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PCCW Global's Console Connect combines global IP network with innovative software automation to deliver on-demand, private, global connectivity

For the first time, Software-Defined Interconnection lets customers instantly provision direct connections to remote data centers, partners, and cloud services – with the click of a button

HKT (SEHK:6823) – HONG KONG / SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, USA, May 29, 2018 – PCCW Global, the international operating division of HKT, Hong Kong's premier telecommunications service provider, today announces the public launch of Console Connect, the industry's first Software-Defined Interconnect platform powered by a leading Tier 1 global IP network available in 150 countries.

Console Connect, available immediately to customers all around the world, combines attributes never offered before to enterprises and service providers:

- **Tier 1 Global IP Network:** PCCW Global's extensive Tier 1 global IP network available in 150 countries around the world.
- **Ecosystem Partners:** Console Connect enables access to major cloud service providers and business-critical applications.
- **Automation software:** Link data centers to each other, and to cloud providers, in seconds and on-demand with Console Connect's simple-to-use yet sophisticated Software-Defined Interconnect automation software.
- **Networking community:** Powerful social platform for knowledge sharing and growing the customers' network and business.

Console Connect's automated provisioning and routing is simple and easy to use. Built with customer experience at its heart, the Console Connect application has eliminated the complexity of network configuration so the customer can focus on its core business. Customers are able to get started quickly with just one port and one cross-connect. Once the cross-connect is set up, business-critical applications and cloud partners can be connected with a click of a button.

The Software-Defined Interconnect can tie together enterprise data centers, headquarters to regional centers, and branch offices. Console Connect can link business partners and supply chain and get private access to public clouds, such as AWS, and other available IaaS providers. It can also privately connect to critical commonly used applications and services such as video conferencing, unified communications and service desks to improve performance and security.

The complete solution includes the tools needed to manage multiple secure direct connections, monitor connection performance, and view bandwidth allocation and utilization. At any time, the customer can adjust bandwidth up and down as needed.

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Ms. Ronnie Klingner, President of Mobility and Digital Solutions, PCCW Global, said, “Console Connect enables access to some of the major cloud service providers across the globe for customers to access through the platform, including AWS, Azure, and Alibaba. By the third quarter this year, we aim to have all major cloud service providers on board as well as additional major SaaS providers.”

Ms. Klingner added, “The PCCW Global IP network is at the heart of Console Connect. We go to many parts of the world that others do not. Owning the network enables us to offer unique flexibility on bandwidth and terms. Other companies focus on the U.S. and Europe, and maybe one or two parts of Asia. PCCW Global is very diverse with presence all over North America, Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and most markets in Asia. We are not starting from scratch. PCCW Global already serves a significant multinational customer base. It is far easier for our existing customers and partners to join Console Connect’s platform, compared to other companies who may not yet have the scale of our global network. We are already here.”

The networking community is also unique to Console Connect, bringing customers and cloud providers together into an ecosystem where everyone can share information, discover new service providers, find partners in their supply chain, and build out their networks leveraging PCCW Global’s IP network. The Console Connect community is created by network engineers for network engineers, designed for knowledge sharing and growing customers’ networks. Members receive a stream of posts, articles and events created by their peers in the networking community, and can connect and collaborate in real time with chat and messaging.

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About PCCW Global

PCCW Global is the international operating division of HKT, Hong Kong's premier telecommunications service provider, which is majority-owned by PCCW Limited. Covering more than 3,000 cities and 150 countries, the PCCW Global network supports a portfolio of integrated global communications solutions which include Ethernet, IP, fiber and satellite transmission solutions, international voice and VoIPX services, managed network & security services and our expanding “as-a-service” solutions including OTT video and Unified Communications.

PCCW Global is headquartered in Hong Kong, and maintains regional centers in Belgium, China, France, Greece, Japan, Korea, Singapore, South Africa, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. To learn more about PCCW Global, please visit www.pccwglobal.com.

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HKT offers a unique quadruple-play experience in Hong Kong delivering media content on its fixed-line, broadband Internet access and mobile platforms jointly with its parent company, PCCW Limited.

HKT also provides a range of innovative and smart living services beyond connectivity to make the daily lives of customers more convenient, whether they are at home, in the workplace, or on the go. For more information, please visit www.hkt.com.

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