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Cable & Wireless Barbados expands network to deliver new IP services with SS8's ServiceController 3100

Platform increases operator's efficiency by simultaneously supporting messaging applications for traditional and IP-based voice services

SAN JOSE, CA — Feb. 6, 2006 — Cable & Wireless (Barbados) Limited has selected SS8 Networks' Service Controller 3100 as the core messaging platform to support traditional voice telephony and evolving VoIP and data services in the Caribbean. The platform's innovative design operates simultaneously in both circuit switched and IP networks, enabling Cable & Wireless Barbados to improve its cost effectiveness, while boosting deployment flexibility, customer responsiveness and network efficiency.

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Faced with upgrading and expanding their network, Cable & Wireless Barbados was challenged to provide voicemail services on existing, and new IP, voice infrastructures. Traditionally, this would have required separate voicemail systems – an expensive proposition that underutilizes network elements. But with the innovative design solution created by SS8 Networks, Cable & Wireless Barbados can now operate a multi-purpose voicemail solution on a single platform. In addition, the open standards based architecture of the SS8 Networks ServiceController 3100 provides Cable & Wireless Barbados with the ability to subsequently expand service offerings to include speech recognition, text to speech translation and video messaging.

“Cable & Wireless Barbados plans to be the only complete full service provider in the region and the technology hub of the Caribbean. In building upon our existing infrastructure, SS8 Networks demonstrated the flexibility and initiative to create an optimum solution,” said Cable & Wireless Barbados President Donald Austin. “Knowing that they have the features that our customers are demanding made the choice of SS8 Networks an easy one. This shows our further commitment to provide premier messaging services to our customers throughout the region. ”

“We’re delighted that Cable & Wireless Barbados has recognized the capabilities of our ServiceController 3100 and our company as a whole,” said SS8 Networks President and CEO, Dennis Haar. “The platform supports access on virtually any type of network, bridging circuit switched and IP technologies, as well as allowing the carrier to market expanded service offerings such as video to their customers. Helping a carrier like Cable & Wireless Barbados achieve their goals of providing premier service offerings, while reducing costs, is our objective at SS8.”

About SS8 Networks

SS8 Networks provides a complete range of messaging, lawful intercept, and signaling solutions that enable network operators to optimize their investment in traditional, legacy networks and seamlessly transition to next-generation networks. SS8 Networks' solutions are installed in multiple wireless and wireline networks worldwide and are also distributed through a channel of major international switch vendors. SS8 Networks has been recognized and named a Red Herring 100 and AlwaysOn company in North America in 2005, for its consistent profitability, innovation, quality of management, execution of strategy, and dedication to research and development. SS8 Networks is headquartered in San Jose, Calif., with offices worldwide. More information is available at www.SS8.com.

About Cable & Wireless (Barbados) Ltd

Cable & Wireless is one of the world's leading international communications companies. It provides fixed and mobile voice, data, IP (Internet Protocol) and broadband services to business and residential customers, as well as services to other telecoms carriers, mobile operators and providers of content, applications and internet services.

Cable & Wireless' principal operations are in the United Kingdom, the Caribbean, Panama, Macau and Monaco. For more information about Cable & Wireless, go to www.cw.com <<http://www.cw.com>>.

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