

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC FORM 17-C

CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17  
OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE  
AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER

1. **Converge Information and Communications Technology Solutions, Inc.**

January 4, 2023

2. SEC Identification Number **CS200716094** 3. BIR Tax Identification No. **006-895-049-000**

4. **Converge Information and Communications Technology Solutions, Inc.**

Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter

5. **Metro Manila, Philippines**

Province, country or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation

6. (SEC Use Only)

Industry Classification Code:

7. **New Street Bldg., Mc Arthur Highway, Balibago, Angeles City, Pampanga**

Address of principal office

**2009**

Postal Code

8. **(02) 8-667-0888**

Issuer's telephone number, including area code

9. **Not applicable**

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the SRC or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA

Title of Each Class

Number of Shares of Common Stock  
Outstanding and Amount of Debt  
Outstanding

**Common Shares**

**7,266,573,061**

**Fixed Rate Bonds**

**10,000,000,000**

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein:

**Item No. 9**

**PH fiber internet provider Converge goes international, obtains license to provide connectivity services in Singapore**

Leading Philippine fiber internet provider Converge Information and Communications Technology Solutions, Inc. (PSE: CNVRG) has received the greenlight to provide international connectivity services in Singapore through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Converge ICT Singapore Pte. Ltd. (Converge SG), to further strengthen its fast-growing international wholesale business.

In its grant letter, the Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA), a statutory board under the Singapore Ministry of Communications and Information, said that the authority has approved the application of Converge SG for a Facilities-Based Operations (FBO) Licence.

Effective January 3, 2023, Converge SG can start deploying telecommunications infrastructure and provide connectivity services and fiber optic cable capacity to wholesale and enterprise customers in the Southeast Asian city state.

“The grant of an FBO license to our Singapore unit significantly bolsters the ability of the Converge Group to sell international wholesale connectivity and capacity services, as we can now directly service clients in Singapore to cater their growing needs for intra-Asia and Trans-Pacific connectivity requirements,” said Converge CEO and Converge SG Director Dennis Anthony H. Uy.

Through the said license, Converge will have the right to provide international connectivity services in Singapore including Ethernet-International Private Line (E-IPL) service, Dedicated Internet Access (DIA) service, Carrier Ethernet Network service, Internet Protocol Virtual Private Network (IP-VPN) services using Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS), and sale and resale of submarine cable capacities.

In 2021, Converge announced the incorporation of Converge SG, which was aimed at marketing and selling its international cable capacity to carriers, ISPs, and telcos operating and having a presence in Singapore.

Converge highlighted that the establishment of its subsidiary in Singapore indicates its position that Wholesale will continuously be an important driver for its Enterprise business. During its third-quarter performance report last year, the Wholesale segment of Converge grew 52 percent, as it increasingly monetizes capacity on its domestic and international fiber network.

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## **PRESS RELEASE**



The Converge international network is one of the biggest in the country and continues to expand with its participation in the Bifrost Cable System and the South-East Asia Hainan-Hongkong Express Cable System (SEA-H2X). Both of these are expected to be operational by next year. Converge also boosted its international network capacity by an additional 3.2 Tbps in the EAC-C2C cable systems, making its international connectivity configuration fully redundant. The Converge Group has points-of-presence in Singapore, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, and the USA.

“Our international backbone is now one of the biggest in the country, running at half utilization. We designed it that way so in case of fiber outage or submarine earthquakes, customer experience will not be affected. Our diverse, fully redundant international network and the establishment of the Singapore office will help us make the Philippines a digital transit hub in Asia,” shared Converge Chief Operations Officer, Jesus C. Romero.

Wholesale bandwidth is typically bought by telecommunication companies and ISPs to provide the bandwidth capacity needed for their own connectivity solutions and customer applications including email, file sharing, web hosting, data backup, video, VOIP, or VPN access.

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### **ABOUT CONVERGE ICT SOLUTIONS, INC.**

Converge Information and Communications Technology Solutions, Inc. (PSE:CNVRG) is the fastest-growing fixed broadband service provider in the Philippines. It is the first to run an end-to-end pure fiber internet network in the country, providing Filipinos simple, fast, and reliable connectivity. Aside from broadband services, Converge also offers integrated data center and network solutions services.

With over 600,000 kilometers of fiber optic assets nationwide, it has one of the most extensive fiber networks in the Philippines.

With this fiber-powered network, Converge provides premium world-class digital experience for residential, enterprise, and wholesale customers. Converge is ISO 9001 and CE2.0 Certified.

Go to <https://www.convergeict.com> for more information.

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