



Hawaiki transpacific cable system ready for service in June 2018

FCC license granted
Oregon to Hawaii segment complete
Australia to Hawaii segment under implementation
New Zealand operations to start in January, including cable landing in Mangawhai
Heads

AUCKLAND, New Zealand and EATONTOWN, N.J., USA - January 18, 2018 - Hawaiki Submarine Cable LP and <u>TE SubCom</u>, a <u>TE Connectivity Ltd.</u> company and an industry pioneer in undersea communications technology, today announced that more than half of the 15,000km of undersea fiber-optic cable that comprise the Hawaiki transpacific cable system have been implemented by TE SubCom.

With several thousands of kilometers of undersea fiber-optic cable on board, TE SubCom's cable-laying vessel CS Responder is now berthed in Auckland, poised to begin marine activities for the New Zealand leg of the transoceanic cable system later this month. The operation will include the landing of the Hawaiki cable in Mangawhai Heads.

Hawaiki Updates

- The FCC license was granted to Hawaiki in December 2017.
- The US domestic segment between Oregon and Hawaii was completed in the last quarter of 2017.
- The international segment between Australia, New Zealand and Hawaii has been underway since early November 2017.
- Cable landings in Pacific City, Oregon; Oahu, Hawaii; and Sydney, Australia have been successfully completed.
- Cable landing in American Samoa is scheduled in March 2018.
- The Hawaiki cable system will be ready for service in June 2018.

About Hawaiki

 Hawaiki will link Australia and New Zealand to the mainland United States, as well as Hawaii and American Samoa, with options to expand to additional South Pacific islands.

- With more than 43 Tb of new capacity available to the market, Hawaiki will introduce true competition and dramatically drop the cost of connectivity across the Pacific region.
- As the first and only carrier-neutral cable system between Australia, New Zealand and the U.S., Hawaiki will be in a unique position to meet new market requirements and deliver tailored capacity solution at the most competitive price.

"The start of 2018 finds Hawaiki closer and closer to ready for service", said Remi Galasso, CEO of Hawaiki. "Landing the cable in its home country represents a major event for our team and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our New Zealand partners for their continuous support. Hawaiki will bring huge benefits to New Zealand in terms of greater connectivity to Australia and the US, security of supply, diversity and increased business opportunities for the Telecom and IT industries."

Chris Carobene, vice president, Marine Services, TE SubCom said, "We're proud of the progress to date on the Hawaiki system and look forward to it being ready for service later this year. The project showcases the SubCom team's expertise in the transpacific market and has been a great example of the kind of partnership that results in a successful venture."

Hawaiki Cable System Map



About Hawaiki Submarine Cable LP

Hawaiki Submarine Cable LP, headquartered in Auckland, New Zealand, is the owner and developer of the Hawaiki submarine cable system (Hawaiki). Hawaiki is a carrier-neutral submarine cable linking Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii and Oregon, on the U.S. west coast. For more information, visit www.hawaikicable.co.nz.

About TE SubCom

TE SubCom (SubCom), a TE Connectivity Ltd. company, is an industry pioneer in undersea communications technology and marine services, and a leading global supplier for today's undersea communications requirements. As a vertically integrated supplier, SubCom designs, manufactures, deploys, and maintains the industry's most reliable fiber optic cable systems. Its solutions include long-haul and regional systems, repeaterless networks, capacity upgrades, offshore oil and gas, and scientific research applications. SubCom brings end-to-end network knowledge and global experience to support on-time delivery and the needs of customers worldwide. To date, the company has deployed enough subsea communication cable to circle the Earth 15 times at the equator. For more information, visit www.subCom.com.

About TE Connectivity

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