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## **HAWAIIKI TRANSPACIFIC CABLE ROUTE SURVEY COMPLETED WHILE MANUFACTURING AND PERMITTING PROCESSES PROGRESS SWIFTLY**

*Hawaiki Cable Remains on Schedule for mid-2018 Completion*

**AUCKLAND, New Zealand and EATONTOWN, N.J., USA - Jan. 16, 2017** - Hawaiki Submarine Cable LP and [TE SubCom](#), a [TE Connectivity Ltd.](#) company and an industry pioneer in undersea communications technology, today announced the completion of the route survey for Hawaiki, the 14,000 km transpacific cable system scheduled for completion in mid-2018. Additionally, cable and repeater manufacturing for the system continues unabated at SubCom's Newington, N.H. USA facility, while the permitting process for implementation of Hawaiki is progressing as planned. Hawaiki will link Australia and New Zealand to the mainland United States, as well as Hawaii and American Samoa, with options to expand to several other South Pacific islands.

### **Hawaiki Cable Updates**

- SubCom has completed the route survey for the entire Hawaiki system, including the small boat, shallow water work for all landings.
- Manufacturing continues at SubCom's facility, with more than 4,500 km of completed cable and more than 25 completed repeaters.
- Production of Hawaiki branching units, which will enable the connection of American Samoa, New Caledonia, Fiji and Tonga, has commenced.
- The permitting process for Hawaiki is well under way, with Australian installation permits already issued and additional landing permits filed in Oregon, Hawaii and New Zealand.

### **About Hawaiki Cable**

- Hawaiki will be the highest cross-sectional capacity link between the U.S. and Australia and New Zealand.
- As a carrier-neutral cable system, Hawaiki will usher in a new era of international connectivity benefitting businesses and consumers across the Pacific region.
- The system was co-developed by New Zealand-based entrepreneurs Sir Eion Edgar, Malcolm Dick and Remi Galasso.

"The start of 2017 finds the Hawaiki cable system closer and closer to ready for service," said Remi Galasso, CEO of Hawaiki. "The information garnered from the recently completed deep water route survey will be instrumental in ensuring the long-term viability of the cable system and we are thrilled with the progress on the cable and repeater manufacturing efforts. Installation will

begin later in 2017 and a fully lit system that should positively impact the entire region is soon to follow.”

“Our partnership with Hawaiki’s operations team is very productive and system manufacturing is well on track,” said Debra Brask, vice president, project and program management, TE SubCom. “In addition, permits are secured in Australia and are well underway in other locations. We continue to be on schedule for a mid-2018 completion.”

## System Map



### About Hawaiki Submarine Cable LP

Hawaiki Submarine Cable LP, headquartered in Auckland, New Zealand, is the owner and developer of the Hawaiki submarine cable system (Hawaiki). Hawaiki is a carrier-neutral submarine cable linking Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii and Oregon, on the U.S. west coast. For more information, visit [www.hawaikicable.co.nz](http://www.hawaikicable.co.nz).

### About TE SubCom

TE SubCom (SubCom), a TE Connectivity Ltd. company, is an industry pioneer in undersea communications technology and marine services, and a leading global supplier for today’s undersea communications requirements. As a vertically integrated supplier, SubCom designs, manufactures, deploys, and maintains the industry’s most reliable fiber optic cable systems. Its solutions include long-haul and regional systems, repeaterless networks, capacity upgrades, offshore oil and gas, and scientific research applications. SubCom brings end-to-end network knowledge and global experience to support on-time delivery and the needs of customers worldwide. To date, the company has deployed more than 100 cable systems and enough subsea

communication cable to circle the globe 15 times at the equator. For more information, visit [www.SubCom.com](http://www.SubCom.com).

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