

## Thaicom reports operating results for third quarter 2018

*Nonthaburi, Thailand, 31 October 2018* – **Thaicom Public Company Limited (THCOM)**, Thailand's first satellite operator, reported its operating results for the third quarter of 2018, posting a consolidated net profit of Baht 104 million, improved by 59.6% from Q3/2017, due mainly to the decrease of depreciation expense through the satellite assets impairment recognized in Q4/2017, and the decrease of selling and administration expenses.

The consolidated revenue from sales of goods and rendering of services increased by 0.6% from Q2/2018, contributed mainly by the ramp up of satellite revenue from oversea clients. However, compared to the previous quarter, the net profit was down by 58.6%, caused mainly by the recognition of net foreign exchange loss of Baht 36 million in Q3/2018 as a result of Baht appreciation in Q3/2018, together with the decrease of the share of profit from LTC due to the drop of telephone usage according to the disaster from dam collapse in Laos.

During the third quarter of 2018, the company signed a multi-year consultancy service agreement with Bangladesh Communication Satellite Company Limited (BCSCL), a Bangladesh Government owned satellite operator in order to develop Bangabandhu Satellite-1 program and future markets. Together with the successfully deal with Uniwise Offshore Limited, one of Asia's leading offshore support vessel (OSV) operators selects Nava™ to enhance the operations on their entire fleet of more than 30 vessels.

Thaicom's telecommunication and mobile service provider subsidiary in Lao PDR, **Lao Telecommunications Co., Ltd. (LTC)** as of the end of Q3/2018, had total mobile subscribers (excluded fixed wireless) of 1.52 million subscribers, ranking No.1 with approximately 58.0% of total mobile's market share.

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### **About THAICOM**

THAICOM Public Company Limited, a leading Asian satellite operator, was established in 1991. The Company was the first to launch a broadband satellite in the world, and is a leader in developing integrated solutions for satellite broadband and broadcast services. The Company's engineering teams provide leading-edge innovative solutions for satellite-based telecommunications services. Since its establishment the Company has launched eight satellites, with five satellites in operation: THAICOM 4 (IPSTAR) provides a variety of broadband and data services, including cellular backhaul, mobility, government USO support, content delivery, business continuity and emergency services in thirteen countries in Asia Pacific.

THAICOM 6 is to expand the Company's broadcast carrying capacity in SE Asia and Africa (by the name "AFRICOM 1") and is collocated with THAICOM 5 and THAICOM 8 at 78.5 degrees East. THAICOM 7 was launched in September 2014 to provide media & data services for Asia's and Australasia's entertainment and telecom industries at 120 degrees East. THAICOM 8 was launched in May 2016 to expand Thaicom's servicing capacity and footprint in the region. Thaicom is traded on the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) under the trade symbol "THCOM".

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