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Ventia awarded fibre network build contract by Telstra

Ventia today announced it had been awarded a contract to deliver build services for Telstra InfraCo in the first phase of a new nationwide ultra-high capacity low-latency fibre project.

As part of the nationwide project, Ventia will lead the design and construction of specific high-capacity optic fibre routes, including various fibre links between Melbourne and Sydney and Sydney to Wilmington in South Australia.

The contract will commence immediately, and the first phase is expected to generate approximately \$125 million in revenue over a three-year build program.

"Ventia's collaborative approach to partnering on the inter-city fibre project will benefit our ambition to deploy new fibre technology, enabling transmission rates of over six times today's common rate," said Dean Jones, Telstra InfraCo Design & Construction Executive.

As part of a multi-year build, Telstra will be bolstering its national fibre network to improve its size, reach and bandwidth.

Mark Ralston, Ventia's Group Executive – Telecommunications, noted Ventia's background in building, operating and maintaining critical telecommunications infrastructure.

"Ventia has a long track-record in the delivery of national fibre networks and continues to play a key role in building the nation's telecommunications infrastructure. Our strategy is to redefine service excellence by being client-focused, innovative and sustainable."

"We're excited to continue our relationship with Telstra, and work alongside them to deliver innovative critical communications infrastructure that will help to drive the connectivity of the future," Mr Ralston said.

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More on the project

Telstra's new fibre network will deliver a new ultra-high capacity, low-latency fibre that will enable transmission rates of up to 650Gbps (six times today's common rate of 100Gbps). It will enable express connectivity between capital cities up to 55Tbps per fibre pair capacity (over six times today's typical capacity of 8.8Tbps per fibre pair).

Under the first phase of the build program, Ventia will lead the design and construction of fibre routes between Melbourne and Sydney via Cann River, and Sydney to Wilmington, South Australia via Broken Hill.

About Ventia

Ventia is a leading essential infrastructure services provider in Australia and New Zealand, proudly providing the services that keeps infrastructure working for our communities. Ventia has access to a combined workforce of more than 35,000 people, operating in over 400 sites across Australia and New Zealand. With a strategy to redefine service excellence by being client-focused, innovative and sustainable, Ventia operates across a broad range of industry segments, including defence, social infrastructure, water, electricity and gas, environmental services, resources, telecommunications and transport.