



### **IBC2009: Peel Media & TSL strengthen ties**

Peel Media Studios Limited (PMSL) has signed an additional agreement in the form of a letter of intent with TSL (broadcast facility systems integration leader) to now carry out the supply of equipment as well as the systems integration of MediaCityUK's studio technical block.

Owned and operated by Peel Media, the studio block is at the heart of the £500 million project and will include seven high definition television studios, two audio studios (one dedicated to the BBC Philharmonic), and a technical block featuring: fully equipped sound and vision control rooms; core post facilities; CTA (central technical area); dressing rooms; make-up rooms; workshops; set storage; and green rooms. The studios - and the facilities within the technical block - will be available for hire on a flexible, utility basis from January 2011 onwards.

TSL has been working with Peel Media for the past two years overseeing the installation and professional services for Phase 1 of MediaCityUK. The additional agreement includes the procurement of the broadcast equipment in its entirety. The technology that has and will be chosen by TSL is subject of detailed tendering processes to suppliers across the broadcast industry.

Bryan Gray, chairman of Peel Media, said: "Peel Media has built an excellent working relationship with TSL and therefore we are delighted to continue working with them and capitalise on their expertise and knowledge to ensure successful technical fit out of the MediaCityUK studio technical block."

TSL managing director, David Phillips, said: "TSL has been working with Peel on the MediaCityUK project since its very inception and has built up a strong relationship with our client. We are delighted to have received this additional business related to this major investment by Peel. Initial pre-building of the system is already underway at our premises in Maidenhead, UK and we shall be following the detailed timeline to ensure completion of the whole programme in 2010 as scheduled."

Peel Media recently announced a collaboration with Ascent Media Group to provide a range of services at MediaCityUK and last week launched a new website [www.mediacityuk.co.uk](http://www.mediacityuk.co.uk).