

## **Symbio Acquires Carrier Access Code**

### **Prepares for National Carrier Interconnect**

(Sydney, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2010 – For Immediate Release) - Symbio Networks has acquired a Carrier Access Code (CAC), which will allow it to interconnect its VoIP network directly with the traditional Tier 1 Carriers in Australia. Once the CAC is deployed later this year, it will bring Symbio's VoIP network capabilities on-par with the existing Tier 1 and Tier 2 voice carriers in Australia.

One direct benefit of this project will be the capability to port local numbers (LNP) from Carriers directly onto its VoIP core network – something that the VoIP industry is struggling to achieve today, and a problem that is limiting the growth and penetration of VoIP services into the mass market. Additional benefits include increased quality, reliability and geographic reach of services.

As part of the interconnection project Symbio will also be expanding its current active network capacity to triple its current infrastructure volumes. Symbio is currently routing over 1 Billion VoIP minutes per annum, and expects that figure to grow significantly in the near future. Symbio expects this growth to be fuelled by an increased take up of VoIP services into the lucrative Small Business market, as well new mobile-VoIP and wireless-VoIP applications.

“The VoIP traffic on our network is growing rapidly as the wholesale market realises that we are a high quality, highly reliable network partner. We are the safe choice for VoIP providers who do not have the resources to build a carrier grade back-end network that meets all their regulatory requirements.” said Rene Sugo, Technical Director, “We complement our retail VoIP provider customers by supplying them with key capabilities critical to their business; such as Integrated Public Number Database (IPND), directory listings, emergency calling, Local Number Portability (LNP) and least cost routing to the PSTN and overseas.”

One of Symbio's key differentiators facilitating this project roll-out is its in-house R&D capabilities. This has allowed Symbio to develop all of the software needed for integration into to the Australian PSTN. Important B2B applications such as Local Number Portability, Carrier route selection, billing mediation and others have all been developed in-house; which means these capabilities are tightly integrated into Symbio's fully VoIP core network, highly automated and all Web-enabled. Previously these applications only existed for traditional protocols and systems, making them costly, bulky, and difficult to integrate into an all-IP world. Symbio's customers will be able to take full advantage of these applications with a simple to integrate SOAP interface which is fast and easy to develop with.

These benefits will be available to all Symbio's white label and hosted service wholesale customers. This will allow Symbio's customers to compete for business with carriers and resellers in the residential and business sectors. This will open up the lucrative Small to Medium Business (SMB) sector to VoIP competition allowing business to move to 100% VoIP telephony whilst retaining their existing phone numbers.

Symbio sees itself as an enabler of VoIP services for the Australian industry, and we will continue to invest heavily in R&D as well as infrastructure roll-out, to keep ourselves, and our wholesale customers ahead of the industry.

**Further Enquiries**

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**About Symbio**

Symbio is a provider of wholesale and hosted white-label VoIP and IP services with operations in Australia, New Zealand and Singapore. Symbio operates one of the largest pure VoIP carrier grade networks in the Asia-Pacific region, carrying over 1 Billion minutes of VoIP traffic annually. Symbio is 100% Australian owned and operated, with its headquarters in Sydney.

Further information on its services can be found at [www.symbionetworks.com](http://www.symbionetworks.com)