



CORNASTONE TO REDUCE COSTS AND ACHIEVE PLATFORM INDEPENDENCE WITH ADAX

NEW SOLUTION TO BE INSTALLED AT LEADING GSM OPERATOR

18 March 2009, Reading, UK – Cornastone has announced that, following successful trials, it is installing Adax SS7/SIGTRAN Gateways in order to cope with increasing SS7 link loads. By moving the application towards a SIGTRAN environment, Cornastone can take advantage of increased flexibility which will allow it to reduce costs and provide solutions which closely match different customers' requirements.

The AdaxGW will automatically upgrade Cornastone's legacy platform at a leading GSM operator. With up to eight 2Mbit High-Speed SS7 links per system, the AdaxGW will allow Cornastone to enable the operator to process more than 15M transactions per day on each platform, reducing the SS7 link load to less than 20%, thereby increasing the reliability and speed of each transaction.

Arno Rooseboom, sales manager at Cornastone, explains: "Adax has an excellent reputation in the marketplace and worked closely with us to implement a free trial of its equipment. In the short term we are benefiting by being able to address our SS7 link capacity problems, and in the long term the AdaxGW will provide us with an application that can run on any hardware platform".

Robin Kent, director of operations at Adax Europe, continued: "Cornastone is a company we have known for a while through our work together at a leading South African mobile operator and we were delighted to be able to provide it with a trial of the AdaxGW. The AdaxGW provides both legacy SS7 and SIGTRAN support for use with convergence, wireless and intelligent networks which means it can provide customers with the ability to provide a flexible and seamless offering to mobile operators."

The Adax signaling gateways enable the simple and straightforward migration of existing SS7 Nodes to IP transport, saving the costs associated with leasing or provisioning dedicated long haul SS7 circuits. In addition, the migration to IP signaling enables the network to deal with the increasing demands for bandwidth from new applications such as video gaming and traffic generated by SMS and multi-media messaging.

About Adax Europe Limited

Adax Europe Limited specialises in signaling infrastructure for today's converging networks, covering all protocols and popular hardware formats to provide the right solution for any signaling requirement. Adax high performance products are available for PSTN, GPRS, 3G and IMS networks.

Adax signaling solutions deliver the high performance, total scalability, fast time to market and rapid return on investment that are essential for telecom companies to stay ahead in a competitive and ever changing industry. Solutions include signaling communications controllers for SS7, ATM and IP; integrated signaling protocol stacks and blades for SS7 and SIGTRAN; and multi-purpose signaling gateways for SS7 and IP interworking.

Adax customers include some of the world's premier telecom suppliers such as Alcatel-Lucent, Ericsson, Nokia Siemens Networks and Tekelec; and value added service (VAS) providers and system integrators such as NetHawk, Bharti Telesoft, and ip. Access.

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About Cornastone

Cornastone Infrastructure Services (CIS) is a South African company that focuses exclusively on unique solutions for the telecommunications market. The benefits that CIS brings to our customers and potential customers are our understanding of the business requirements of this market and the successful translation of these requirements into solutions. The CIS team, who has some of the highest level of telecommunications, integration and delivery skills in the ICT market, was assembled to ensure a successful transfer of skills that will empower a wider group of ICT professionals to handle large and complex projects. CIS is ideally positioned to provide our customers with best of breed products and unparalleled and responsive delivery capabilities.

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