

STAYONLINE SELECTS ENTERASYS NETWORKS' ROAMABOUT AS WIRELESS NETWORKING STANDARD

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StayOnline Provides Hotel Guests with High-Speed Internet Access via Enterasys' RoamAbout Wireless Technology

March 5, 2002 – Enterasys Networks Inc. (NYSE: ETS), a leader in enterprise networking solutions, today announced that StayOnline has selected Enterasys' RoamAbout technology as the wireless networking standard for its high-speed Internet and in-room computer solution for the lodging industry. Using RoamAbout wireless access, StayOnline provides hotels with an innovative amenity – high performance Internet Access coupled with Thin Client in-room devices, eliminating the need for guests to carry their own laptops in order to access the Internet while travelling. By incorporating RoamAbout wireless connectivity, StayOnline provides the flexibility and simplicity needed to accommodate their clients' diverse architectural and structural differences, while simultaneously providing high-speed, secure Internet access.

“Creating a solution that is both simple and effective is our primary goal,” said Antonio DiMilia, President of StayOnline. “RoamAbout delivers the flexibility and ease of wireless connectivity coupled with the security and performance of standards-based networking in a cost-effective solution. By integrating RoamAbout within our offerings for the lodging industry, the StayOnline system will make using a computer while travelling as easy as using the telephone.”

As the brand standard for Hawthorn Hotels, StayOnline is currently performing installations within 150 hotels, encompassing more than 20,000 hotel rooms. As of today, the StayOnline system has been implemented in more than 700 guest rooms.

RoamAbout provides StayOnline with a wireless high-speed computer system that combines wireless Internet access with in-room computers. Each hotel receives a T1 connection, central server, routers, RoamAbout wireless Access Points and Radio Cards, and Thin Client devices. Each in-room computer is outfitted with localised Internet content customized to the particular hotel and geographic area. A hotel-specific web page, entirely free to guests, enables them to check hotel services, view designated sites, including USA Today and MSN, and view local weather and transportation information.

Full Internet access is available on the in-room Thin Client for .95 daily, and for laptop users who wish

to roam throughout the hotel's conference rooms and meeting areas while remaining connected.

"The network is used primarily for Internet access through a visitor-based access system; someone who uses our system today may or may not be the person who logs in tomorrow," continued DiMilia.

"Therefore, by design, the network must incorporate all available security measures in order to justify the trust placed in the system by the user, whether they are a travelling businessperson or a casual shopper on eBay."

Enterasys' RoamAbout wireless technology offers the highest level of wireless security, with both 40-bit Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP) security and optional 128-bit RC4 Algorithm, in addition to advanced security features. Based on the IEEE 802.11b standard, RoamAbout ensures multivendor interoperability and provides high-performance 11Megabits-per-second (Mbps) wireless connectivity. Access Points are plug-and-play, enabling StayOnline to establish mobile connectivity simply and easily without the cost, concerns or interruptions associated with more invasive cabling installations.

"A complete, end-to-end solution, StayOnline's system enables their clients in the lodging industry with a cutting-edge competitive differentiator—simple, secure high-speed Internet access. By combining wireless networking connectivity with in-room computer devices, hotels can service guests with or without laptops," said Al Harper, regional vice president, Enterasys Networks. "RoamAbout's standards-based features, security, and plug-and-play capabilities provide a scalable and cost-effective networking solution for the StayOnline system."

About Enterasys Networks

Enterasys Networks (NYSE: ETS) is a leading worldwide provider of communications infrastructures for enterprise-class customers. Enterasys' networking hardware and software offerings deliver the innovative security, availability and mobility solutions required by Global 2000 organizations coupled with the industry's strongest service and support.

For more information, visit <http://www.enterasys.com>

About StayOnline

Based in Atlanta, StayOnline provides state-of-the-art turn-key wireless high-speed Internet access/in-room PC solutions for the lodging industry. StayOnline is the exclusive "Brand Standard" high-speed access provider for all Hawthorn Suites hotels in North America as well as the exclusive Preferred Alliance wireless high-speed Internet partner for the ASTON, Best Inns, Howard Johnson, Knights Inn, Park Plaza, Park Inn, Ramada, Villager Lodge and La Quinta® Inns brands throughout Canada. In addition, StayOnline boasts an impressive customer base, including properties in the Sheraton, Homewood Suites, Embassy Suites, Hilton, and Crowne Plaza lodging brands. StayOnline's new StaySecure Web-enabled video surveillance solution allows properties to piggyback on the company's wireless network for cost-effective real-time and archived security videos. For additional information on StayOnline and its lodging solutions, please visit <http://stayonline.net> . For a real-time demonstration of StayOnline's StaySecure streaming digital video security solution, click on the StaySecure logo (the site's archives can be accessed simply by changing the date and time of the requested video.)

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