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**CSL & ZTE WIN GTB INNOVATION AWARD**  
***Successful rollout of Next G™ in Hong Kong recognized by***  
***Global Telecom Business in London***

**Hong Kong, 17 June 2009** - CSL Limited (CSL), Hong Kong's leading mobile operator, and ZTE, a leading global provider of telecommunications equipment and network solutions, have been awarded the prestigious National Mobile Services Award for ***Wireless Network Infrastructure*** at the GTB Innovation Awards from Global Telecoms Business in London.

The GTB Innovation Awards conducted by Global Telecoms Business in London and were established to recognize innovative telecommunications projects and services from around the world.

CSL and ZTE's award for Wireless Network Infrastructure recognizes their outstanding ability to fully replace CSL's original 2G and 3G already advanced network capabilities with a world-class integrated all-IP SDR (Software Defined Radio) based HSPA+ network capable of downlink speeds up to 21Mbps, the first of its kind in the world.

CSL Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Tarek Robbiati, said: "We are proud to have received this global award for National Mobile Services in recognition of our technological innovation and excellence in implementation for our network, Next G™. This award reflects CSL's ability to differentiate from our competitors and our leading position in rolling out a world-class network and services that exceed customer expectations.

We offer our customers not only the fastest and most reliable all-IP network in the market that we serve, but more importantly, the best user experience they can enjoy, for both work and fun. We are also delighted to have equipped Hong Kong with a world-class infrastructure that contributes to extend Hong Kong's lead as a premier market-focused economy in the world. "

"ZTE has been working together with CSL to achieve the goal of deploying the fastest and green SDR-based HSPA+ network in Hong Kong. We are very glad to see that this

goal has come true and has been recognised by this GTB award today.” ZTE Senior Vice President, Mr. Xu Huijun said.

Next G™ is an award-winning network with unparalleled performance and functionality and ensures true mobility with enhanced productivity and mobile multimedia experience for customers. In conjunction with our parent Telstra corporation’s Next G™ network in Australia, it is the world’s fastest mobile broadband network recognised as such by the Guinness World Records.

### **About CSL Limited**

CSL is Hong Kong’s first and leading mobile network operator. It is also the first mobile company in Hong Kong to employ a distinctive market segmentation strategy and it uses leading-edge technologies to provide customer-focused services through segmented brands: [1O1O](#), [One2Free](#) and [New World Mobility](#).

It operates a world-class GSM / WCDMA network through which it offers comprehensive post and pre-paid mobile services to both local and international customers. CSL is also the leading roaming operator in Hong Kong to provide unmatched international multi-media connectivity with over 400 mobile operators around the world. For more information, please visit <http://www.hkcsl.com/>.

CSL is a subsidiary of Telstra Corporation Limited, Australia’s leading telecommunications and information services company (<http://www.telstra.com/>).

### **About ZTE**

ZTE is a leading global provider of telecommunications equipment and network solutions. It has the widest and most complete product range in the world – covering virtually every sector of the wireline, wireless, service and terminals markets. The company delivers innovative, custom-made products and services to over 500 operators in more than 140 countries, helping them to achieve continued revenue growth and to shape the future of the world’s communications. ZTE commits around 10% of its annual turnover to research and development and takes a leading role in a wide range of international bodies developing emerging telecoms standards. ZTE leads China’s 3G industry with about 30% share of the total 3G equipment market in 2008. A company with a sound corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives, ZTE is a member of the UN Global Compact that strictly adheres to the Ten Principles of the Global Compact in developing and carrying out CSR programs. ZTE is China’s only listed telecoms manufacturer, with shares publicly traded on both the Hong Kong and Shenzhen Stock Exchanges (H share stock code: 0763.HK / A share stock code: 000063.SZ). For more information, please

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