



Access Telcom Reports Rapid Increase in the Adoption of Hosted VoIP Among Small to Mid-sized Companies

*Advancements in Technology & Cost
Reduction Is Driving Demand for
Popular Business Communications
System*

SPOKANE, WA — April 29, 2010 — Access Telcom, an industry leader in unified communications, announced today that hosted Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) is experiencing tremendous adoption by small to mid-sized businesses. A number of distinct benefits such as superior quality of service, reduction of cost, flexibility, built in business continuity and advanced applications are driving the demand for hosted VoIP technology.

Unlike a traditional phone system, hosted VoIP requires no on-site PBX hardware. Instead the technology uses VoIP service to place and receive calls using the Internet. This service is frequently hosted remotely by a 3rd party VoIP provider. As a result, an end user's communication via VoIP service is handled by redundant enterprise servers offsite. In addition to the profound upfront cost savings this presents, hosted VoIP technology enables one's phone system to be completely scalable and flexible. An organization can add or remove phones on a hosted system any time.

Hosted VoIP serves the needs of entrepreneurs and enterprises alike, by delivering powerful features such as improved call quality, valuable disaster recovery tools, and applications designed specifically for telecommuters and remote workers. Included in the system are advanced features such as unified messaging, automatic call distribution, auto attendant, call recording, call flow reporting as well as traditional PBX features.

The U.S. business hosted IP voice services market is expected to grow from 828,350 seats in 2008 to 4,910,499 seats in 2013, a CAGR of 42.8%, according to Interactive Data Corporation (IDC), a market research firm specifically focused on the IT segment. "The SMB marketplace has started to really embrace hosted VoIP because it dramatically increases their profitability and gives them a competitive advantage," said Kent Biel, President of Access Telcom. "For many customers off premise communications technology is preferable. In a hosted environment, companies can take advantage of flexible technology knowing that if a disaster occurs, whether a power outage or natural, the system will remain up without interruption."

"After we understand our customers' strategic business

objectives we recommend the right technology to support all of their needs and in many cases that means a hosted solution," added Mr. Biel. "Hosted VoIP is quickly becoming more than an acronym, it's raising the bar for Unified Communications providers, while giving businesses the edge they need to compete in today's marketplace."

ABOUT ACCESS TELCOM

Access Telcom offers what today's business customer demands: exceptional customer service, quality products and a variety of telecommunication solutions. Creating a communications strategy is vital to doing business in an increasingly competitive world. Access Telcom helps customers create a plan that will accommodate their businesses into the next century. Their team of Factory Certified technicians are dedicated to providing unsurpassed customer service and technical support. The company is committed to supporting its customers' every need, leading the way through the challenges of the ever-changing world of technology. For more information on Access Telcom, call (888) 621-9555 or visit www.access-tel.com.