

## **DONG** energy

## **Company announcement**

## DONG Energy in search of new ways to promote fibre optic networks

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DONG Energy has begun a process to provide even more people with the opportunity to tap into the major potential of fibre optic communications. This is to be achieved by holding talks with selected Danish and foreign businesses providing telecommunications, mobile and internet services. The result may be that DONG Energy enters into a partnership, or DONG Energy may find a buyer for its fibre optic activities.

"Fibre optics are the communication technology of the future, so we want many more people to sign up for the ultra-high speed internet of tomorrow and get high-quality digital TV and phone calls at competitive prices," says René Vedø, Senior Vice President of DONG Energy and responsible for fibre optic networks.

Over the past three years, DONG Energy has established a communications platform that guarantees that many households and businesses in the Danish province of Zealand can get quick and cheap access to the many rewards of fibre optic networks, compared to traditional broadband packages.

"We are sticking to our plans as far as establishing the infrastructure is concerned, but it is taking longer than anticipated to develop the market and get the customers on board. Our aim is to get a lot more customers interested in fibre optics faster, so that is why we are open to getting involved in a partnership or to completely handing over the baton," says René Vedø.

The subject of this release does not alter the expected financial result for the 2009 financial year or the expected level of investment announced by DONG Energy on 6 March 2009.

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