

Nokia to help with T-Mobile superfast telecom network

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Nokia—its Finland HQ pictured here—is to help T-Mobile deploy a superfast "5G" mobile internet network across the United States

Nokia will help T-Mobile deploy a superfast "5G" mobile internet network across the United States in a \$3.5-billion deal, the companies

announced Monday.

Finland-based Nokia will provide T-Mobile its suite of 5G technology, and help build the telecommunications firm's new-generation nationwide wireless network, the companies said.

"We are all in on 5G," T-Mobile chief technology officer Neville Ray said in a release.

"And together with Sprint, we'll be able to do so much more."

US wireless operators Sprint and T-Mobile announced earlier this year that they are merging to form a new company and push development of a super-fast 5G network.

The merger must still be approved by regulators.

5G or fifth-generation wireless communications networks promise to move data so quickly that they would enable services such as remote surgery or [driverless cars](#) and allow customers to experience video and virtual reality with greater ease.

"Nokia and T-Mobile will advance the large-scale deployment of 5G services throughout the United States," Nokia chief customer operations officer Ashish Chowdhary said in the release.

T-Mobile is one of the biggest earners for its parent Deutsche Telekom of Germany.

T-Mobile and Sprint—a subsidiary of Japan's SoftBank—are at present the third and fourth largest US wireless operators, respectively.

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