Cox Private Networks Launches Neutral Host Solutions to Strengthen Connected Environments

The new offering leverages private cellular networks to improve public cellular phone coverage indoors.

LAS VEGAS, Sept. 25, 2023 – Cox Private Networks today announced an expansion of its solution portfolio with the launch of Neutral Host as a Service (NHaaS) in partnership with InfiniG. This solution provides reliable cellular from multiple mobile network operators (MNOs) in environments with poor indoor cellular coverage.

Why It Matters

Cox is the first provider to launch a commercially available MOCN (Multi Operator Core Network) neutral host solution with multiple carriers on the same network. This solution expands Cox's



private network offerings and provides mobile users access to stable, high-speed cellular service in hard-toservice areas such as buildings with reflective building materials, concrete walls, or locations underground. The solution solves similar challenges that distributed antenna systems (DAS) address, but at reduced cost and complexity, while also addressing many previously unserved organizations, facilities, and industries.

About Cox's Network

The solution expands public cellular networks through a dedicated, customer-owned private wireless network. As a result, in-building cellular technology is no longer reserved for the largest of venues, and can now be deployed in healthcare, hospitality, warehouses, and more.

Cox's neutral host solution is also:

- quick to deploy and easy to use
- not disruptive to existing infrastructure
- a scalable solution for businesses of all sizes
- a more economical, less complex option to install compared to DAS

Most critically, this neutral host solution also enables 911-calling, so emergency calls in a building can be connected regardless of the caller's mobile operator.

"Offering a neutral host solution to enhance indoor cellular coverage is the natural next step for applying private wireless technology and is one more way we can use private wireless networks to solve our customer's connectivity pain points," said Brett Lasher, general manager, Cox Private Networks. "Our Neutral Host solution empowers enterprises to finally take control of the quality of cellular coverage within their four walls and deliver the connectivity that employees, customers and guests require."

Market Availability

The Cox Connected Environments Collaboratory at Arizona State University is deploying an on-campus pilot of the Neutral Host technology. Through the pilot, the Collaboratory will explore how the solution enhances the digital infrastructure that powers learning and working for both students and employees.

Cox is also the first to partner with InfiniG to deliver a multi-carrier solution over shared IT infrastructure. The company is tapping InfiniG's expertise to help design, build and operate its neutral host solutions. "In-building cellular has long been seen as an expensive and unrealistic technology for many organizations," said Joel Lindholm, CEO at InfiniG. "Collaborating with Cox means we can provide a service that scales in many more environments, so users are better connected. Furthermore, it's the perfect complement to existing private network deployments."

Learn more at Mobile World Congress

Attendees of Mobile World Congress Las Vegas can visit the Private Wireless Summit, co-sponsored by Cox Private Networks, to learn more about Cox's vision for deploying private network solutions to overcome realworld challenges for the enterprise customer. The summit is on Wednesday, September 27, at 9:00 a.m. in West Hall W225.

About Cox Communications

Cox Communications is committed to creating meaningful moments of human connection through technology. As the largest private broadband company in America, we operate fiber-powered broadband networks in more than 30 states, providing connections and advanced cloud and managed IT services for nearly seven million homes and businesses nationwide. We're dedicated to empowering others to build a better future and celebrate diverse products, people, suppliers, communities and the characteristics that make each one unique. Cox Communications is the largest division of Cox Enterprises, a family-owned business founded in 1898 by Governor James M. Cox.

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About InfiniG

Founded by industry pioneers with decades of experience in cellular and enterprise networking, including

mobile network operations. The InfiniG team is widely recognized for developing this new, disruptive model that solves a broad industry problem using a collaborative approach. They are industry experts in CBRS, neutral host networks and have deployed this type of network for a Fortune 50 company. InfiniG is focused on solving the inbuilding mobile coverage problem in a scalable, cost-effective way which provides coverage in previously unserved properties. Discover more about Neutral Host as a Service (NHaaS) at <u>www.InfiniG.io</u>.

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