



## **XO Communications Partners with Pacific Crossing to Provide High-Capacity, High-Speed Connection Between Asia and U.S.**

*Deal supplies immediate access to 160Gb of capacity (via multiple 10G waves) on Pacific Crossing's trans-Pacific network*

**HERNDON, VA – January 19, 2009** – XO Communications (OTCBB: XOHO) and Pacific Crossing, a trans-Pacific, privately owned carrier-class service provider, today announced a transaction resulting in a rapidly activated connection between XO's nationwide network and Pacific Crossing's privately owned sub-sea fiber ring. Through the agreement with Pacific Crossing, XO is able to offer customers the lowest latency, most direct option for voice and data transmission between the United States and Asia.

Specifically, XO has linked to Pacific Crossing's PC-1 network at the company's Grover Beach, Calif., landing station. The station carries data to and from Pacific Crossing landing stations in Shima and Ajigaura Japan, where customers may access major Asian networks and carriers. Landing station facilities have easy access to multiple backhaul providers and are in close proximity to Tokyo and Nagoya, linking the system to major metropolitan areas in Japan, as well as other sub-sea networks serving Asia.

Customers in Asia can be directed to cities across the United States via XO's more than one-million mile stretch of network fiber, eliminating costly toll charges and, thus, providing customers with a cost-efficient option for trans-Pacific communications. Furthermore, a recent doubling in the capacity of the PC-1 network, along with other upgrades, ensures that the XO-Pacific Crossing partnership has room to grow.

"When searching for a trans-Pacific partner, we looked for companies that could offer the needed capacity, as well as reliability, resiliency and redundancy," said Don MacNeil, vice president of XO Carrier Services Operations. "Pacific Crossing not only met our technical criteria but has an experienced leadership team committed to quality service, making it a natural choice for XO."

The PC-1 network's unique four fiber-pair ring architecture allows traffic to be rerouted quickly and automatically, ensuring continuous service for carriers looking to connect to Japan, China and beyond. With 41 percent of global telecommunications revenue expected to come from Asia by 2013 (source: Insight Research, 2008), providing reliable trans-Pacific routes will be essential to remaining competitive in the carrier marketplace.

"XO's strength and credibility combined with Pacific Crossing's asset and strong service reliability record position us to provide an unparalleled offering for carrier and large enterprise customers in both Asia and the U.S.," said John Garrett, global head of sales for Pacific Crossing. "It's clear that trans-Pacific telecom connections remain in high demand, supported by our record sales in 2008 of more than 300Gb of capacity."

With an agreement to utilize an initial 160Gb of capacity, of which 120Gb has already been activated, the XO-Pacific Crossing partnership is one of the largest trans-Pacific telecommunications deals in recent history. The service is currently available to customers, having been deployed in less than a month using Infinera's platform. For more information on XO's trans-Pacific network connection, contact an XO sales representative by calling 800.474.1763, 1+ 303.539.7738, or 1+ 972.578.6496.

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XO Communications, a subsidiary of XO Holdings, Inc. (OTCBB: XOHO), is a leading nationwide provider of advanced communications services and solutions for businesses, enterprises, government, carriers and service providers. Its customers include more than half of the Fortune 500, in addition to leading cable companies, carriers, content providers and mobile network operators. Utilizing its unique combination of high-capacity nationwide and metro networks and broadband wireless capabilities, XO offers customers a broad range of managed voice, data and IP services with proven performance, scalability and value in more than 75 metropolitan markets across the United States. For more information, visit [www.xo.com](http://www.xo.com).

### **About Pacific Crossing Limited**

Pacific Crossing owns and operates a trans-Pacific subsea fibre-optic network ring connecting the U.S. and Japan. The company's 21,000km PC-1 submarine cable system offers the highest reliability and the lowest latency across the Pacific. Supported by extensive backhaul into major U.S. and Japanese cities, Pacific Crossing's infrastructure offers seamless interconnection to virtually every major international network operator for onward global access. The company delivers state-of-the-art capacity and managed network services at competitive prices to a growing customer base of carriers, media and information transport intensive enterprise customers. The company is registered in Hamilton, Bermuda, with principal offices in San Francisco and Dallas, U.S.A., and, Tokyo Japan. For more information, please visit: [www.pc1.com](http://www.pc1.com)

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