LTE – THE NEXT STEP IN USER EXPERIENCE

Information Paper on “Evolution to LTE” by GSA confirms:

- 218 operators in 81 countries are now investing in LTE
- 24 LTE networks are commercially launched in 16 countries
- At least 91 LTE networks are expected to be in commercial service by end 2012
- The number of firm network deployment LTE commitments has more than doubled since June 2010

LTE system delivers capacity and data throughput enhancements and low latency, to support new services and features like demanding applications such as interactive TV, mobile video blogging, advanced gaming, and professional services.

The number of operator commitments confirmed 6 months and 12 months after the first commercial systems launches for HSDPA, HSUPA, HSPA+ and LTE respectively, **and confirms LTE as the fastest developing mobile system technology ever**.

The recent rapid increase in mobile data traffic, currently supported primarily by HSPA and HSPA+ systems, is driving the interest in deploying LTE as quickly as possible, and has attracted global industry support.

Source: GSA