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VODACOM TANZANIA AWARDS CAMBRIDGE BROADBAND MAJOR NEW RADIO TRANSMISSION EQUIPMENT CONTRACT

Cambridge, UK, 5 September 2006: Vodacom Tanzania Limited has awarded a major new radio transmission equipment contract to Cambridge Broadband Limited. Vodacom Tanzania will be using Cambridge Broadband's VectaStar equipment to backhaul traffic from both mobile and data networks, including GSM, 3G and WiMAX sites.

The VectaStar wireless transmission equipment is currently being deployed, and the backhaul network will be in commercial operation before the end of 2006. Operating in the licensed 10.5GHz spectrum band, the network will cover the areas of Dar Es Salaam, Arusha, Moshi and Mwanza.

Vodacom selected VectaStar for both commercial and technical reasons, as Andre Barnard, Managing Executive for Operations in Vodacom Tanzania, explains: "A single VectaStar base station can simultaneously backhaul traffic from all types of fixed and mobile networks, providing us with a highly cost-effective platform compared to the previously used point-to-point radio systems. In addition, VectaStar's unique statistical multiplexing, Abis optimisation features and point-to-multipoint architecture maximise the amount of traffic that can be carried and make the best use possible of the available radio spectrum."

Another commercial reason Vodacom Tanzania selected Cambridge Broadband was the company's ability to deliver the solution in a timely manner, as Bjorn Krylander, Cambridge Broadband's Chief Executive Officer, explains: "We are providing the backhaul component

of Vodacom's network, and our equipment needs to be integrated into the network as a whole. Vodacom therefore needed a solution that could be delivered on time as well as to budget. We are pleased that our responsiveness in this area is another reason for Vodacom to select Cambridge Broadband, on top of VectaStar's technical performance."

He goes on to add: "We are thrilled to be working with such a market-leading and well-respected company within the worldwide Vodafone Group, and we look forward to continuing to build on the success of our relationship to date."

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About Cambridge Broadband www.cambridgebroadband.com

Cambridge Broadband provides telecommunications operators with carrier-class wireless point-to-multipoint transmission equipment. The company's unique approach to backhaul means that its technology provides operators with a highly compelling business case. To date, Cambridge Broadband's products have been commercially deployed and technically proven in more than 30 countries, and the company continues to expand into new geographical markets as wireless networks become more widespread throughout the world. Privately-held, Cambridge Broadband has headquarters in Cambridge, UK, with offices in Malaysia and South Africa and manufacturing facilities in China and the UK. The company is rapidly growing and currently has approximately 100 employees, primarily in development.

About VectaStar

VectaStar is a highly flexible, scalable point-to-multipoint radio transmission system that can be used for 2G and 3G cellular backhaul, WiMAX/WiFi/DSLAM backhaul and Enterprise access. VectaStar is the only

transmission solution with integrated Abis and Iub optimisation and dynamic statistical multiplexing to maximise the traffic that can be carried in any given bandwidth. This provides operators with the most efficient use of their radio spectrum and gives substantial operational and capital expenditure savings compared to leased line solutions. VectaStar's additional advantages include its superior capacity, range, service mix, spectral efficiency and built-in support for full redundancy. VectaStar seamlessly supports E1/T1, IP and ATM transmission protocols, providing operators with a comprehensive range of service offerings within a future proof platform. A single VectaStar base station supports simultaneous operation in the licensed 3.5GHz, 10.5GHz and 26GHz (24.5-26.5GHz) spectrum bands.

About Vodacom Tanzania www.vodacom.za

Vodacom Group (Proprietary) Limited owns a 65% interest in Vodacom Tanzania Limited, which was issued its license in December 1999 and launched operations in August 2000. Two local shareholders, Planetel Communications Limited and Caspian Construction Limited hold the remaining 16% and 19% respectively. Vodacom became the largest mobile communications network operator in Tanzania within one year of launching. The current package offerings are Vodago (prepaid), Vodachoice (contract) and Vodatariffa, an SMS based information service. The people's phone "Adondo" continues to form an integral part of the company's public phone offering and strategy. Vodacom has launched an IVR this year to improve customer service levels. Customers can now be served in two languages, namely Kiswahili and English.