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US Proof of Concept completed ahead of schedule

Following on from the Letter of Intent announced in September between ICSGlobal Limited and MedAccess Plus Health Informatics Network (MAPHIN), ICSGlobal is pleased to announce that the Proof of Concept for electronic claims and remittance, which was planned to be completed by the end of December, has been completed ahead of schedule.

The Proof of Concept set out to configure the MAPHIN/THELMA Network to send and receive electronic claims and remittance transactions across 18 States of the US. However, the fact that US Certification under HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996) was also achieved during the Proof of Concept, as was previously announced, means that the MAPHIN/THELMA Network is now able to transact electronic claims and remittance in all States of the US, the world's largest healthcare market with over 30 billion electronic healthcare transactions per annum.

The combined technologies of THELMA's any-to-any electronic transaction technology and MAPHIN's Electronic Health Record (EHR) technology covers all functionality scenarios required to transform the US health system.

Discussions are now in progress to implement the MAPHIN/THELMA Network on several fronts: beginning in Kentucky, connecting health care providers to private health insurers; with the major contractors running the State-based government Medicaid systems; and the Top 50 employers, who are major payers in the US healthcare system.

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About ICSGlobal and THELMA

Founded in 1990 as an engineering and IT consultancy, ICS Group listed on the Australian Stock Exchange as ICSGlobal Limited in 1999 [ASX:ICS]. Since 2000, ICSGlobal's core business has been the unique "any-to-any" health industry clearing house technology **THELMA** (Transactional Health Exchange Linking Multiple Applications), which ICSGlobal built, owns and operates. THELMA creates interoperability between the broad range of new and legacy software systems that typically exist in health systems. This enables health industry business partners in any country to conduct financial, clinical and administrative transactions electronically over the Internet. In Australia, THELMA's customer base continues to grow steadily, now standing at over 60% of private health insurers, 35% of private hospitals, 22% of public hospitals on the east coast, plus is connected into the national Medicare system for member checks and electronic claims. THELMA went live in the UK in July 2005. For more information visit www.icsglobal.net and www.thelma.com.au.

About MAPHIN

MedAccess Plus Health Informatics Network (MAPHIN) is a Kentucky-based eHealth firm with swipe-card driven Electronic Health Record (EHR) technology that uses the Internet to integrate information generated by medical providers, insurers, hospitals and patients into a comprehensive EHR. MAPHIN's Chief Executive Officer, Dr Steven Spady, is a highly respected Family Physician in Kentucky with a Master of Medical Management from Carnegie Mellon University. Dr Spady is seen as a leader in the field of eHealth, communicating his vision for real-time, integrated healthcare information processes to government and private health organisations since 1998. MAPHIN's Chief Technology Officer, John Hardin, is seen as a leader in the Internet business field. Mr Hardin most recently served as Chief Architect of e-Business for General Motors, and is the current chair of the OASIS e-business Service Oriented Architecture Technical Committee. For more information visit www.maphin.net.