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Azure, the revenue assurance company, will be hosting three sessions at the Next-Generation Billing Systems & Processes and Optimising Interconnect Accounting & Settlement Strategies telecom conferences, taking place at The Radisson SAS Hotel, Nice, France between Monday December, 6 and Thursday December, 9 2004.

Jon Fowler, interconnect product manager and Martin Browne, vice president of business development at Azure, will be co-hosting a pre-conference workshop on Monday December 6 at 10.00am entitled: 'Examining emerging and future trends in interconnect accounting and settlements'. In the session, Azure will examine current industry interconnect accounting, fraud and margin management issues, as well as examine the latest business models relating to interconnect accounting.

At the Optimising Interconnect Accounting and Settlement Strategies conference, where Azure will be the associate sponsor, Martin Browne will be hosting a session on Wednesday December 8 at 2.10pm entitled: 'Detecting and preventing interconnection fraud in current and next-generation environments'. In this session, Martin will identify the different types of interconnect fraud and revenue leakage and suggest ways of measuring and preventing problems.

Chinh duc Pham, solutions marketing manager at Azure, will be hosting a post-conference briefing on Thursday December, 9 at 11.30am entitled: 'Analysing the role of convergent mediation within the next-generation services environment'. In this briefing, Chinh will evaluate the importance of implementing mediation solutions as well as examine the OSS and mediation requirements for the next-generation environment.

Azure will also be exhibiting between December, 6 and December, 9.

For further information regarding the event, please e-mail events@azuresolutions.com.

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About Azure (www.azuresolutions.com)

Azure is one of the world's leading revenue assurance companies. It is headquartered in London, with people in Ipswich UK, Colorado, Paris, Frankfurt, Madrid, Hong Kong, Jakarta, Singapore and Sydney. Azure's solutions include End-to-End Revenue Assurance, Interconnect Billing, Security and Fraud Management, Mediation Management, Event Integrity and Route Optimisation. Azure provides individual products or complete revenue assurance solutions using a common platform and any combination of products that a customer might need. Customers can choose a system that they own and operate themselves or a

bureau that Azure manages on their behalf. Amongst Azure's customers are PTTs, mobile operators, national operators, carrier's carrier and cable TV companies; Azure has significant carrier experience and understands the problems faced by all these operators. The company's heritage is based on the fundamental technology and skills developed whilst in BT in the early 1990s with many of the world-class technical experts remaining at Azure today.

Azure was spun out of BT in April 2003 and is backed by New Venture Partners (www.nvpllc.com).

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