

## Thaicom subsidiary LTC honored with medal from Lao government



*Nonthaburi, Thailand, 8 December 2016* – **Lao Telecommunications Company Limited (LTC)**, a subsidiary of Thaicom PLC and the leading mobile network operator in Lao People’s Democratic Republic (Lao PDR), received the Medal of Labour, First Class from the government of Lao PDR. The company was honored for its outstanding business performance and the value it has created through the development and expansion of telecommunications networks throughout Lao PDR. The honor comes just as LTC is celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> year in operation.

The Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications submitted a proposal for the Lao government to honor LTC with a medal in recognition of LTC’s contributions to the country. The Prime Minister approved the nomination and appointed His Excellency Dr. Thansamay Kommasith, Minister of Posts and Telecommunications, to present the medal to LTC in a ceremony held at LTC headquarters in Lao PDR’s capital city of Vientiane.

The Lao government also presented the Cross of Labour to Mr. Piyawat Jriyasetapong, LTC’s Senior General Manager, and Mr. Pawaris Iam-am, manager of finance and accounting, for their achievements and dedication in working to consistently grow the company as well as for their contributions to the

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country's development. Mr. Piyawat and Mr. Pawaris are the first LTC employees to receive the Cross of Labour, which is approved directly by the Prime Minister and considered one of the highest honors granted by the Lao government. Such recognition demonstrates the close relationship of cooperation between LTC and Lao government as they continue to work towards further development together.

These honors are an affirmation of Thaicom's efforts to create shared value for all stakeholders in every country in which Thaicom carries out business.

**Photo - From Left to Right:**

1. Mr. Pawaris Iam-am, manager of finance and accounting
2. His Excellency Dr. Thansamay Kommasith, Minister of Posts and Telecommunications
3. Mr. Piyawat Jriyasetapong, LTC's Senior General Manager

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