

Matrix Communications Group agrees £1.2 million carrier services contract with leading business ISP

Matrix Communications Group plc ('Matrix'), the UK 'Virtual Network Operator' (VNO), has today signed a two-year contract with IZR Solutions Ltd ('IZR'), a leading business ISP specialising in MPLS (Multi Protocol Label Switching) Wide Area Networking. The contract, which has a value of £1.2 million over two years, will involve IZR migrating its IP Clear, CellStream and FrameStream service requirements to Matrix in order to benefit from end-to-end support and access to a larger base of established carrier relationships at more compelling rates. The contract includes advanced technical support, dedicated project management and pre-sales support – all backed by Service Level Agreements (SLAs).

"Matrix Communications Group offers a range of commercial, organisational and technical support benefits that will give us an added competitive edge in the marketplace," commented Uwe Nitsche, Network and Operations Director of IZR Solutions. *"We've grown rapidly and successfully. By appointing Matrix to consolidate our carrier relationships on our behalf, we can concentrate on meeting the demands of our business customers."*

Ian Smith, Chief Executive of Matrix said:

"Matrix's carrier-neutral stance means that we deliver the most appropriate and cost-effective connectivity solutions. Our demonstrable ability to add value to our partners own offering was key to securing the contract. This, combined with our in-depth knowledge of the carrier market, our expertise in provisioning and deploying carrier services and our professional technical and support services, substantiates our move to become a leading UK VNO."

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About Matrix Communications Group Plc

Matrix (AIM: MXC) is a leading converged communications solutions provider that is rapidly evolving to a Virtual Network Operator (VNO) business in response to customer demand for fully integrated and managed voice and data services.

In the three years since its inception, Matrix has grown rapidly through a combination of strategic acquisition and organic growth into a £54 million business* comprising two divisions "Integration" and "Fujin", a specialist technology business focused on the delivery and control of mobile content for wireless operators. Matrix's strategy is to exploit the strengths of its Integration business, and the investment it has made in managed services, in order to provide customers with fully managed, leading edge technology solutions in data, voice and security, managed from the core to the edge of the Local Area Network and via the Wide Area Network, by superior 24x7 proactive management.

*2005 Revenues

For more information see www.mxcplc.com

About IZR Solutions Ltd.

IZR Solutions Ltd is a well-established Internet service provider of first class IP based Internet and Telecommunication Services, offering innovative and flexible solutions for the changing needs of organisations. With in-depth experience of networking and technology, IZR specialises in all elements of connectivity including: Wide Area Networks, IP Virtual Private Networks and Internet access.

As a highly experienced implementer of MPLS (Multi Protocol Label Switching), IZR provides its customers with strategic advice and guidance on how to achieve maximum benefit from the ever-diversifying connectivity options

As well as providing solutions directly, IZR also supports clients such as systems integrators, PBX vendors and voice/VoIP resellers that utilise connectivity solutions as part of their delivered services.

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