



Wavion and Balton selected by MTN Rwanda to provide Metro Wi-Fi to Kigali, Rwanda

Yoqne'am, Israel, October 20, 2009 - Wavion Ltd a company transforming the Metro and Rural Wi-Fi market with a new category of Wi-Fi Base Stations, Balton Uganda Ltd, a system integrator in Uganda and Rwanda and MTN Rwanda, a leading cellular operator in Rwanda, today announced the initialization of a large scale Wi-Fi network deployment based on Wavion WBS-2400 Base Stations in the city of Kigali, Rwanda. The WBS-2400 Base Stations will provide high-speed wireless (Wi-Fi) connectivity to medium and small businesses and residences in Kigali.

"As a leading communications provider, we are committed to provide our customers with a reliable and affordable broadband connectivity," said Mr. Rami Farah, CTO of MTN Rwanda. "We have chosen Wavion's Wi-Fi solution because of their powerful beamforming technology and their solution architecture which enables a cost-effective carrier-grade network with the highest standards of quality of service".

Wavion's WBS-2400 spatially adaptive beamforming base stations provide extended range, improved indoor penetration, non-line-of-sight (NLOS) operation and better interference resilience. In this first phase of the project, about 100 WBS-2400 base stations are being installed on MTN Rwanda cellular sites and roof-tops, and will jointly cover the city of Kigali. Wavion provided to MTN Rwanda a full end-to-end solution which apart from the WBS-2400 Base Stations included CPEs, backhaul, network management and integration with MTN provisioning system.

"We are proud to be selected by MTN Rwanda for their first large scale metro Wi-Fi deployment", said Eran Kaplan, EVP of Sales and Marketing. "Our superior performance in terms of range and indoors penetration is a key enabler to cost effective city-wide deployments. Our cooperation with Balton Uganda will ensure the customer with a complete and successful turn key project and ongoing support".

About Wavion

Wavion is transforming the metro Wi-Fi and rural markets with a new category of spatially adaptive beamforming base stations. The company's digital beamforming and SDMA technologies are the first and only to resolve the significant performance, penetration and profitability challenges facing large scale metro and rural deployments. Wavion is privately held and backed by world-class investors including Elron Electronic Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: ELRN), and BRM Capital. Wavion has offices in Miami, US, San Paulo, Brazil, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Moscow, Russia and New Delhi, India. To learn more, please visit Wavion at www.wavionnetworks.com

About Balton

BALTON has extensive experience in managing large scale projects requiring multi-disciplinary skills. Through its network of subsidiaries in Africa, Balton is ideally suited to offer customers the complete package for turnkey projects in construction, telecommunications, agriculture, horticulture and engineering. The offered package includes all the required work from the design, planning and procurement to implementation and commissioning. To learn more, please visit www.balton-u.com

About MTN Rwanda

MTN is a global communications company and world-class cellular network which is specifically focused on the Africa and the Middle East.

MTN Rwanda was founded in 1998 and since then continues to expand its network, offer new and innovative packages and services, and keep up with the latest trends in communications while maintaining affordability. To learn more, please visit MTN Rwanda at www.mtn.co.rw

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