Press Release

DE-CIX and MASS-IX Enable "One-Hop" Interconnect Access From New England to New York

MASS-IX, New England's largest Internet Exchange, becomes a turnkey connectivity partner, directly interconnecting to DE-CIX New York and boosting connectivity in the Northeast

New York, 23 July 2026. DE-CIX, the leading Internet Exchange (IX) operator in the world, is proud to announce that MASS-IX, the largest IX serving New England, has become an IX Turnkey Connectivity Partner, directly interconnecting MASS-IX and DE-CIX New York. This strategic partnership empowers MASS-IX customers to seamlessly connect and peer with networks in New York, without needing to pay for transport to the city or remote cross connect charges. The partnership is set to improve connectivity in the Northeast, providing significant improvements in latency, with one-hop connectivity to New York networks, as well as access to DE-CIX's other US and international exchanges. The first network, TOWARDEX, is already connected and exchanging traffic with networks in New York over the new partnership.

The data center and carrier neutral MASS-IX is the largest and fastest-growing IX in the Boston metro area, connecting 70+ networks with close to 3 terabits of connected capacity. Available in over 12 data centers throughout the Boston market, the IX has a strong selection of educational networks and local ISPs and handles peak data traffic of over 300 Gigabits per second. Connectivity to DE-CIX New York, the largest IX in the Northeast, allows MASS-IX to offer its customers access to the wide range of content and other networks available in New York but not locally in New England. Using the DE-CIX backbone, New England networks interested in more global connectivity can effectively join the DE-CIX ecosystem via MASS-IX to not only access other large exchanges in the US but also DE-CIX's international IXs, including those in Mexico, Brazil, Europe, and throughout world.

"DE-CIX is proud to be partnering MASS-IX – bringing together two neutral and high-performance Internet Exchanges for the betterment of both parties," commented Ed d'Agostino, Vice President, DE-CIX North America. "New York represents the lowest latency location for New England networks to reach non-local networks, and this interconnection makes this possible and easy to implement. The community in Massachusetts and all of New England

will be able to improve performance and latency to content by peering with networks connected to DE-CIX New York. This is an excellent example of how DE-CIX works with neutral IXs to improve the Internet in the US and help others better serve their markets."

"MASS-IX was founded on a mission to improve performance and reduce the cost of network interconnections throughout Massachusetts. By partnering with DE-CIX, we are providing a new additional turnkey avenue for peering and internet interconnections for ISPs and internet networks throughout New England. We're excited to partner with DE-CIX to bring leading, world-class peering capabilities and interconnection ecosystems to Massachusetts," stated James Jun, Director at MASS-IX.

As the first network to connect via the Turnkey Connectivity solution, TOWARDEX is an independently-owned and innovative infrastructure company based in Boston, Massachusetts. With its Hub Express System (HEX) – the first truly open-access underground utility for Boston's data center networks – the company is reimagining how utilities can work with data centers to create a digital platform for tomorrow's internet infrastructure. By taking the concept of "carrier neutrality" out to the streets, HEX decouples the real estate from essential ingredients required for building a connectivity ecosystem. The partnership between MASS-IX and DE-CIX makes it possible for anyone participating in HEX to connect directly to DE-CIX New York and the larger DE-CIX ecosystem.

DE-CIX New York, which handled more than 5 exabytes of total data throughput in 2025, is the largest exchange in the Northeast and is ranked #3 in North America. The platform covers an area spanning Long Island to the East and Piscataway and Edison to the South and West. It connects over 260 networks from across the city, with an infrastructure that spans 40+ data centers. DE-CIX New York is connected to all other DE-CIX locations in North America, enabling remote peering and access to a vibrant ecosystem of networks not present in other local exchanges. The DE-CIX Internet and Cloud Exchanges in New York, Dallas, Chicago, Richmond, Houston, and Phoenix, the dedicated Cloud Exchange in Seattle, and the distributed IX DE-CIX Mexico together form the largest carrier and data center neutral interconnection ecosystem in North America. Further, DE-CIX New York is directly connected to DE-CIX's locations in South America (e.g. DE-CIX Sao Paulo) and Europe – (e.g. DE-CIX Frankfurt, the largest IX in Europe) – and beyond.

More information on the IX Turnkey Connectivity program: https://www.de-cix.net/en/partners/ix-turnkey-connectivity

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DE-CIX North America Inc., pronounced DEE-KICKS [dˈiː-kˈɪks], which began operations in 2014, is a wholly owned subsidiary of DE-CIX International AG, the international arm of DE-CIX, the world's leading Internet Exchange operator. DE-CIX provides network and data center neutral peering and other interconnection services in North America. The DE-CIX Internet Exchanges in Chicago, Dallas, Houston, New York, Phoenix, and Richmond, the dedicated Cloud Exchange in Seattle, and the distributed IX DE-CIX Mexico form the largest neutral interconnection ecosystem in North America. DE-CIX's IXs are distributed across major carrier hotels and data centers throughout each metro region it serves. DE-CIX operates more access points than any other Internet Exchange operator in North America. For more information, please visit https://de-cix.net/north-america

About the Massachusetts Internet Exchange (MASS-IX)

MASS-IX is the largest carrier and data center-neutral Internet Exchange in New England. Launched in 2015 by TOWARDEX, the exchange is present and available in over 12 interconnection facilities, making it the largest platform for enabling settlement- free exchange of Internet traffic across Massachusetts. MASS-IX participants include Internet Service Providers (ISP), content providers, higher education and research networks (RENs), and carriers. For more information about MASS-IX, please visit https://mass-ix.net.

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