

## **Ericsson awarded network expansion contract by XL in Indonesia**

**Ericsson (NASDAQ:ERIC) has been awarded an expansion contract by PT Excelcomindo Pratama Tbk (XL) to expand its GSM/GPRS and WCDMA/HSPA in the country.**

Under the three-and-a-half-year frame agreement, Ericsson will supply both best-in-class 2G and 3G radio access network and MINI-LINK transmission equipment, as well as deployment of its proven Mobile Softswitch Solution. This is a step forward for XL in the evolution to an all-IP network, which is necessary to support the rapid growth and cost-efficiency of network capacity and coverage.

Ericsson will also supply the network deployment and integration, as well as network and technology consulting, such as network performance improvement, network capacity and design, among other services.

This network expansion will extend XL's footprint and enable it to address the ever-increasing need for mobile communications and broadband services in Indonesia.

Ericsson supported XL in its first introduction of 3G technology and services to Indonesia. This new agreement strengthens its position as a reliable partner for further expansion.

Hasnul Suhaimi, President Director of XL, says: "High-quality network coverage, bandwidth capacity, innovative products and services are key to our long-term growth and sustainability. We have selected Ericsson because we need a partner who can support us in fulfilling these requirements."

Bengt Thornberg, President, Ericsson Indonesia, says: "Ericsson has a longstanding relationship with XL and this major contract demonstrates the trust and commitment between the two companies. It showcases Ericsson Indonesia's capability to support our customers in all product areas – as well as services – in this high-growth market."

Ericsson's relationship with XL began in 1996 when it was first awarded the contract for GSM 900 in Jakarta and surrounding areas, followed by an expansion of the network to the rest of Java, Bali, and Lombok.

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**PT Excelcomindo Pratama Tbk (XL)**

XL, one of the subsidiaries of Telekom Malaysia (TM), is one of the leading telecommunication companies in Indonesia. XL started its commercial operations on 8 October 1996. Currently XL provides Consumer Solutions by offering dual band cellular networks through pre-paid cards *jempol* and *bebas* and post-paid card *Xplor*. Meanwhile, the Business Solutions unit of XL is a provider of leased line, broadband and IP (Internet Protocol)-based corporate solutions. On 21 September 2006, XL launched XL 3G, the first fastest and widest cellular telecommunication services based on 3G technology. TM is the Company's controlling majority shareholder with 67 percent ownership.