



## New HD playout facility for ESS Singapore

TSL has signed an agreement with ESPN STAR Sports (ESS), Asia's No. 1 sports content provider, to design and install a new HD playout facility for up to six HD channels to be launched at the ESS Broadcast Centre in Singapore.

TSL has completed design, procurement and pre-build for the first two new HD channels with the first channel going live from June 2010. The system design will accommodate rapid expansion to six channels in a modular fashion as additional capacity is required. This flexibility has already been taken advantage of by ESS following the placement of an order for a third channel to go on air mid-July.

Sabil Salim, vice president-operations, ESPN STAR Sports, said: "TSL, as our technology partners, continues to play a very important role as we grow our operations. Our relationship with them began when they first transformed our previous, tape-based broadcast system to a state-of-the-art multi-language live sports broadcast server-based system with play-out capabilities for 26-channels at our 73,000 square-foot facility in Singapore and now, with the addition of a standalone HD playout facility, which is a natural extension of our capabilities and customer requirements, we are again pleased to be working with TSL, as a trusted performer and systems integration partner."

TSL project manager, Julian Sharp, said: "ESS is a world leader in provision of multiple live, multi-lingual sports channels and our ongoing work with them has been very satisfying in helping them to achieve their goals as one of the region's most sophisticated sports broadcasters. Being chosen to return repeatedly to work with ESS against strong competition is a testament to the results that TSL have been proven to deliver."