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(Euronext Paris and NYSE: ALU) today announced that TransACT has successfully trialed the delivery of bandwidths up to 1 Gigabit per second (Gbps) to residential users, supported by Alcatel-Lucent's GPON optical network termination (ONT) devices. A first for Australia, TransACT is now committed to provisioning these ONTs in all of its future fibre-to-the-premises (FTTP) deployments.

The

trial has enabled TransACT to extend the current capabilities of its Alcatel-Lucent gigabit passive optical network (GPON) architecture, and prepare itself to meet future demands for new, bandwidth-hungry services and media-rich content.

TransACT

Chief Executive Officer Ivan Slavich said: TransACT has been deploying an open fibre-to-the-home network for two years now and we are committed to keeping our eye to the future, investing in the best technology available to ensure higher speeds and richer services moving forward. We recently announced that we are turning on 100Mbps services for our FTTP network customers in parts of the ACT. Whereas ONTs used to be the blocking factor, this latest trial with Alcatel-Lucent affirms our capability to boost these speeds even further as our customers' appetite for higher bandwidth services increases.

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ONT, which is effectively the optical equivalent of today's DSL modem, is capable of delivering 1Gbps from day one, demonstrating the seamless path that FTTP architectures provide as new services require even higher bandwidth into the future.

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Australian NBN lead John Turner said: As Australia moves closer towards the build of the National Broadband Network, ONT devices become a critical

component in the delivery of a range of advanced new services, beyond just internet access, over an open wholesale network. Via Bell labs, we are continually innovating in optical access technology and it is great to work with TransACT in the ACT to introduce the 1Gbps ONT capability to Australia.

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is currently involved in over 95 FTTP projects worldwide, over 80 of which are with GPON. Additionally, Alcatel-Lucent's GPON network has been deployed by a considerable number of utility companies as well as municipalities and regions around the world. Alcatel-Lucent was awarded the 2009 Optical Vendor of the Year in Asia Pacific at this year's Frost & Sullivan Asia Pacific ICT Awards.

About Alcatel-Lucent

Alcatel-Lucent

(Euronext Paris and NYSE: ALU) is the trusted partner of service providers, enterprises and governments worldwide, providing solutions that deliver voice, data and video communication services to end-users. A leader in fixed, mobile and converged broadband networking, IP technologies, applications and services, Alcatel-Lucent leverages the unrivalled technical and scientific expertise of Bell Labs, one of the largest innovation powerhouses in the communications industry. With operations in more than 130 countries and the most experienced global services organisation in the industry, Alcatel-Lucent is a local partner with a global reach. Alcatel-Lucent achieved revenues of Euro 16.98 billion in 2008 and is incorporated in France, with executive offices located in Paris. For more information, visit Alcatel-Lucent on the Internet: <http://www.alcatel-lucent.com>.

About TransACT

TransACT is proud to employ local people to deliver tailored communications solutions to the Canberra community and residents in the surrounding region. From fixed-line phone and mobile services to super fast broadband, along with entertainment-on-demand and subscription television, TransACT has a solution to suit both residential and business customers. For more information visit the TransACT's website www.transact.com.au

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