

Wana to build first VectaStar Next Generation backhaul network

North African operator extends point-to-multipoint network to backhaul new mobile broadband service

Cambridge, UK, 16th February 2009: Cambridge Broadband Networks announced today that its newly launched VectaStar Next Generation backhaul solution has been selected by Wana in Morocco to increase the performance of its backhaul network and support the introduction of mobile broadband services. VectaStar Next Generation is the highest performance point-to-multipoint (PMP) microwave backhaul solution available and provides operators with investment protection by enabling them to build the most cost-effective backhaul networks today with the capacity for their next generation networks tomorrow.

Wana is one of Cambridge Broadband Networks' longest standing customers. It built its first VectaStar network in 2006 which was subsequently extended in 2008 using 10.5GHz equipment. The new VectaStar equipment purchased operates at 26GHz exceeding the performance and flexibility levels Wana needs to build a cost-effective mobile broadband backhaul network for the future.

Karim ZAZ, CEO Wana explains: "VectaStar has served Wana well as a backhaul and access product. The improved performance of VectaStar Next Generation, along with its unique simultaneous IP and TDM support, makes it the ideal technology to backhaul our mixed service mobile broadband network. Its architecture also shortens network deployment time, helping us speed network upgrades to our customers. We see it as an essential element to ensure the continued profitability of Wana."

Next generation mobile broadband networks (NGNs) will bring about a paradigm shift in mobile broadband network performance. NGNs pose a particular problem for backhaul networks by increasing the level of complexity against a backdrop of requirements for higher throughput, improved quality of service, lower latency and lower expenditure. VectaStar Next Generation

meets this challenge by combining a unique combination of the highest throughput PMP architecture, advanced hitless adaptive coding modulation (ACM) capability and intelligent data optimisation to make it the most cost-effective way to build a mobile broadband backhaul network.

Olof Lindberg, VP Sales, Cambridge Broadband Networks, commented, "It's great to see one of our oldest and most established customers have chosen to install our new VectaStar Next Generation product. Wana is a very forward-looking organisation so it is no wonder that they have selected a platform that will meet their requirements today and for the next generation networks they will build in the future."

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1. A photograph of Cambridge Broadband Networks' VectaStar Next Generation product is available upon request.
2. Cambridge Broadband Networks will be showcasing VectaStar Next Generation in Hospitality Suite 4.3HS30 at the Mobile World Congress in Barcelona, from 16 – 19 February 2009.
3. Wana recently won the Informa Africacom 2008 Best Enterprise Innovation Award for its WanaOne corporate access service based on VectaStar. Read more about the award here: http://www.wanacorp.ma/EN/communique_details.php?co=44

About Cambridge Broadband Networks

Cambridge Broadband Networks (www.cbnl.com), a member of the Next Generation Mobile Network (NGMN), provides telecommunications operators with carrier-class wireless point-to-multipoint transmission equipment. The company's unique approach to backhaul means that its technology provides operators with a highly compelling business case, reducing backhaul costs by up to 60%. To date, Cambridge Broadband Networks products have been commercially deployed and technically proven in more than 30 countries, and the company continues to expand into new geographical markets as wireless networks become more widespread throughout the world. Privately-held, Cambridge Broadband Networks has headquarters in Cambridge, UK, with offices in Malaysia and South Africa and manufacturing facilities in China.

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