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MEDIA ANNOUNCEMENT

Broadcast Australia acquires HK ‘confined coverage’ engineering group

Tuesday 2 October, 2007: Transmission provider Broadcast Australia has acquired a majority share in a Hong Kong-based business specialising in indoor and confined space coverage, with the view to delivering indoor mobile TV solutions. The 55 per cent acquisition of Radio Frequency Engineering Limited (RFE) will allow the two companies to work together closely on digital broadcast network development—in particular broadcast mobile TV networks across the Asia Pacific region.

According to Chris Jaeger, Managing Director of Broadcast Australia’s International Business Group, coverage inside buildings and tunnels will be essential for mobile TV services. “It is now very clear that good indoor mobile TV coverage will be essential to the success of networks rolled out,” Jaeger said. “As a regional leader in the design and integration of confined coverage systems, RFE has the necessary skill-set to complement our core expertise in terrestrial broadcast networks.”

Jaeger said that RFE will continue to operate according to its core operating principles, maintaining good continuity of personnel and business with existing customers who remain a key focus for the company. Moreover, the company will now benefit from the vast resources and expertise brought to it by Broadcast Australia. “RFE will be Broadcast Australia’s ‘beachhead’ in Asia; we’ll be focusing on business opportunities for our combined capabilities across the region,” said Jaeger, who joins the board of the Hong Kong company.

“We are very excited to be joining the Broadcast Australia Group,” said Raymond Sun, Managing Director of RFE. “The move will allow us to offer a much broader range of solutions—both technically and geographically. We recognise Broadcast Australia’s leadership in digital broadcasting and mobile TV networks, and look forward to working with them on future network planning and deployment projects whilst we continue to work closely with our existing customers in our traditional markets.”

RFE has previously completed numerous landmark indoor coverage for cellular and trunk radio communications projects in markets that include Hong Kong, China, Singapore, Thailand and Taiwan. These have included several metro/subways, airports and convention centres.

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Company background

As the owner and operator of one of the most extensive terrestrial broadcast transmission networks in the world, Broadcast Australia provides transmission services for radio and television (analogue and digital) broadcasters and offers site sharing and infrastructure services.

With over 70 years broadcast transmission experience, Broadcast Australia plays a strategic role in developing new and emerging technologies--including Infocasting, Digital Radio and Mobile TV. The company's aim is to provide world-class broadcasting solutions throughout the Asia Pacific region by working with strategic partners, including wholly owned subsidiary, The Bridge Networks.

Broadcast Australia is a 100% owned subsidiary of Macquarie Communications Infrastructure Group, an entity listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX code: MCG). Its sister company, the UK-based Arqiva, specialises in providing broadcast transmission solutions for fixed and mobile media applications.

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