



Allegiance Telecom Uses ADTRAN's Total Access 3000 for HDSL2 Deployments; Total Access Lowers Costs for Multiple CLEC Services

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HUNTSVILLE, Ala.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 14, 2000--ADTRAN, Inc. (NASDAQ:ADTN), the market share leader in DSL, announced today that Allegiance Telecom (NASDAQ:ALGX) is deploying ADTRAN's Total Access(TM) 3000 Carrier Class, broadband multiservice access platform in selected U.S. metropolitan areas. Total Access 3000 allows Allegiance to quickly establish cost-effective, high-speed connections using unbundled copper pairs leased from ILECs.

"Total Access 3000's HDSL2 interface enables Allegiance to cost-effectively deploy high-capacity services to our business customers," said John Pena, Vice President of Engineering for Allegiance Telecom. "ADTRAN has proven itself as an innovator and a reliable source for high-speed, cost-saving network access products that meet our customers' future and present needs."

Allegiance selected Total Access 3000 for its modular, grow-as-you-go design, its flexible management options, and its ability to connect with up to 224 subscriber interfaces from a six-inch-high chassis.

"ADTRAN is committed to helping Allegiance take advantage of the industry's latest technologies. ADTRAN has dedicated significant resources to work with the ANSI T1E1.4 committee and other vendors to assist in defining an HDSL2 standard that will allow service providers like Allegiance to deploy interoperable equipment," said Tom Stanton, Vice President and General Manager of the ADTRAN Carrier Networks Division.

Total Access 3000 combines advanced technology with the safety and reliability associated with Carrier Class products. Features include multiple network connections including DS3, SONET, and packet; the industry's highest density; service-level protection; and flexible management options. ADTRAN Total Access platforms range from narrowband to broadband access, and comply with NEBS Level 3, UL 1950, and ANSI standards.

About Allegiance Telecom

Allegiance Telecom, Inc. is a facilities-based competitive local exchange carrier that offers businesses a complete package of telecommunications services, including local, long distance, international calling, high-speed data transmission and Internet services. The company is targeting 36 metropolitan areas in the U.S. with its "one-stop-shopping" approach. It is currently operational in 20 markets. Allegiance Telecom's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol, ALGX. Visit the company on the world wide web at www.allegiancetele.com.

About ADTRAN

Established in 1985, ADTRAN, Inc. is a leading provider of network deployment and access solutions for delivering today's digital telecommunications services over existing copper infrastructures.

Today, ADTRAN technologies support more than two million local loops worldwide. More than 500 ADTRAN products support all major digital technologies, including T3, T1, E1, Frame Relay, DDS, HDSL, HDSL2, SDSL, xDSL, ISDN, and wireless transport. In the carrier network and enterprise markets, ADTRAN produces a

complete end-to-end solution that provides the greatest network efficiency and lowest possible telecommunications costs.

According to Dataquest and IDC, ADTRAN holds revenue-leading positions in the Frame Relay/DDS, ISDN Extension and HDSL/T1/E1 network and access markets. ADTRAN customers include the Regional Bell Operating Companies, interexchange carriers, GTE, domestic independent service providers, corporate end users, international customers and original equipment manufacturers.

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