SmarTone Macau appoints Nokia Siemens Networks as sole network solution provider

(Hong Kong, 7 December 2009) SmarTone Macau, a subsidiary of SmarTone Telecommunications Holdings Limited, today announced the award of the sole network solution provider contract for its 2G and 3G mobile networks to Nokia Siemens Networks, following the winning of a 3G licence in September this year.

"We are very pleased to partner with Nokia Siemens Networks. With its world's leading telecommunications technology and services, SmarTone Macau will build an advanced HSPA+ network and is capable of evolving the network to 4G LTE through simple software upgrade," said Mr. Stephen Chau, Chief Technology Officer of SmarTone Telecommunications Holdings Limited.

Leveraging on the Group's leadership in voice, multimedia and broadband services in Hong Kong, SmarTone Macau is in a very strong position to provide a wide range of relevant, easy-to-use and innovative 3G services in Macau. With its best-in-class GSM/3G/HSPA+ network and expertise in total communications in Hong Kong, the Group is committed to create and deliver unbeatable experiences to Macau consumers.

"We are very excited to be the sole network solution provider of SmarTone Macau. Our core and radio network solutions will ensure unparalleled radio performance, superior coverage for wide and hot spot areas, not to mention a smooth migration to the next generation technology of mobile networks," said Mr. Mike Wang, Head of Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau Subregion, Nokia Siemens Networks.

"We are confident that the long term commitment with Nokia Siemens Networks will enable us to deliver the best services to consumers and bring enormous values to the Macau community as a whole," remarked Mr. Chau.

SmarTone Macau plans to launch its 3G services not later than the second half of 2010.

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