

Further Expansion of BroadbandNext Network

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- Network Partnership with Wideband -

National Internet Provider EFTel Limited (**ASX Code: EFT**) and Aussie Broadband Pty Ltd t/as Wideband Networks ("Wideband") today signed a significant network partnership between the companies.

Under the terms of the agreement, EFTel enjoys access to Wideband's regional Victorian ADSL2+ exchange infrastructure, and Wideband gains access to EFTel's national BroadbandNext network.

Last week, EFTel announced an exclusive deal with NEXTEP, a division of NEC, that saw EFTel's BroadbandNext network expanded by a net of 55 additional sites, taking the total footprint to 125 exchanges. The Wideband deal will bring the footprint to around 140 exchanges.

EFTel CEO Simon Ehrenfeld announced last week that the NEXTEP partnership had put the expansion of BroadbandNext more than a year ahead of the company's original plans.

"The agreement with Wideband now brings us even further ahead, taking us into previously cost prohibitive regions where our customer base is particularly strong. With a large presence in regional Victoria, EFTel averages over 150 customers in each of these exchanges."

The deal also cements EFTel's position in operating Australia's sixth largest broadband footprint.

Wideband Managing Director Phil Britt said that he was pleased to be able to access such a large ADSL2+ footprint. "EFTel's numerous regional customers will be able to obtain ADSL2+ at prices comparable to their metropolitan counterparts. This is great news for regional Australians in light of the current NBN stand-off," he said.

Last week EFTel also announced that the final 4 exchanges of the original 70 had been approved for MSAN installation. EFTel's MSANs will support VDSL2, ADSL2+, traditional ADSL, SHDSL corporate solutions, normal PSTN Voice services, IP Video, VoIP, and "Naked DSL".

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About EFTel

EFTel Ltd (**ASX Code: EFT**) is a Top 10 Australian Internet Provider, with offices in Perth, Melbourne, Sydney and Kuala Lumpur. Its online brand, aaNet is one of Australia's most popular DSL providers among industry opinion leaders and has received a 5 star customer satisfaction rating in PC Authority. EFTel's wholesale division, DFT Wholesale, services a quarter of Australia's other ISPs. Its business division, EFTel Corporate is a preferred supplier to the Victorian Government. EFTel is building the next generation in high-speed broadband delivery, on a new network named **BroadbandNext**. The network is designed to support a range of telecommunications technologies including **VDSL2**.

More information on BroadbandNext is available at www.broadbandnext.com

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