



Singapore Cruise Centre Signs \$2.5 Million Contract With NEC For Advanced IT Services

Greater operational efficiency realised through high technology, cost savings re-invested into improving customer service

Singapore, 19 January 2006 – Singapore Cruise Centre (SCC) has officially appointed NEC Solutions Asia Pacific Pte Ltd (NECSAP) as its technology partner to heighten its operational efficiency. Mr. Cheong Teow Cheng, President, SCC, and Mr. Tomohiro Yagi, CEO, NECSAP, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the S\$2.5 million project today.

The project aims to enhance SCC's cruise and ferry terminal operations for higher operational efficiency and better customer service and security. NECSAP will integrate the world's leading technology into its various operations, including implementation of the region's first *RFID-enabled boarding pass, and incorporating real-time information via SCC's existing web portal, www.singaporecruise.com.

Mr. Cheong Teow Cheng, President, SCC, commented, "With the rapid pace of technological change, the Singapore Cruise Centre is committed to provide our customers with state-of-the-art systems to increase our efficiency and productivity and also improve passenger clearance, convenience and comfort. In this respect, Singapore Cruise Centre Pte Ltd is proud to be associated with our IT partner, NEC Solutions Asia Pacific, to achieve this goal."

"We are very pleased to be awarded this significant project and given the opportunity to provide a total solution for enhanced ferry and cruise terminal operations from a strategic perspective," said Mr. Tomohiro Yagi, CEO, NECSAP. "We hope that our wide-encompassing solutions and systems integration expertise in implementing large-scale turnkey systems will contribute to Singapore Cruise Centre's aim of providing innovative services to its customers."

The project has commenced since November 2005 and is expected to be delivered in stages progressively with complete implementation by March 2007.

*RFID: Radio Frequency Identification

About NEC Solutions Asia Pacific Pte Ltd

A wholly-owned subsidiary of NEC Corporation, NEC Solutions Asia Pacific is a leading information technology services provider with core competencies spanning the entire range of systems integration and consultancy services. This includes world-class identity solutions, turnkey implementation of mission-critical solutions, project management, and regional systems support and maintenance services. As the NEC regional hub for systems integration in South Asia, the company also supports sales and services in South Asia including Malaysia and Thailand for systems integration. NEC Solutions Asia Pacific is the first recipient of the Singapore Economic Development Board's International Headquarters Award.

The company's suite of solutions and services covers Systems Integration, Identity Solutions, RFID Solutions, Financial Solutions, Retail Management Solutions, Managed Services & Outsourcing Centre, Manufacturing Business Solutions, Enterprise Resource Planning, Imaging and Workflow Solutions, Enterprise Information Portals and Knowledge Management, NECare Service Centre, Enterprise Servers, Network Solutions and Multimedia Products. Visit www.nec.com.sg/ap.

About NEC Corporation

NEC Corporation (NASDAQ: NIPNY) (FTSE: 6701q.l) is one of the world's leading providers of Internet, broadband network and enterprise business solutions dedicated to meeting the specialized needs of its diverse and global base of customers. Ranked as one of the world's top patent-producing companies, NEC delivers tailored solutions in the key fields of computer, networking and

electron devices, by integrating its technical strengths in IT and Networks, and by providing advanced semiconductor solutions through NEC Electronics Corporation. The NEC Group employs more than 140,000 people worldwide and had net sales of 4,855 billion yen (approx. \$45 billion) in the fiscal year ended March 2005. For additional information, please visit the NEC home page at: <http://www.nec.com>

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