



Acquisition

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Computacenter plc, the European IT infrastructure services provider is pleased to announce the acquisition of Cable & Wireless Allnet Ltd, the in-premises cabling services (LAN) division of Cable & Wireless. Cable & Wireless Allnet Ltd has gross assets of £17M and net assets of £6M and the financial impact of the acquisition will not be material to Computacenter plc.

Separately, Cable & Wireless and Computacenter have entered into a master services agreement in which Computacenter will be a preferred supplier of LAN services to Cable and Wireless in the UK.

Cable & Wireless Allnet Ltd "Allnet" provides consultancy, provisioning support, installation, support and maintenance to a broad spectrum of corporate and government customers. The company has over 160 staff based in offices in London and Reading, as well as at customer sites.

Allnet's skills and experience are a valuable addition to Computacenter Services' growing Technology Solutions business in two key areas:

- The acquisition complements our existing capability in the growth area of converged IP-based networks and related security and managed services, where clients look to achieve cost savings and flexibility.
- Allnet is particularly strong in the structured cabling and facilities optimisation market, where it is identified as one of only three 'Tier 1' service providers identified by BSRIA (The Building Services Research and Information Association).

Jon Bennett, Computacenter Technology Solutions Director, comments; "The acquisition of Allnet furthers our strategy of building breadth and depth of capability in infrastructure services. We believe the addition of Allnet will give us significant synergies and new opportunities to grow our services business."

James Steventon, Managing Director of Allnet, comments; "Our union with Computacenter is a highly attractive proposition for our customers, giving them access to wider geographical coverage and a far broader range of services. As part of a leading end-to-end services provider, I am confident we are well placed to realise our full business potential as a technology company".

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