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Hutchison's Russell To Head To 3 UK

Hutchison Telecommunications Australia Appoints New CEO

Sydney, 6 November 2006 - Hutchison Telecommunications (Australia) Limited (ASX: HTA) today announced that its Chief Executive Officer Kevin Russell will be heading to 3 UK as Deputy CEO in the New Year. Russell will be replaced by Sales, Marketing and Product Director Nigel Dews.

"3 Australia is very well placed to continue to lead this market in delivering innovative new services and a new value proposition to the consumer which is beginning to change the way people use their mobiles", said Kevin Russell. "I am excited to be heading to our sister company to take on a new challenge, and feel immensely proud to have been able to work with such a strong and committed team at **3**."

Since Russell's appointment as CEO in Australia five years ago the company launched **3**, Australia's first 3G network, introduced cap pricing to the market, signed a joint venture with Telstra to share the 3G infrastructure, reached over 1 million 3G customers, closed its 2G operation to focus solely on 3G and hit the financial milestone of EBITDA positive in the **3** business. 3 Australia is recognised as leading the 3G market and holds industry-leading take up of content services by its customer base.

Kevin Russell will be replaced by Nigel Dews. Dews was appointed Director of Sales, Marketing and Product for **3** in 2003, and has led the company's sales, distribution and marketing across both consumer and business markets. Dews has also been responsible for the development of **3**'s award winning mobile content, products and services, and the supply of **3**'s 3G handsets.

"Kevin will be leaving 3 Australia in very good shape with a clear focus on one business and one brand," said Canning Fok, Chairman of Hutchison Telecoms. "Nigel has been instrumental in taking **3** from a small entrant in the market to a significant competitor and market leader. Under his leadership Nigel will take 3 Australia to the next stage – his strong media background and broad operational expertise are a huge asset."

Prior to joining Hutchison, Dews established and led the digital business at Fairfax for six years, and prior to that held senior consultancy roles at McKinsey & Company, as well as working for the Reserve Bank of Australia.

"I have enjoyed working with Kevin immensely for the past three years and it's a huge privilege to be leading the company next year – I look forward to continue working closely with Kevin and our sister company," said Nigel Dews. "3 Australia has always been instrumental in driving positive change for the consumer in the mobile market, and we will continue to do so in the years ahead."

Kevin Russell and Nigel Dews will commence their new roles in January 2007.

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About Hutchison Telecoms

Hutchison Telecoms is focused on delivering leading communications and multimedia services to the Australian consumer. Hutchison launched Australia's first 3G service in April 2003 – **3**. With over 1 million customers, **3** provides services such as live mobile TV, full length audio and music tracks, mobile broadband, videocalling and other information and entertainment services when in **3**'s Broadband Zones. **3**'s Broadband Zones are available in most parts of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Canberra and the Gold Coast. We also reach 96% of Australians with Talk, SMS, MMS, IM and Email.

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