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MCMC CHAIRMAN: TELCOS SUPPORTIVE OF MINISTER’S CALL TO LOWER BROADBAND CHARGES

Cyberjaya, 2 March 2015 --- After pledging to have more engagement with the industry regarding price regulation last week, Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) Chairman, Dato’ Sri Dr Halim Shafie has announced that the service providers are supportive of the Communications and Multimedia Minister’s call to address affordable broadband prices.

“The industry shares the concerns of the Minister and will work with MCMC during the consultation process to address the issue of communication affordability particularly among the lower income population. This is a positive response from the industry and hope that the support by the industry CEOs will speed up the consultation process,” declared Dr Halim after recently chairing the first meeting with the CEOs of service providers since holding office in January this year.

Axiata’s group CEO, Datuk Seri Jamaludin Ibrahim had recently echoed his support, saying that the measure to lower service charges would be advantageous to the industry in the long run.

Chief Operating Officer and CEO-designate of DiGi, Albern Murty expressed similar support adding that: “Our aspiration of delivering Internet For All is rooted on the principle of affordable access for broadband and mobile internet services. DiGi therefore supports the call for lower prices, and will continue its efforts to bring best value to all customers.”

Chief Executive Officer of Maxis, Morten Lundal also concurred and said: “As a digital enabler, we are continuously helping our customers to have better access to the Internet by delivering the very best in mobile Internet and worry-free propositions. There is a fundamental change in the way we are using the Internet today, and Maxis is in full support of having affordable mobile services which will help complement that change.”

The first MCMC meeting with CEOs’ this year also discussed several important issues such as quality of service and the future direction of the industry focusing on innovation and content to enrich user experience.

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