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Management Discussion and Analysis of operating results and financial position

Overview of the past results' operation

Interlink Telecom Public Company Limited ("the Company") operates in telecommunication business by providing telecommunication services through nationwide fiber optic network and providing installation of telecommunication infrastructure. On 8 May 2012, the Company obtained telecommunication license type 3 from National Broadcasting and Telecommunication Commission (NBTC) in which, allowed the Company to own the network and rendering service through the mentioned network. The period of license is 15 years. The Company has started to construct core fiber optic network since 2012 in which the fiber optic were installed along with telegraph poles that the Company has 30 years' right of way since 19 October 2012 from The State Railway of Thailand. The Company has also constructed the main trunk routes and sub-routes along with the road through the poles as to connect to customers. The Company has launched a service under the network called "Interlink Fiber Optic Network" in June 2013.

In 2014, the Company has entered into data center business by acquiring assets from Interlink Communication Public Company Limited ("ILINK") including building and equipment as to provide data center space services for companies and organizations according to their needs. The data center services have been operated in October 2014.

According to the policies of the government, Digital Economy and Thailand 4.0, they are to use information technology to apply to the economic and social activities, by focusing on the development of digital infrastructure and aiming to provide stability data connection in all areas with adequately supply for demand and could be access at a reasonable cost, as to lead to further development of the nation in both economic and social aspects in efficiency way. These policies are important to help promote the growth of information and communications technology industry (ICT) of Thailand and the Company as well.

For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, the Company has total revenue of Baht 462.40 million or increasing by Baht 129.95 million or 21.94% comparing to the same period of prior year. In addition, the Company has net income of Baht 57.80 million or increasing by Baht 10.80 million or 22.97% comparing to the same period of prior year as well.

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Analysis of Operating Results

1. Revenues

For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, the Company has total revenues of Baht 462.40 million in which they were increased from the prior year by Baht 129.95 million or 21.94% as presented table below.

Types of Service	30 June 2020		30 June	2019	Increase/(Decrease)		
	Million Baht	%	Million Baht	%	Million Baht	%	
Service income	439.57	95.06	587.24	99.14	(147.67)	(25.15)	
Gain on long-term							
borrowings modification	18.68	4.04	-	-	18.68	100.00	
Other income	4.15	0.90	5.11	0.86	(0.96)	(18.79)	
Total revenues	462.40	100.00	592.35	100.00	(129.95)	(21.94)	

1.1. Service incomes

	30 June 2020		30 June 2019		Increase/(Decrease)	
Type of Service	Million Baht	%	Million Baht	%	Million Baht	%
Service income from network rendering	273.29	62.17	214.25	36.49	59.04	27.56
2. Service income from network installation	148.36	33.75	349.25	59.47	(200.89)	(57.52)
3. Service income from data center space	17.92	4.08	23.74	4.04	(5.82)	(24.52)
Total service incomes	439.57	100.00	587.24	100.00	(147.67)	(25.15)

Service incomes are divided into 3 categories as follows.

1.1.1. Service income from network rendering

Service income from network rendering is categorized into various types such as Interlink MPLS IP-VPN, Interlink Wavelength, Interlink Dark Fiber, and Interlink IPLC which the Company has started the services since June 2013.

For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, the Company had service income from network rendering for Baht 273.29 million or represented 62.17% of total service incomes. The service income increased from 2019 by Baht 59.04 million or 27.56% because of the increasing of customers which is the normal growth in every quarter. In addition, the Company started to recognize service income of the project of providing high-speed internet service in remote area (USO Phase 2).

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1.1.2. Service income from network installation

Service income from network installation is related to the construction of telecommunication hi-speed network and is categorized into 2 types as follows.

- Service income from network installation in which recognizes revenue when the Company satisfies a performance obligation by transferring services to customers over time in accordance with term of each service contract with customers.
- 2) Service income from network connection in which recognizes revenue once the service has been completed.

For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, these services generated revenue for Baht 148.36 million or 33.75% of total service income. The service income decreased from prior year Baht 200.89 million or 57.52% due to COVID-19 situation, the company was unable to operate and deliver the work as plan scheduled. The major projects of this period are such as the project of providing high-speed internet service in remote area (USO Phase 2) which recognized revenue of Baht 79 million, and a contract for the installation of a fiber optic network of a telecommunication service provider Baht 49 million

1.1.3. Service income from data center space

For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, the Company had service income from data center space of Baht 17.92 million or 4.08% of total service income. It decreased because a customer postponed the extension of the service contract from the second quarter to the third quarter of 2020 and will compensate in the third quarter.

1.2. Gain on long-term borrowings modification

The Company signed memorandums of agreements with a local financial institution to extend the repayment period for one year on long-term borrowing agreements causing the discounted cash flow value of new borrowings has decreased. Therefore, the Company recognized modification gain of extending repayment amounting to Baht 18.68 million.

2. Costs and expenses

The major costs of the Company are such as costs of services, service expenses, administrative expenses, and finance cost. For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, the total costs and expenses was Baht 389.61 million as followings:

2.1. Costs of services and gross profit margin

Costs of services are main expenses of the Company. For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, cost of services was Baht 325.19 million. It was lower than the prior year by 30.91% which was aligned with the decreasing of service income from network installation. The table below illustrated the components of costs of services and their gross profit margin.

