

## RTI Selects NTT Com ENG as Managed Network Services Provider

California, USA and Tokyo, Japan, 17 January 2018 – RAM Telecom International, Inc. (RTI) has selected NTT Com Engineering Corporation (NTT Com ENG), a wholly owned subsidiary of NTT Communications Corporation (NTT Com), the ICT solutions and international communications business within the NTT Group (TYO: 9432), to provide managed network services for RTI's investment in the Southeast Asia - United States Cable System (SEA-US).

NTT Com has extensive ownership and investment in a number of submarine cable and terrestrial systems. To support the ownership and investment in these mission-critical assets for both internal and external customer needs, NTT Com has developed a state-of-the-art 24/7/365 network operations center (NOC) in Tokyo, Japan that is supported by NTT Com ENG. NTT Com and NTT Com ENG have now extended the NOC and their technical expertise to provide managed network services to RTI.

Russ Matulich, RTI's President and CEO, acknowledged the partnership stating, "RTI selected NTT Com ENG to ensure the highest level of technical and network monitoring support to our customers. The NTT Group companies are renowned for their commitment to quality and integrity, and RTI's partnership with NTT Com ENG ensures superior service. We hope to expand our partnership to not only include SEA-US, but also our Hong Kong - Guam (HK-G) cable scheduled for PA next year, and still other cable systems, including some in their final planning stages."

SEA-US, a state-of-art transpacific cable with 100 gigabit per second (Gbps) optical transmission capabilities, was ready for commercial service following acceptance on 8 August 2017. SEA-US enables a critical alternative route for essential connectivity between Asia and North America. Additionally, RTI's affiliate, RTI Connectivity Pte. Ltd. (RTI-C), has also commenced construction of HK-G which will, when interconnected to SEA-US next year, create a new transpacific cable with direct connectivity between Hong Kong, Guam and Los Angeles, California. In Hong Kong, HK-G will be landed inside the data center in Tsueng Kwan O (TKO) that is owned and operated by NTT Com Asia Limited (NTT Com Asia), a wholly owned subsidiary of NTT Com. The combination of NTT Com Asia and NTT Com ENG fully empowers RTI's customers to achieve their high availability mission-critical network requirements.



Kazuhiko Aramoto, NTT Com ENG's President, expressed gratitude towards RTI, "We are honored that we have been selected by RTI as their partner. We will continue to respond to the expectations of RTI and its end users by providing top quality service. We hope that this will be a valuable asset for RTI's future operations and management infrastructure of submarine networks and that this allows us to explore new boundaries."

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## **About RTI**

RTI is a leading neutral cable owner and develops global telecom infrastructure and large-scale data connectivity in selected markets. RTI offers its neutral products and services to telecommunications carriers, large multinational enterprises, content providers, US government and educational institutions. RTI is headquartered in San Francisco, California and RTI-C is headquartered in Singapore. For more information, visit www.rticable.com

## **About NTT Communications**

NTT Com provides consultancy, architecture, security and cloud services to optimize the information and communications technology (ICT) environments of enterprises. These offerings are backed by the company's worldwide infrastructure, including the leading global tier-1 IP network, the Arcstar Universal One™ VPN network reaching over 190 countries/regions, and over 140 secure data centers worldwide. NTT Com's solutions leverage the global resources of NTT Group companies including Dimension Data, NTT DOCOMO and NTT DATA.

## **About NTT Com Engineering**

As a wholly owned subsidiary company of NTT Com and founded in 1987, NTT Com ENG has been instrumental to NTT Com in the role of providing design, construction and operations to realize its high quality global services with state-of-the-art technical expertise grown in various environments, and teamwork maximizing the effect of each employee's professional skills and know-how.

In the global submarine cable industry, NTT Com ENG serves as operations center and cable landing station on-site support for numerous major cable systems including ASE, PC-1, HSCS, APG, J-US and APCN-2.