

Alcatel-Lucent selected by Thales/Dimetronic consortium for critical communications on Madrid-Valencia high-speed rail line in Spain

End-to-end integrated network solution to enhance signaling, safety and traffic control

Paris, January 26, 2009 – Alcatel-Lucent (Euronext Paris and NYSE: ALU) today announced it has been selected by the Thales/Dimetronic consortium to supply a comprehensive communications network solution for the 440 km-long high-speed railway line linking Madrid and Valencia in Spain.

The Alcatel-Lucent solution will support the signaling and traffic control systems and will bring the enhanced quality of service and reliability, which are fundamental in an environment with stringent safety requirements. The new communications network, which will be operational in the second half of 2010, will be the largest IP/MPLS network ever deployed for high-speed rail transport in Spain.

“High-speed lines require the maximum levels of security and reliability available and the involvement of the most skilled experts in its design, integration and maintenance. The team formed by Alcatel-Lucent and Thales is with no doubt the most qualified to meet the demanding requirements needed for these communications networks.” said Ignacio Rodríguez, General Manager of the Security Solutions and Services, Thales Spain.

“Alcatel-Lucent is committed to support Thales in this strategic IP network transformation project,” said Adolfo Hernández, President of Alcatel-Lucent’s activities in Europe, Middle East and Africa. “High speed rail networks rely upon safety and security, and our optical and IP network transformation experience around the world will provide the needed communications infrastructure to enable effective signaling, safety and traffic control systems for the Valencia to Madrid line in Spain.”

Alcatel-Lucent’s end-to-end solution will be based on its IP/MPLS and optical technologies and will include overall project management, installation and maintenance as well as global integration. The Alcatel-Lucent communications network will also feature a common management system, greatly improving its operation, based on the Netcool Tivoli commercial platform.

About Thales

Thales is a leading international electronics and systems group, addressing defense, aerospace and security markets worldwide. Thales’s leading-edge technology is supported by 22,000 R&D engineers who offer a capability unmatched in Europe to develop and deploy field-proven mission-critical information systems. To this end, the group’s civil and military businesses develop in parallel and share a common base of technologies to serve a single objective: the security of people, property and nations. The group builds its growth on its unique multi-domestic strategy based on trusted partnerships with national customers and market players, while leveraging its global expertise to support local technology and industrial development. Thales employs 68,000 people in 50 countries with 2007 revenues of €12.3 billion. For more info: www.thalesgroup.com

About Alcatel-Lucent

Alcatel-Lucent (Euronext Paris and NYSE: ALU) provides solutions that enable service providers, enterprises and governments worldwide, to deliver voice, data and video communication services to end-users. As a leader in fixed, mobile and converged broadband networking, IP technologies, applications and services, Alcatel-Lucent offers the end-to-end solutions that enable compelling communications services for people at home, at work and on the move. With operations in more than 130 countries, Alcatel-Lucent is a local partner with global reach. The company has the most experienced global services team in the industry, and one of the largest research, technology and innovation organizations in the telecommunications industry. Alcatel-Lucent achieved revenues of Euro 17.8 billion in 2007 and is incorporated in France, with executive offices located in Paris. For more information, visit Alcatel-Lucent on the Internet: <http://www.alcatel-lucent.com>

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