

THAICOM 6 Services Start 1 February Satellite Ownership transferred to MICT

Nonthaburi, February 3, 2014 - THAICOM Public Company Limited, announced today that broadcasting services on its recently launched THAICOM 6 satellite will commence on 1 February after the completion of in-orbit testing. The Company has already transferred ownership of the satellite to the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology (MICT).

Mrs. Suphajee Suthumpun, Chairman of the Executive Committee and CEO of THAICOM Plc. disclosed that, "After the successful launch of THAICOM 6 earlier this month, followed by the completion of in-orbit testing of the satellite, we will commence services on THAICOM 6 starting February 1. Prior to commencement of services, however, we transferred ownership of the THAICOM 6 satellite to the MICT in keeping with our concession agreement. THAICOM launched and transferred the ownership of totally six satellites to the country including THAICOM 6, which is the latest asset transferred." THAICOM's concession agreement with the MICT is a build-transfer-operate concession, requiring the Company to transfer all satellites and related operational equipment to the MICT after completion and prior to utilization. In addition, the Company is required to pay the MICT an agreed percentage of the Company's annual gross revenue earned from the transponder business.

THAICOM 6 is a medium size Star 2.3 model satellite constructed by Orbital Sciences Corporation, U.S.A. The satellite has 33 transponders (TPE), including 24 C-band and 9 Ku-band transponders serving Thailand, Southeast Asia and Africa. "The THAICOM 6 satellite will support the emergence of new technologies in the satellite TV broadcasting segment, with high quality voice and video signals in both standard and high definition, and support the growth of Thailand's broadcasting industry. THAICOM 6 will also help us expand our fleet and to enter into new markets covering Southeast Asia and Africa," **Suphajee** added.

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About Thaicom

Thaicom Public Company Limited, a leading Asian satellite operator, was established in 1991 with unique proposition in providing integrated solutions for satellite broadcast and broadband. The Company houses high profiled engineering teams to provide leading-edge innovative solutions on telecommunication and satellite that answer every need with a full spectrum of services. Until now, Thaicom has launched six satellites into the orbit; three satellites are in operations. Thaicom-5 is a "Hot bird" broadcasting satellite for Thailand and SE Asia, boarding more than 500 TV channels, coverage over Thailand and SE Asia. Thaicom 4 (IPSTAR) is the world's first broadband satellite and is providing broadband services to 14 countries across Asia-Pacific region. With the unique performance and technology of Thaicom 4, the Company has provided its solutions to many countries in the region to enable the broadband connectivity everywhere, also to recover communication networks at the time of disasters; such as in Japan, China and New Zealand. The Company launches Thaicom 6 in 2014 to provide additional capacity that strengthen Thaicom's "Hot bird" position, and will also serve the African market by the name "Aficom-1". And further in 2014, Thaicom 7 will be launched to expand Thaicom's servicing capacity and footprint in the regions.

Thaicom PLC is listed on the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) under the trade symbol "THCOM".

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What is Thaicom 6?

Thaicom 6, a conventional satellite which will be co-located with THAICOM-5 at 78.5 degrees East ("Hot Bird" position), and carry Ku- and C-band payload. The Ku-band payload will be comprised of 9 transponders (TPE) providing services to the Southeast Asia (mainland). The C-band payload will feature 24 C-band transponders (TPE) providing services via the satellite's regional beam to Southeast Asia and Africa. Thaicom 6 will expand the company's business by providing telecommunication and broadcast services to more customers in those areas and maintaining THAICOM's "Hot Bird" position in the region.

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