

## Press Release

### **Telia Carrier Enhances Network in El Paso, Adds New MDC PoP to Support Business Growth in The Region**

*Located at the network crossing points between the United States and Mexico, the new PoP extends Telia Carrier's number one ranked global network AS1299 into the Northern Mexican market.*

**Stockholm & McAllen, Texas, February 3, 2021** – [Telia Carrier](#) today announced that it has extended its partnership with [MDC Data Centers](#) (Formerly McAllen Data Center) launching a new Point of Presence (PoP) at MDC's El Paso facility. The new PoP in [El Paso](#) provides scalable multi-terabit capacity and connectivity, enhancing the local availability of high-speed [IP Transit](#), [Cloud Connect](#), [Ethernet](#), and [IPX](#) services for operators, content providers, and enterprises alike.

El Paso, which is part of the El Paso-Juarez cross-border market, has fostered a thriving environment for businesses to operate and is home to over 70 Fortune 500 companies. Over the past few years, El Paso has become a major traffic hub for data-center operators connecting the U.S. into Northern Mexico. Telia Carrier's expanded presence in MDC addresses the growing demand with a new diverse option for high-capacity services, bolstering MDC Data Center as a leader in the market based on their evolving local connectivity ecosystem of content, cloud and end users.

*"I am glad to welcome Telia Carrier to our El Paso data center and to continue the tradition of growing shoulder to shoulder with our most trusted partners. I have enjoyed seeing Telia Carrier's impressive growth at our McAllen facility over the years and could not be happier to have them join our ecosystem in El Paso," said Juan Salazar, CEO of MDC. "I know that Telia Carrier's network brings with it a network consistency and performance that meet the demands of our growing, global, and dynamic clients on the U.S. / Mexico border."*

With data centers in McAllen, Laredo, Nogales, and El Paso; MDC focuses on interconnecting the world with Mexico by providing carrier-neutral colocation and international fiber crossings in strategic hubs along the U.S. border with Mexico. MDC's data center in McAllen boasts the largest concentration of Mexican operators in one place, and it is home to the [MEX-IX](#), now the largest and only peering exchange focused on servicing Mexico.

*"Our continued partnership with MDC and investment in the Southwest and Mexico market is a testament to our customer-driven approach, adding additional diversity and capacity as we expand our global IP backbone," said Art Kazmierczak, Director of Business and Network Development, Telia Carrier. "The demand for IP and other big bandwidth services in El Paso is*

*growing at an incredible rate as more businesses enter the market and leverage capability at the edge. We deliver a global alternative carrier solution and are continually expanding our network to ensure we have the capacity and reach to meet the dynamic demands of our customers for flexible traffic-intensive workflows at scale.”*

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### **About MDC Data Centers**

MDC, formerly MDC Data Centers, helps network operators, content providers, and enterprises interconnect with major Network Service Providers on the US border with Mexico. The company is considered one of the fastest-growing data centers in South Texas, presenting a unique offer of reliable colocation services with a fiber crossing infrastructure to bring networks across the border. Due to its geographic proximity to Mexico, MDC serves this emerging market allowing American and International carriers to connect to the largest concentration of Mexican networks in carrier-neutral facilities. For more information visit [mdccenters.com](http://mdccenters.com), and follow MDC Data Centers on [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#) at @MDCDatacenters.

### **About Telia Carrier**

Telia Carrier solves global connectivity challenges for multinational enterprises whose businesses rely on digital infrastructure. On top of the world's #1 ranked IP backbone and a unique ecosystem of cloud and network service providers, we provide an award-winning customer experience to customers in 120 countries worldwide. Our global Internet services connect more than 700 cloud, security and content providers with low latency. For further resilience, our private Cloud Connect service connects directly to Amazon Web Services, Microsoft Azure, Google Cloud, IBM Cloud and Oracle cloud across North America, Europe, and Asia. Discover more at [teliacarrier.com](http://teliacarrier.com), and follow us on [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#).