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GTT Partners with Ziply Fiber® to Extend Connectivity in U.S. Pacific Northwest Region

Companies partner to provide an initial 400G of capacity in fast-growing data center market

MCLEAN, Va., Jan. 17, 2023 — <u>GTT Communications, Inc.</u>, a leading global provider of managed network and security services to multinational organizations, has announced that it has expanded its partnership with <u>Ziply Fiber</u>, a provider of fiber networks purpose-built for the internet, to establish a new network Point of Presence (PoP) to serve the fast-growing data center market in Portland, Oregon.

The new PoP is providing an initial 400G of capacity to customers in the U.S. Pacific Northwest region and will expand the power of GTT's global Tier 1 IP network by offering an additional option for customers to connect in 11 major data centers and the Hillsboro subsea cable landing station, expanding the reach of GTT via Ziply Fiber's high-count Silicon Forest fiber cross connection service.

"We are pleased to expand our partnership with GTT to establish a new network PoP in Portland to help customers in the region and beyond to connect to area data centers as well as other geographies," said Mike Daniel, vice president of Enterprise Sales at Ziply Fiber. "Our regional fiber network, combined with GTT's global Tier 1 network and suite of leading managed networking and security services, will give enterprises new options to improve connectivity securely and reliably."

<u>GTT's global Tier 1 IP backbone</u> is ranked among the largest in the industry¹ and connects more than 260 cities on six continents. With the addition of the new Portland PoP, GTT customers in the region can benefit from the improved connectivity, security and scalability available through GTT's suite of managed connectivity services.

Ziply Fiber's network was architected to meet today's increasing digital demands and was engineered to be fully redundant, with a dual infrastructure that maintains customer connections even when issues arise. Ziply Fiber maintains a four-state footprint in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana and has built redundancies into its network to avoid service interruptions, while updating routing to steer clear of congestion across the broader internet. This ensures content is accessible directly on the fiber backbone and can be accessed more quickly.

"This new PoP deployment creates an exciting opportunity to use the Ziply Fiber network to allow our regional data center customers to easily connect to and take advantage of GTT's global Tier 1 IP network and our full suite of managed services offerings," said Jim Delis, president, Americas Division, GTT. "Our work with Ziply Fiber demonstrates GTT's continued focus on investment to expand the reach of our network for customers with locations in the Pacific Northwest."

GTT also recently <u>announced</u> a 400G upgrade to its global Tier 1 IP network at multiple network layers that include the core IP backbone and metro extensions, as well as customer service nodes.

¹ Source: Caida. July 2022.

About GTT

GTT is a managed network and security services provider to global organizations. We design and deliver solutions that leverage advanced cloud, networking and security technologies. We complement our solutions with a suite of professional services and exceptional sales and support teams in local markets around the world. We serve thousands of national and multinational companies with a portfolio that includes SD-WAN, security, Internet, voice and other connectivity options. Our services are uniquely enabled by our top-ranked, global, Tier 1 IP backbone, which spans more than 260 cities on six continents. The company culture is built on a customer-first service experience reinforced by our commitment to operational excellence and continuous improvement in our business, environmental, social and governance practices. For more information, visit <u>www.gtt.net</u>.

About Ziply Fiber

Ziply Fiber is local in the Northwest, headquartered in Kirkland, Washington, and has major offices in Everett, Washington; Beaverton, Oregon; and Hayden, Idaho. Most of Ziply Fiber's executive team, which consists of former executives from AT&T, CenturyLink and Wave Broadband, either grew up in the Northwest or have spent the better part of 30 years living here. That local ownership and market familiarity is an important part of the company mindset and culture. Ziply Fiber's primary service offerings are Fiber Internet and phone for residential customers, Business Fiber Internet and Ziply Voice services for small businesses, and a variety of Internet, networking and voice solutions for enterprise customers. The company also continues to support Ziply Internet (DSL) customers and its TV customers in Washington and Oregon. A full listing of products and services can be found at <u>ziplyfiber.com</u>.

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