## AFGHAN WIRELESS AND D.LIGHT FORM STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP Companies Join Forces To Provide Clean, Off-Grid Residential Lighting and Electric Power Systems To Afghans

**Kabul, Afghanistan? December 18, 2018? Afghan Wireless Communication Company** (AWCC) (<u>www.afghan-wireless.com</u>), the nation's first mobile communications company, and Afghanistan's leading provider of 4G LTE HD Voice, data, entertainment and mobile payment services to over 5,000,000 consumers and businesses, announced that the Company has launched a strategic partnership with **d.light** (<u>www.dlight.com</u>), a developer of off-grid solar powered home lighting and power systems that are used by over 85 million people in 65 countries.

Together in Afghanistan, in early 2019, AWCC and d.light will launch ?Cheraghe Khana?The Gift of Light,' a new service which will provide solar powered lighting solutions to Afghans who do not have access to grid based electrical power. Individuals purchasing the Cheraghe Khana lighting systems can pay for the product using AWCC's My Money mobile payments service?Afghanistan's largest mobile payments solution.

The AWCC, d.light and Cheraghe Khana initiative is the first phase of a long-term effort to provide Afghans with three services which are critical to Afghanistan's economic development, and most importantly, improving the standard of living for Afghans:

- Access to non-polluting residential lighting
- Access to clean and affordable electric power
- Access to safe and secure mobile payments solutions and financial services

?The Cheraghe Khana project that we will launch with d.light has the potential to make a tremendous contribution to Afghanistan's economic development, because it will provide Afghans with clean lighting, clean power and access to mobile, electronic based financial services,? said Mr. Amin Ramin, the Managing Director of Afghan Wireless. ?We look forward to working with d.light?and improving the lives of Afghans?for many years to come.?

## **About Afghan Wireless:**

The Afghan Wireless Communication Company (AWCC) (<u>www.afghan-wireless.com</u>]) is Afghanistan's first wireless communications company and the founder of Afghanistan's wireless communications market. AWCC provides 4G LTE, 3.75G+, 3G, 2.5G, Voice, Data, Internet and

Mobile Payment Services to more than five million Business and Consumer Clients, located in all of Afghanistan's thirty-four provinces. The Company has global partnerships with 425 wireless carrier networks in 125 countries. AWCC was founded in 2002 by Mr. Ehsan Bayat, Chairman of The Bayat Group (<a href="www.bayat-group.com">www.bayat-group.com</a>]). Mr. Bayat is the recipient of the 2018 award for **Best Media and Telecom CEO** from **International Finance Magazine**.

## About d.light:

Founded in 2007 as a for-profit social enterprise, d.light manufactures and distributes award-winning solar lighting and power products designed to serve the more than 2 billion people globally without access to reliable electricity. Through five distribution hubs in East Africa, West Africa, India, Southeast Asia, and the United States, d.light has impacted over 85 million lives with its products. d.light is dedicated to provide the most reliable, affordable, and accessible solar lighting and power systems for the developing world, with the goal of reaching 100 million people by 2020. For more information, visit www.dlight.com.