IIJ Announced its engagement in Full MVNO (Aug. 30, 2016)

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Questions and Answers

Q: What is your expected market volume for IoT?

A: Seed Planning, Inc., a marketing and consulting firm, expects the demand for IoT will grow and predicts Mobile WAN subscription to be 91.62 million in FY2020. While numerical projection differs from firm to firm, the IoT market is expected to grow largely in the future.

Q: How much contribution do you expect to make from the implementation of full-MVNO?

A: As disclosed in our middle-term plan, we target MVNO subscription of 7 million and revenue of approx. JPY65 billion in FY2020. Implementation of full-MVNO is a prerequisite for achieving this plan. The expected IoT related subscription in FY2020 is approx. 3 million. The expected related revenue, which includes devises and other related elements, is several tens of billion yen. If the IoT market expands as predicted, we can expect further growth in our MVNO business

Q: What kind of investment do you need to implement full-MVNO?

A: As of Aug. 2016, we expect a total of approx. JPY4.5 billion of investment. This investment includes the construction of HLR/HSS system and the accumulation of monthly payment to NTT Docomo for its network remodeling (not IIJ CAPEX).

Q: How much of a cost increase should we expect from the implementation of full-MVNO?

A: We plan to use 7 years as the depreciation period for our systems. The payment related to remodeling NTT Docomo's network is under discussion. As the depreciation begins along with the service launch (latter half of FY2017), we do not expect large impact on our FY2016 Profit/Loss Statement.

Q: Will the implementation of full-MVNO negatively impact your MVNO business profitability?

A: Profitability could be negatively impacted until revenue accumulation absorbs the cost increase. We expect to improve MVNO business profitability with various traffic type including IoT as it should lead to better mobile network utilization thus contribute to improve profitability.

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