Console Connect by PCCW Global expands Software-Defined Interconnection® to Australia, marking the platform's 40th on-net country

HKT (SEHK:6823) – Hong Kong, February 25, 2020 – Console Connect, the Software-Defined Interconnection® (SDI®) platform by PCCW Global, today announced its expansion to key data centers across Australia. Customers can now connect in multiple data centers in Sydney, Perth and Brisbane. PCCW Global is the international operating division of HKT, Hong Kong's premier telecommunications service provider.

The Console Connect network-as-a-service platform is fully integrated with the world's leading cloud, SaaS, IoT and IX providers, including Google Cloud, AWS, IBM Cloud, Microsoft Azure, Oracle Cloud, Alibaba, Tencent and NAVER Cloud. Customers on the platform can purchase access ports in 128 leading on-net data centers throughout Europe, the Middle East, Africa, North and South America, Africa as well as across Asia and now Australia.

The automated Console Connect fabric is underpinned by PCCW Global's Tier-1 IP backbone and one of the largest MPLS networks in the world, spanning more than 160 countries and 3,000 cities. Console Connect enables users to instantly self-provision fully protected, uncontended, layer2 connectivity on-demand across the globe, with flexible durations from one day to one year, all priced on a pay-as-you-go basis. Service can be turned up in a few clicks between, and among, customer access ports or to multiple clouds, SaaS and IoT partners and IXs that have already interconnected with the platform globally.

Customers and partners can sign up to the service online at consoleconnect.com and provision and manage connections via the easy-to-use self-provisioning web portal. Partners with their own automation platform can also integrate via API and extend their international footprint.

The platform in Australia allows customers to order international circuits on-demand but also self-provision services to all the major cloud providers in Australia.

Mr. Michael Glynn, Vice President of Digital Automated Innovation, PCCW Global, said, "We are very excited to enable the Console Connect SDI® platform in Australia. This marks our 40th country on the platform and Australia is also the home of our Console Connect Automation Software team with 50+ software development engineers who are based in Brisbane."

Mr. Glynn added, "The Console Connect SDI® platform advantage is its build on top of the PCCW Global MPLS network which today incorporates 664,000km of diverse cable capacity and over 22tb/s of global fiber capacity, affording our customers access to a fully redundant, non-contended global network environment. Over the past few months, we have increased our international connectivity into Australia with three cable systems linking with Asia and to the United States."

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About PCCW Global

PCCW Global is the international operating division of HKT, Hong Kong's premier telecommunications service provider, which is majority-owned by PCCW Limited. Covering more than 3,000 cities and 160 countries, the PCCW Global network supports a portfolio of integrated global communications services including connectivity, applications, and tailored solutions facilitated by its on-demand digital software defined interconnection system.

PCCW Global is headquartered in Hong Kong, and maintains regional centers in Belgium, China, France, Greece, Japan, Korea, Singapore, South Africa, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. To learn more about PCCW Global, please visit www.pccwglobal.com.

About HKT

HKT (SEHK: 6823) is Hong Kong's premier telecommunications service provider and leading operator in fixed-line, broadband and mobile communication services. It meets the needs of the Hong Kong public and local and international businesses with a wide range of services including local telephony, local data and broadband, international telecommunications, mobile, enterprise solutions, and other telecommunications businesses such as customer premises equipment sales, outsourcing, consulting, and contact centers.

HKT offers a unique quadruple-play experience in Hong Kong delivering media content on its fixed-line, broadband Internet access and mobile platforms jointly with its parent company, PCCW Limited.

HKT also provides a range of innovative and smart living services beyond connectivity to make the daily lives of customers smarter, whether they are at home, in the workplace, or on the go. Consumers and merchants alike may also enjoy HKT's financial-related services such as mobile payment, smart mobile point-of-sale solutions, and insurance.

For enterprises, HKT delivers end-to-end integrated solutions employing emerging technologies such as cloud computing, Internet of Things (IoT) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) to accelerate their digital transformation, contributing to Hong Kong's development into a smart city.

The Club is HKT's loyalty program and one of the largest of its kind in Hong Kong, not only offering a variety of privileges and benefits to enrich the lifestyle of members, but also increasingly amalgamating merchants and becoming an integral part of a new digital ecosystem connecting consumers and merchants.

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