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	30 June	2020	30 June 2019		
Service Costs	Million Baht	GPM (%)	Million Baht	GPM (%)	
Cost of network rendering	188.53	31.01	157.39	26.54	
Cost of network installation service	123.27	16.92	297.45	14.83	
Cost of data center space service	13.39	25.25	15.85	33.24	
Total costs of services	325.19		470.69		

2.1.1. Cost of network rendering

For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, the Company had cost of network rendering of Baht 188.53 million in which resulting to gross profit margin of network rendering service was at 31.01% which decreased comparing to the prior year, mainly because of the increasing of cost of service for the project of providing mobile broadband and high-speed internet service in border area (USO Phase 1). The major expenses are such as depreciation expenses, repair and maintenance expenses, interconnection of network expenses, rental space to install the network expenses, and employee benefit expenses which represented 29.58%,12.72%, 12.72%, 10.60%, and 5.43% of total cost of network rendering for the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, respectively. The cost of service for USO is equal to 22.64% of total cost of network rendering.

2.1.2. Cost of network installation service

For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, the Company had cost of network installation service of Baht 123.27 million in which resulting to gross profit margin of installation service was at 16.92%. The gross profit margin of 2020 increased comparing to prior year because of the mix of projects. Major costs of network installation service are such as material cost and installation cost.

2.1.3. Cost of data center space service

For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, the Company had cost of data center space service of Baht 13.39 million in which resulting to gross profit margin of data center business was at 25.25% increased from prior year. Major costs of data center space service are such as depreciation expenses, utilities expenses, employee benefit expenses, and repair & maintenance expenses.

2.1.4. Gross profit and gross profit margin

For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, the Company had gross profit of Baht 114.38 million which the gross profit margin was at 26.30%. The gross profit margin was increased by comparing to the prior year which has the gross profit of June 2019 was Baht 116.56 million and the gross profit margin was at 19.85%. The increase derived from gross profit margin for each type of service as stated above.

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2.2. Finance costs

For the three-month period ended 30 June 2020, the Company had finance costs of Baht 76.37 million. The major of finance costs are interest expenses from loans that increasing in the line with loan principal amount. As of 30 June 2020, the Company had short-term loans from financial institutions amounted to Baht 2,252.99 million, long-term loans from financial institution amounted to Baht 1,779.46 million, and lease liabilities amounted to Baht 219.66 million (Q2'2019: short-term loans from financial institutions amounted to Baht 1,629.23 million, long-term loans from financial institution amounted to Baht 1,572.03 million, and finance lease liabilities amounted to Baht 60.37 million).

2.3. Net profit and net profit margin

The Company's net profit for the three-month period ended 30 June 2020 was Baht 57.80 million and the net profit margin was at 12.50% in which they were higher than that in the same period in 2019 which net profit was Baht 47.01 million and the net profit margin was at 7.96%. The increase mainly because of growth of service income as described above.

Financial Position (Equity Method)

1. Assets

As at 30 June 2020, the Company had total assets of Baht 6,877.46 million or 3.86% of increasing compared to Baht 6,621.87 million at the end of 2019. Major assets are such as trade and other receivables, work in process, accrued revenue from network installation service, fixed assets and telecommunication networks, and right-of-use assets which were presented as at 30 June 2020's figures by 10.91%, 3.22%, 16.00%, 55.38% and 3.67% of total assets, respectively. The significant accounts that were notable changed were such as

- 1) Trade and other receivables increased from billing the project of providing high-speed internet service in remote area (USO Phase 2).
- 2) Work in process, increasing according the receiving of USO phase 2 project stock which were in progress of installation;
- 3) Accrued revenue from network installation service, decreasing according to complete work but not yet billed. The Company recognized service income from network installation Baht 301.93 million, and billed to customers in the amount of Baht 572.39 million;
- 4) Fixed assets and telecommunication networks, increasing from expanding as to support sales and increase its coverage as well as its stability. However, there is reclassification of assets to comply with adoption of TFRS 16 to right-of-use assets by Baht 99.69 million; and
 - 5) Right-of-use assets which is impacts of adoption of TFRS 16.

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2. Liabilities

As at 30 June 2020, the Company had total liabilities of Baht 5,070.58 million or increased by 3.27% comparing to Baht 4,910.17 million of the end of 2019. Mainly, the increasing is from the adoption of TFRS 16 which caused leasing liabilities to increase by Baht 152.38 million, and the proceeds from short-term loans from financial institutions by Baht 200.01 million. However, the Company had extended the repayment period of long-term borrowing agreement for one year in 2nd quarter of 2020.

Major liabilities are such as short-term and long-term loans from financial institutions and trade and other payables that they are approximately 79.57% and 13.76% of total liabilities as at 30 June 2020, respectively.

3. Equity

As at 30 June 2020, the Company had equities of Baht 1,806.88 million or increased by 5.56% comparing to Baht 1,711.70 million at the end of 2019. The shareholders' equity increased by Baht 97.89 million as a result of the six-month period ended 30 June 2020. The Company has adopted the new Thai Financial Reporting Standards (TFRS) from 1 January 2020 under the modified retrospective approach and the comparative figures have not been restated. The opening balance of retained earnings was decreased by Baht 2.71 million.

4. Capital Structure

The Company had debt to equity ratio at 2.81 times as at 30 June 2020 that is increased from 2.87 times of 2019. The increase is due to the adoption of TFRS 16 which cause lease liabilities increasing by Baht 152.38 million. In addition, the Company had debt exclude project finance to equity ratio at 1.90 times as at 30 June 2020 comparing to 1.91 times as at the end of 2019.

In addition, the Company had to comply to 2 conditions of debt covenant as follows:

- 1) Loans from financial institution to equities and loans from related party must not be greater than 2.5 times; and
 - 2) DSCR must not be less than 1.2 times.

As at 30 June 2020, the Company had complied ratios at 2.35 times and 1.21 times, respectively. However, the financial institution will evaluate at the end of fiscal year.

Please be informed accordingly.

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