

Outsourcing

## **Vodafone becomes Telvent's customer number 180 in the area of housing and outsourcing**

Madrid, December 04, 2003 – Telvent, the information technology subsidiary of Abengoa, has signed a contract with Vodafone, one of the world's largest wireless telecom network providers, to house that company's telecommunications operations in two of Telvent's specialized office management complexes located in Madrid and Barcelona. This contract represents Telvent's 180<sup>th</sup> customer in the combined areas of housing and outsourcing.

Telvent already provides housing and outsourcing services to a majority of Vodafone's customers in the telecom operations sector. Telvent's data center in Madrid also houses the main telecommunications node in the Iberian Peninsula, which will help facilitate the interconnectivity between Vodafone and its current and future customers.

According to Manuel Sánchez, Telvent's CEO, "This agreement not only strengthens Telvent's connectivity offer to our customers who are already utilizing our housing services, it also demonstrates to the global business community, the consolidation advantages that can be created by combining housing and outsourcing services. Telvent's success in this area has already led to significant increased business activity with a number of prestigious international companies who have established a presence in the Spanish marketplace, including Vodafone."

Telvent provides housing and outsourcing services to more than 45 telecommunication companies and over 135 companies from diverse industry sectors, which represents a net annual income contribution in excess of 30 million Euros derived directly from these business activities.

### **About Vodafone**

Vodafone owns and operates one of the largest wireless telecommunication networks in the world, and provides a full range of wireless services, including voice and data communications. The company has equity interests in 28 countries and partner networks in an additional eight countries. In 2002, Vodafone provided services to more than 273 million customers throughout the world. Based on total market capitalization, Vodafone ranks as the number one company in Europe, and one of the ten largest companies worldwide.

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### **About Telvent**

Telvent, Abengoa's Information Technology subsidiary, specializes in IT solutions with high technological added value for specific industrial sectors such as Energy, Environment, Traffic, Transport, Telecom and Public Administration. Telvent is a leading supplier to these industries in Spain, North America, Latin America and Asia.

With over 40 years experience in industrial supervisory control and business process management systems, Telvent executes projects and provides technical services in the field of mission-critical, realtime control and information management. With the most comprehensive portfolio of outsourcing and consulting services, and employing a technology-neutral philosophy, Telvent manages IT and telecommunications infrastructure for an extensive international client base. ([www.telvent.com](http://www.telvent.com))

### **About Abengoa**

Abengoa, an industrial and technology company with worldwide operations, provides solutions for Sustainable Development, the Information and Knowledge Society and the Creation of Infrastructures. The company is capitalized at over 500 million Euros (31/12/2002) and is listed on the Madrid Stock Exchange. Abengoa operates in four primary areas: Bioenergy, where it is the second largest worldwide producer of bioethanol; Environmental Services, where it is a European leader in various industrial waste market segments; Information Technology, where it has achieved global recognition and has operations in Europe, North America and Asia; and Industrial Engineering and Construction, where it is a leader in Spain and Latin America. ([www.abengoa.com](http://www.abengoa.com))