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CITIC Telecom CPC becomes Versa Networks's First Greater China SASE & SD-WAN Managed Services Partner

Inaugural partnership optimizes combined strengths of both companies in networking, security, industry verticals acumen and market reach



From left to right: Representatives from **CITIC Telecom CPC**, Jacky Kwok (Chief Commercial Officer) & Taylor Lam (Chief Strategy Officer); together with representatives from **Versa Networks**, Martin Mackay (Chief Revenue Officer) & Rachel Ler (Vice President, Asia Pacific & Japan)

Hong Kong, 24th May 2023 – CITIC Telecom International CPC Limited ("CITIC Telecom CPC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of CITIC Telecom International Holdings Limited (SEHK: 1883) is pleased to announce it has become Versa Networks's first Greater China <u>Secure Access Service Edge (SASE)</u> & SD-WAN Managed Services Partner. Versa Networks is the recognized leader of single-vendor Unified SASE.

This partnership leverages Versa Networks's market-leading technologies to enhance and expand CITIC Telecom CPC's integrated network-security portfolio, offering a new managed secure networking solution combining SASE, SD-WAN and 24x7 monitoring services to help accelerate the digital transformation of enterprise customers across the globe, especially in Greater China.

A Powerful Partnership

This powerful partnership between CITIC Telecom CPC and Versa Networks allows for mutually beneficial collaboration. As the market leader in SASE and SD-WAN, Versa Networks contributes its technological innovations, while benefiting from CITIC Telecom CPC's strengths in Greater China market acumen and reach, including navigating local regulations, compliance policies and years of





customer experience. In turn, by joining resources and expertise with Versa Networks, CITIC Telecom CPC can enhance the features and functionality of its own portfolio and bring to market a new integrated offering encompassing connectivity, security, and 24x7 monitoring to expedite the digital transformation journeys of CITIC Telecom CPC's customers across the region.

"This collaboration amplifies the core competencies of both companies," said Taylor Lam, Chief Strategy Officer of CITIC Telecom CPC. "Versa Networks has a strong reputation for innovation and delivering industry-leading networking and security solutions. We are proud to be Versa Networks's first Greater China SASE & SD-WAN Managed Services Partner, and can now further support the success of our customers with the power of Versa Networks's impressive technology. This partnership underscores our ongoing commitment to delivering the best possible solutions to our customers, and to collaborating with top technology vendors in their respective segments."

"CITIC Telecom CPC has a proven track record of delivering high-quality managed services to customers across regions and in Greater China," said Martin Mackay, Chief Revenue Officer, Versa Networks. "CITIC Telecom CPC's technical and business expertise, commitment to innovation and service excellence, and localized capabilities make them an ideal partner for us as we continue to expand our global footprint. Our combined strengths in managed services, networking, security, and cloud solutions will provide mutual customers with more comprehensive and powerful ways to address and resolve even their most complex secure network and access challenges."

Through this partnership, now with the latest Secured SD-WAN solution, customers can enjoy comprehensive managed network-security service from both top-notch players, coupled with CITIC Telecom CPC's Global-Local one-stop managed ICT services; and Versa Networks's world-class SASE and SD-WAN technologies, including key capabilities such as multi-tenancy, multi-service, zero-touch provisioning and a broad set of networking and security functions to increase IT and security agility.

Continuously Elevating Infrastructure and Capabilities for Superior Managed Service Excellence

Collaborating with Versa Networks further empowers CITIC Telecom CPC's steadfast momentum of systematically refining its already world-class infrastructure and capabilities. This headway is demonstrated by the recent launch of the company's third 24x7 Security Operations Center (SOC) in Shanghai, further elevating superior cloud and network security capabilities to actively support mainland and international enterprises with Greater China business operations. With proficiencies in cloud computing, cybersecurity, network management, and decades of business and market knowledge, CITIC Telecom CPC offers managed ICT solutions worldwide, with a particular focus on Greater China. Its Fully Managed Services provide total visibility, optimization, automation and hands-on management of IT systems and resources across the globe, to meet enterprise customers' networking, security, data, applications and multi-cloud demands.

CITIC Telecom CPC is a global-local data-driven information, communication, and technology (DICT) service provider that empowers enterprises with intelligent capabilities and vital innovations. Via partnering with Versa Networks, CITIC Telecom CPC maintains its position at the forefront of the industry and underscores its commitment to delivering the most modern secured ICT solutions and the highest level of service quality to its customers, anytime, anywhere.

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About CITIC Telecom CPC

We are CITIC Telecom International CPC Limited ("CITIC Telecom CPC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of CITIC Telecom International Holdings Limited (SEHK: 1883), serving multinational enterprises the world over by addressing their specific ICT requirements with highly scalable tailored solutions built upon our flagship technology suites, comprising TrueCONNECT[™] private network solutions, TrustCSI[™] information security solutions, DataHOUSE[™] cloud data center solutions, and SmartCLOUD[™] cloud computing solutions.

With the motto "Innovation Never Stops," we leverage innovative technologies, embracing AI, AR, Big Data, IoT, and other cutting-edge emerging technologies to transform technical potential into business value for our customers. As an enterprise digital transformation partner, we strive to help our customers achieve industry-leading positions, high agility, and cost-efficiency through digitalization.

With our Global-Local capabilities, we are committed to providing our customers with one-stopshop ICT solutions with superior quality. Having a worldwide footprint across nearly 160 countries, including Asia, Europe and America, Africa, the Middle East, and Central Asia, our global network resources connect over 160 points of presence (POPs), 60 SDWAN gateways, 21 Cloud service centers, 30+ data centers, and three dedicated 24x7 Security Operations Centers (SOCs). We are certified with a series of international certifications, including SD-WAN Ready, ISO 9001, 14001, 20000, 27001, and 27017, to ensure our services compliance with international standards and resources for enterprises. We offer local professional services, superior delivery capabilities as well as exceptional customer experience and best practices through our global presence and extensive industry know-how, becoming a leading integrated intelligent ICT service provider to enterprise customers.

For more information, please visit www.citictel-cpc.com

About Versa Networks

Versa Networks, the leader in single-vendor Unified SASE platforms, delivers AI/ML-powered SSE and SD-WAN solutions. The platform provides networking and security with true multitenancy, and sophisticated analytics via the cloud, on-premises, or as a blended combination of both to meet SASE requirements for small to extremely large enterprises and Service Providers. Thousands of customers globally with hundreds of thousands of sites and millions of users trust Versa with their mission critical networks and security. Versa Networks is privately held and funded by Sequoia Capital, Mayfield, Artis Ventures, Verizon Ventures, Comcast Ventures, BlackRock Inc., Liberty Global Ventures, Princeville Capital, RPS Ventures and Triangle Peak Partners. For more information, visit <u>https://www.versa-networks.com</u> or follow Versa Networks on Twitter <u>@versanetworks</u>.

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