

## **ASX RELEASE**

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### **Vocus acquires dark fibre network**

Vocus Communications Ltd. (ASX:VOC) announced today that it has entered into an agreement to acquire the assets of Digital River Networks Pty Ltd, a national dark fibre network operator. Completion of the sale is expected to occur within the next 4 weeks, subject to conditions precedent.

The main assets acquired are 59 km of dark fibre predominantly in the Melbourne and Sydney CBDs and the associated customer contracts for the supply of dark fibre and metro ethernet services.

The purchase price for the assets is \$3.95m in cash.

Vocus CEO, James Spenceley said: "The addition of a dark fibre network brings a new product set to the company allowing Vocus to provide bundled metro fibre services with existing data centre and IP Transit products on a network entirely owned by Vocus. This is an important milestone for the company in our strategy to become the leading infrastructure provider to the telco, cloud computing and retail ISP markets."

Vocus expects to make further investments in the fibre network to enhance its reach and sales.

The transaction is expected to be earnings accretive in the second half of FY12 and funded from existing cash reserves.

### **About Vocus**

(ASX:VOC) Vocus Communications is an ASX listed leading telecommunications provider of wholesale data centre, voice, peering and international Internet connectivity to telecommunications companies and ISPs across Australia, NZ and the US. The company provides high performance, high availability, and highly scalable communications solutions, which allow service providers to quickly and easily deploy new services for their own customer base.

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