



Polaris Networks and Athena Wireless Announce Successful Completion of IOT between their LTE EPC and Small Cell Solution

Lexington, Massachusetts, September 16 , 2013 - Polaris Networks, a leading provider of LTE EPC software solutions to Public Safety, Rural Operators and Defense Projects and Athena Wireless Communications, a leader in providing SoC based LTE Small Cells, today announced the successful completion of inter-operability tests between the Polaris LTE Packet Core, NetEPC™ and Athena's customizable LTE Small Cell, Pixie™. This will enable the companies to deliver an end-to-end LTE Network solution.

The Polaris NetEPC™ is a compact EPC-in-a-box solution (EPC Lite) which combines all the key elements of the EPC packet core – the MME, the SGW and the PGW along with the HSS, PCRF, OCS and OFCS into a single platform. The Athena Wireless Pixie™ is a customizable LTE Small Cell with integrated backhaul. The successful completion of the IOT between the two products now enables both the companies to take a complete LTE Solution, comprising of the RAN and the EPC, to their customers. This is especially relevant in a system-on-wheels deployment scenario in the Public Safety domain where the vendors would be required to deliver an end-to-end LTE Network which could be driven to emergency locations when required

Polaris and Athena will be demonstrating this joint solution live at Booth# 421 at the CCA Convention in Las Vegas from September 16th -18th, 2013.

“We are pleased to announce our collaboration with Athena Wireless. The success of this interoperability trial will enable us to provide a complete LTE Network solution”, said Aditya Saraf, VP, Sales and Marketing, Polaris Networks. “We have been looking at offering a complete RAN+EPC solution to meet our small operators and first responders’ network requirements and this partnership will help us to serve these markets.”

“Athena Wireless is pleased to support Polaris' complete LTE Network solution,”said Juan Santiago, VP of Business Development of Athena Wireless. “This IOT demonstrates how our Pixie™ customizable small cells enable our partners to bring to market differentiated small cell solutions quickly and cost effectively.”

About Polaris Networks

Polaris Networks is a leading provider of Carrier-grade software solutions and Test tools for LTE. These solutions are used world-wide by equipment manufacturers and operators. The Functional Testers and Emulator tools are used by TEMS and operators for testing eNodeB, MME, S-GW, PDN-GW and other LTE nodes for protocol/feature conformance, scalability, and load/stress.

For more information, visit <http://www.polarisnetworks.net>

About Athena Wireless

Athena Wireless Communications uses advanced technologies to provide high-speed digital data communication

solutions. The company designs and manufactures SiGe-based millimeter-band wireless Gigabit Ethernet bridges and SoC-based LTE Small Cells for wireless telecommunication operators, governments and private enterprises around the globe. Founded in 2009, Athena Wireless Communications is privately held and is located in Surprise, Arizona.

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