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Aqua Comms Partners With Megaport to Enable Elastic Interconnectivity to Its Transatlantic Subsea Cable Network

Innovative Partnership Allows Enterprise Customers to Access Transatlantic Capacity on AEConnect via Megaport's Global Software Defined Network

DUBLIN – **November 16, 2016** — <u>Aqua Comms DAC</u> ("Aqua Comms"), the operator of Ireland's first dedicated subsea fibre-optic network interconnecting New York, Dublin and London, and <u>Megaport</u>, the global leading provider of Elastic Interconnection services, today announce a partnership whereby Aqua Comms grants Megaport access to <u>America-Europe</u> <u>Connect</u> ("AEConnect") to enable elastic interconnectivity to its transatlantic subsea cable network.

This innovative partnership will allow enterprise customers to access transatlantic capacity on AEConnect via Megaport's global Software Defined network. Megaport's customers will be able to turn on elastic interconnectivity services to Aqua Comms' transatlantic subsea network and take advantage of the agility and flexibility that this solution provides. These customers can now link services including cloud connections, Point to Points and remote peering between the U.S. and Europe, each way, without requiring a physical presence in either location.

"We're excited to partner with Megaport and enable its enterprise customers to rapidly connect their network to other services and data centres across the world via elastic interconnectivity to AEConnect," states Nigel Bayliff, CEO, Aqua Comms. "We're confident that this initial pact is a precursor to many successful alliances between our companies in the near future."

As with all Megaport enabled infrastructure, consumption will be based on cloud computing models, including month-to-month services. Megaport's estimated Ready for Service date is targeted for late November or early December. This is the first phase of a larger partnership between Aqua Comms and Megaport that may include additional capacity and terrestrial landings.

"Megaport's Software Defined Network will enable enterprises to utilize Aqua Comm's subsea capacity, connecting North America and Europe via elastic interconnection," comments Denver Maddux, CEO of Megaport. "This opens a whole new level of utility as IT architecture moves towards multi-region, multi-cloud deployments. Directly connecting and right-sizing capacity between regional public and private cloud infrastructure enables redundancy, improved security and better performance for cloud-based applications. As a leading provider of transatlantic bandwidth, Aqua Comms is the perfect partner to strengthen our service offerings on the heels Megaport's recent acquisitions and market launch in Europe. We are pleased to work with such an excellent company that provides critical connectivity services."

For more information about Aqua Comms, visit www.AquaComms.com or email media@aquacomms.com. For more information about Megaport, please visit www.Megaport.com.

About Aqua Comms DAC

Aqua Comms DAC is the owner and operator of the transatlantic cable AEConnect and the Irish Sea cable CeltixConnect, and was established with a vision to build, acquire or merge with subsea fibre-optic cable networks to provide capacity networking solutions to the global media, content providers and IT companies. To learn more about Aqua Comms and its new transatlantic subsea cable system, AEConnect, visit www.AquaComms.com.

About Megaport

Megaport is the global leading provider of Elastic Interconnection services. The Company's global Software Defined Network enables customers to rapidly connect their network to other services and data centres across the world. Services can be directly controlled by customers via their mobile devices, computer, or our open API. The Company's extensive footprint in Australia, Asia Pacific, North America, and Europe provides a neutral platform that spans many key data centre providers across various cities.

Led by industry veteran Denver Maddux, Megaport has been built by a highly experienced team with extensive knowledge in building large scale global carrier networks and cloud connectivity. Megaport connects over 550 customers throughout its 132 locations in 36 markets in 19 countries. Megaport is an Amazon AWS Technology Partner, Microsoft Azure ExpressRoute Partner, and Google Cloud Interconnect Partner. If you would like to learn more about Megaport, please visit megaport.com.

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