Tradegate reduces MaxeTrade network prices

Tradegate has reduced the cost of MaxeTrade secure network connections for the benefit of Tradegate members and the wider business community.

SYDNEY 27th September 2006 – Tradegate ECA, the e-commerce facilitator for the Australian trade and transport community, has announced price cuts for the MaxeTrade private communications network which provides the organisation's members with secure, direct connectivity with Australian Customs.

Due to take effect on October 1, the price cuts will apply to the fixed price network connections of all existing clients. Cost recovery pricing is currently under review and revised levels will be announced soon.

The cost of the EDI Message Direct service remains unchanged although Tradegate is trying to negotiate a lower price with service provider AAPT.

"The MaxeTrade price reductions will take effect automatically," says Tradegate general manager Brian Farquhar. "There is no need for clients to do anything to gain these benefits."

MaxeTrade @ a glance

MaxeTrade is Tradegate's secure ecommerce infrastructure which is designed to meet the changing needs of the trade and transport community – customs brokers, exporters, freight forwarders, shipping lines, trucking companies, airlines, depots, ports and rail operators.

MaxeTrade brings together network technologies and a range of value-added services under one umbrella. Tradegate's primary aim for MaxeTrade is to ensure it meets the needs of member businesses, now and into the future.

Benefits include high data security, operational robustness, choice of billing options and full compatibility with existing EDI and PKI platforms.

The new prices for ADSL connections are:

Speed	Limit	Internet Grade	Business Grade (metropolitan)	Business Grade (regional)	Excess
256/64	5 Gbyte	$90.00	$299.00	$399.00	$0.11
	Unlimited	$110.00	$350.00	$450.00	Nil
512/128	5 Gbyte	$130.00	$399.00	$499.00	$0.11
	Unlimited	$210.00	$450.00	$480.00	Nil
1.5/256	5 Gbyte	$180.00	$450.00	$580.00	$0.11
	Unlimited	$210.00	$630.00	$700.00	Nil
512/512	5 Gbyte	$160.00			$0.11
	Unlimited	$180.00			Nil

For SHDSL the new prices are:

Speed	Limit	Internet Grade (metropolitan)	Internet Grade (regional)	Business Grade (metropolitan)	Business Grade (regional)	Excess
512/512	10 Gbyte	$399.00	$420.00	$600.00	$650.00	$0.09
	Unlimited	$420.00	$430.00	$700.00	$800.00	Nil
1M/1M	10 Gbyte	$450.00	$500.00	$700.00	$800.00	$0.09
	Unlimited	$600.00	$700.00	$920.00	$1,000.00	Nil
2M/2M	10 Gbyte	$500.00	$700.00	$750.00	$1,120.00	$0.09
	Unlimited	$1,040.00	$1,120.00	$1,440.00	$1,600.00	Nil

Please contact MaxeTrade for prices on other types of connection and other services.

For an in-depth look at MaxeTrade, visit www.maxetrade.com.au

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About Tradegate

Tradegate ECA is a not-for-profit, non-government, user organisation. Its foremost role is to facilitate the use of electronic commerce for the exchange of information between customers and their suppliers. It does this by bringing together all of the different types of organisations involved so that a common agreed strategy can be developed and implemented using the relevant international standards. For more information on Tradegate, visit www.tradegate.org.au