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## **Aqura Technologies awarded major BHP WA Iron Ore technology infrastructure upgrade contracts**

- **Technology and communications infrastructure upgrades for major BHP WAIO accommodation precincts surrounding the town of Newman in the Pilbara region**
- **Broad scope of engagement spanning design, procurement, installation and support**
- **Circa \$3.7M of work packages for delivery by November 2021**
- **Highlights Aqura's depth of specialist technical expertise and longstanding relationship with BHP WAIO**
- **Aqura secures further 12-month extension to BHP Master Services Agreement**

**Veris Ltd (ASX:VRS)** is pleased to announce that wholly-owned subsidiary **Aqura Technologies** has been awarded a number of work packages by BHP Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO).

The overall program of work is expected to total circa \$3.7 million, with the initial phase having already commenced in late Q4 FY21 with expected completion in November 2021.

The contract awards will see Aqura upgrading and extending the technology and communications infrastructure at a range of accommodation sites surrounding the township of Newman in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. The scope of work involves the design, procurement and construction of new point-to-point microwave, DOCSIS and fibre-optic infrastructure to enable upgrades of in-room Wi-Fi for a number of BHP WAIO accommodation sites.

These awards extend Aqura's history of supporting BHP WAIO in upgrading its regional technology infrastructure to offer leading edge connectivity between its operational and support sites.

In addition to the new engagement, BHP has further shown their commitment to local businesses with Aqura securing an extension of the BHP Master Services Agreement for a further 12-month period. This provides a robust base for the broader BHP business to continue engaging knowing safety, quality and commercial rigour have been reviewed and applied.

### **Aqura Technologies CEO, Travis Young, commented:**

"Aqura's market-leading service offering of strong commercials, technology capability and the quality and safety focus of Aqura's field delivery team have all contributed strongly to the award of these contracts.

"It is very pleasing to be able to leverage the market leading skills of our in-house team to weave together a rich tapestry of technologies that will ensure an enhanced user experience for BHP's employees.

"The upgrades will provide a solid foundation for current and future users to access reliable and high-quality communications whilst working for extended periods in very remote areas. These technologies are increasingly recognised by mine operators as critical to the health and wellbeing of the workforces that service these operations."

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### **About Aqura Technologies**

Aqura Technologies offers a broad suite of communications solutions which are enablers of high-performance teams, applications and systems in modern, digitally driven organisations.

Aqura is recognised as an innovator having delivered Private 4G LTE networks since 2016, delivering Australia's first underground 4G LTE network in 2017 and the Autonomous Remote Communications (ARC) platform winning WAITTA and Australian Computer Society awards for innovation. Aqura's Content Access Network platform

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Aqura has an extensive, Australian-based team of highly experienced in-house specialists that spans technology, engineering, project delivery and management and support.

Aqura's strong reputation for innovation and high levels of service delivery has seen the organisation provide products and services to a number of blue-chip multi-national and enterprise clients. Aqura is a wholly owned subsidiary of Veris Limited (**ASX:VRS**). [www.aqura.com.au](http://www.aqura.com.au).

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