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Telia to supply IP-transit to NORDUnet

Telia International Carrier (Telia IC) has signed an agreement to deliver global IPtransit to NORDUnet, the Nordic Internet highway to research and education networks in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden.

The agreement will make it possible for NORDUnet to send global IP-transit via the Viking Network, Telia International Carrier's infrastructure for Internet Access.

- We are very pleased with Telia's ability to provide IP transit service to NORDUnet with short notice, says Peter Villemoes, General Manager NORDUnet. It will assure continuity of NORDUnet's services.

Telia International Carrier has provided NORDUnet with a Nordic backbone during the last 3 years. Over time the net has been upgraded to a high-tech network of 2.5 Gbit. Telia also supplies capacity to the project 6NET that NORDUnet currently develops.

- Our continued relation with NORDUnet verifies once again that Telia ICs financial strength and quality in delivery is what the market prioritises, says Erik Heilborn, President Telia International Carrier.

About Telia International Carrier

Telia's wholly owned subsidiary, Telia International Carrier, provides IP, Capacity, Voice, Infrastructure services and carrier neutral colocation solutions. Today, the company is one of the leading European carriers of transatlantic IP traffic to the USA. Its wholly owned multi-fibre optic network - the Viking Network - provides high capacity bandwidth and offers end-to-end connectivity round the world. The network is a investment-intensive venture expanding Telia International Carrier throughout Scandinavia, Europe and the USA. The infrastructure in Europe is designed as a multi-duct network connecting all significant cities with communication, supporting IP, Voice and Data. The network covers approximately 40,000 route kilometres throughout Europe and the USA, connecting 50 major cities through 120 points of presence.

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Telia is the Nordic leader in telecommunications. Over the past year, we have streamlined the Group, focusing our core businesses making the company more flexible. Our four core businesses are: Mobile communications, Internet services, International carrier operations and Fixed network operations. Telia is listed on Stockholmsbörsen. Sales Jan-Mar 2002 totaled MSEK 13,900 (13,592) and the number of employees was 16,804 (29,936). Sales 2001 totaled MSEK 57,196 and the number of employees was 17,149.