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BTL JOINS FORCES WITH HUAWEI MARINE



Meeting the two month scheduled installation on time and on budget, Belize Telemedia Ltd (BTL) and Huawei Marine are pleased to announce the successful delivery of BTL's Strategic Evolution Underwater Link (SEUL) project, bringing fiber-optic submarine cable connectivity to San Pedro, Ambergris Caye. Stretching over 23km from the Belize mainland to the Caye, this fiber optic connectivity will be integral in the delivery of world class, lightning fast broadband speeds to the island.

The project is the combined work of Belize's leading telecom, Belize Telemedia Ltd, and globally leading technical solution provider, Huawei Marine. This represents a critical milestone in BTL's previously announced four-year capital investment of \$100M committed by the company to radically transform and modernize the country's mobile and landline infrastructure. With the installation of the submarine cable, BTL will now be able to offer its DigiNet Broadband product to the entire island of Ambergris Caye; with broadband speeds of up to 130 Mbps.

On June 23, 2017 Rochus Schreiber, CEO of BTL met with Daniel Guerrero the Mayor of San Pedro Town to discuss the coordinated efforts needed for the future works of fiber installation and the upcoming DigiNet plan offers. Residents and the Business Community can expect faster, more reliable and affordable broadband via fiber as early as August 2017.



BTL CEO Rochus Schreiber with San Pedro Mayor Daniel Guerrero



BTL and Huawei Team on SEUL Project

Zhang Hongxiang, Project Director for Huawei

"In order to protect the environment, our delivery team chose to enclose the entire installation area with a turbidity silt curtain to reduce the impact on the environment. The effective delivery of the project not only reflects our customer-centric focus but is also the embodiment of Huawei Marine's commitment to environmental and social responsibility."

BTL's CEO Rochus Schreiber, said:

"The SEUL project is an important element of BTL's transformative Network Evolution Plan, and its delivery permits world class high-speed network connection between Belize and the island of Ambergris Caye, which will significantly enhance the prospects for economic development on the Caye – and eventually throughout the country. This milestone would not have been possible without the incredible effort and dedication of both Huawei Marine's professional delivery team and BTL's Network Engineering Team."



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