Telecommunications Business, InfiniVAN has obtained a telecommunications license in the Philippines. In 2023, the Philippine Domestic Submarine Cable Network (PDSCN), connecting the islands of the Philippines, was completed. The establishment of a domestic backbone network centered on the PDSCN has enabled the expansion of telecommunications infrastructure and services, previously concentrated in the Manila metropolitan area, throughout the entire Philippines.

Meanwhile, DITO is a joint venture established by Philippine and Chinese companies. It was approved as a telecommunications company by the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) in 2019 and operates mobile phone services, among other businesses.

Both companies possess fiber optic facilities, including submarine, inland underground, and aerial fiber optic cables, and each holds fiber optic pairs available for mutual provision. Therefore, through this agreement, they have agreed to grant each other access rights to their respective fiber optic pairs. This will enhance nationwide redundancy and fault tolerance while strengthening the continuity of internet services.

"This partnership reflects a shared commitment to building a more resilient, inclusive, and future-ready digital Philippines," said Ernesto R. Alberto, President and CEO of DITO.

Echoing the message of DITO, Shigeki Nakahara, President of InfiniVAN, shared, "This collaboration is founded on trust and mutual benefit. By combining our strengths and sharing resources, DITO and InfiniVAN can deliver broader coverage, greater network stability, and a stronger foundation for the country's digital transformation."



At the signing ceremony, Ernesto R. Alberto, President and CEO of DITO (second from the right in the front row) and Shigeki Nakahara, President of InfiniVAN (third from the right in the front row)

2. Overview of Agreement

(1) Contents of Agreement

InfiniVAN and DITO have agreed to the following terms under this Agreement:

- Grant each other access to their fiber optic facilities that includes submarine, inland underground, and aerial dark fibers
- Define ownership, access rights, maintenance responsibilities, and service restoration procedures under specific Facilities Agreements that will be executed individually

(2) Counterparty to this Agreement

DITO Telecommunity Corporation

DITO was awarded a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity by the National Telecommunications Commission in 2019. A Filipino company formed through a consortium led by Udenna Corporation, in partnership with China Telecommunications Corp.

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