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NEXTDC to Join OpenAI for Australia as an Infrastructure Partner

NEXTDC Limited (ASX: NXT) ("NEXTDC" or "the Company") refers to its announcement of earlier today and confirms that it has agreed a Memorandum of Understanding ("MoU") with OpenAI, enabling Australia to become a regional infrastructure partner under the Open AI for Countries program.

National Infrastructure Partnership

Through the MoU, OpenAI and NEXTDC will collaborate on the planning, development and operation of a next-generation hyperscale AI campus and large-scale GPU supercluster at NEXTDC's S7 site in Eastern Creek, Sydney.

This campus will provide secure, sovereign infrastructure, supporting sensitive and mission-critical workloads across enterprise, financial services, Government, defence, education, healthcare, research and the broader technology ecosystem. OpenAI is already working with leading enterprises across Australia, including Commonwealth Bank, Canva, Atlassian, Virgin Australia, Coles, UNSW and LaTrobe University. It recognises Australia's strengths in data centre infrastructure, and status as a Five Eyes nation.

S7 Hyperscale Campus

The first phase will focus on NEXTDC's S7 hyperscale campus, making it one of the most advanced sovereign AI campuses in the Asia-Pacific region. It is engineered as a sovereign AI facility with security, resilience and operational standards aligned to Australia's SOCI framework.

The S7 site will incorporate next-generation engineering features including closed-loop high-density liquid cooling for ultra-high-density GPU clusters. These systems will not require ongoing potable drinking water for cooling operations. These engineering choices position S7 at the forefront of sustainable, sovereign digital infrastructure in the Asia-Pacific region and ensure the facility is ready for the next generation of liquid-cooled, high-density AI architectures.

Subject to securing necessary approvals, the first phase of the S7 project is expected to be delivered in the second half of calendar 2027.

Attached is a copy of OpenAI's media statement issued today.

Authorised for release by the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of NEXTDC Limited.

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About NEXTDC

NEXTDC is an ASX 100-listed technology company and Asia's most innovative Data Centre-as-a-Service provider. We are building the infrastructure platform for the digital economy, delivering the critical power, security and connectivity for global cloud computing providers, enterprise, and Government.

NEXTDC is recognised globally for the design, construction, and operation of Australia's only network of Uptime Institute certified Tier IV facilities, and the only data centre operator in the Southern Hemisphere to achieve Tier IV Gold certification for Operational Sustainability. NEXTDC has a strong focus on sustainability and operational excellence through renewable energy sources and delivering world-class operational efficiency. Our data centres have been engineered to deliver exceptional levels of efficiency and the industry's lowest Total Cost of Operation through NABERS 5-star energy efficiency.

NEXTDC's corporate operations have been certified carbon neutral under the Australian Government's *Climate Active* Carbon Neutral Standard.

Our Cloud Centre partner ecosystem is Australia's most dynamic digital marketplace, comprising carriers, cloud providers and IT service providers, enabling local and international customers to source and connect with cloud platforms, service providers and vendors to build complex hybrid cloud networks and scale their critical IT infrastructure services.

NEXTDC is *powering the intelligence economy*.

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OpenAI

Introducing OpenAI for Australia

Sydney, Australia - Friday, 5th December:

Building the next generation of sovereign AI infrastructure in Australia

OpenAI today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with NEXTDC to develop a sovereign AI infrastructure partnership under the OpenAI for Australia program.

Through the MoU, OpenAI and NEXTDC will collaborate on the planning, development and operation of a next-generation hyperscale AI campus and large-scale GPU supercluster at NEXTDC's S7 site in Eastern Creek, Sydney.

OpenAI intends to be an initial offtaker with the option to scale over time under the OpenAI for Countries program. This would provide Australia with the sovereign compute capacity needed to support sensitive and mission-critical workloads across government, enterprise, research and national infrastructure.

S7 is expected to deliver significant economic benefits, including multi-year construction activity supporting thousands of skilled and indirect jobs, long-term technical and operational roles in AI and digital infrastructure, expanded opportunities for Australian manufacturers, engineers and suppliers, accelerated AI adoption across industry and government, and strengthened STEM and AI-skills development pathways.

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