

Are Multiple Broadband Infrastructures Sustainable: Key Characteristics of Competing Broadband Platforms

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Agenda – Key Characteristics of Competing Broadband Platforms

- Overview of Broadband Market
- Fiber
- Wireless
- WiMax
- Broadband over Power Lines (BPL)

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Overview of Broadband Market

Overall revenue growth forecast depends on type of market and type of broadband (BB) network that will likely be available in the next 1-2 years:

	Urban	Suburb/Exurb	Rural	
KEY PLAYERS	Fiber, Cable, DSL, Wireless	Fiber, Cable, DSL, Wireless	DSL, WiMax	KEY PLAYERS
	Cable MSOs RBOCs ILECs Satellite			Satellite

Current U.S. BB Market:

- 20 largest Cable & DSL providers account for 95% of all BB subs
- 2004: Record 8.6M total subs added
- Cable maintains 60% share of market
- % of lines +200 Kbps in both directions: Cable (94%), DSL (29%)

Broadband Internet Provider	Subscriptions at end of 2004	Net Add's 2004
Cox	4,912,200	1,127,500
Time Warner	2,911,000	696,500
Comcast	2,541,200	583,746
Charter	1,884,400	596,000
Cablevision	1,362,541	296,521
Adelphia*	1,322,677	351,251
Bright House Networks*	720,800	105,000
Mediacom	307,000	87,000
Insight	220,000	80,000
RCN†	179,300	44,000
Cable One	179,300	44,000
Total Top Cable	19,876,664	4,759,705
DSL		
Verizon	5,524,000	1,589,000
NetScout	3,939,000	1,240,000
Bell South	2,096,000	634,000
Comcast	1,697,000	480,000
Cable	533,200	86,200
Sprint	493,000	188,000
ALLTEL	243,325	86,200
CenturyLink	142,276	51,175
CenturyTel	131,000	32,000
Total Top DSL	13,326,906	4,247,672
Total Broadband	33,194,754	8,996,267

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Fiber Deployment

Who's investing in fiber?

- As of 5/10/05: 400 U.S. Communities receive FTTH service (+83% from 2004)
 - CLECs (40%), Non-Bell ILECs (33%), RBOCs (16%), Muni (6%)†
- U.S. Fiber Market Predictions (homes passed) vary:
 - 2009: 11.8M?*
 - 2010: 60M?*

Capabilities: Telco Fiber Networks vs. Cable & Satellite (DirecTV/DISH)

	FTTP	FTTN/FTTC	Cable	Satellite
Maximum Downstream Rate*	62.5-125 Mbps	25-50 Mbps	3-5 Mbps	500 Kbps
Maximum Upstream Rate*	5 Mbps	3 Mbps	<1 Mbps	50 Kbps

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Fiber Costs & ROI

Deployment Costs

- Verizon (FIOS) – FTTP – \$1,000 per home
 - FTTP-based FIOS BB now offered in 250+ communities*
 - \$1B spent to pass 1M homes; will pass 3M homes in 13 states in 2005**
- SBC (Lightspeed) – FTTN
 - IPTV still in development
 - \$4B to be spent over the next 3 years to pass 18M homes in 13 states by mid-2008*
- BellSouth – FTTC
 - Network will offer download speeds of 12-24Mbps
 - Trial of IPTV in late 2005 will depend on Microsoft software testing

Costs: Buried Deployment can range \$80-\$260K per mile; Aerial deployment: \$17-37K per mile*

Telcos Must Offer Value-Added Services to Get An ROI

Base services	Monthly revenues
Broadband service	\$30
VoIP	\$45
Total	\$75

Potential value-added services

Enhanced software-based security (PK, spyware AV)	\$5-\$10
Personal media storage	\$5-\$10
Premiums HDTV channels	\$15
Home automation and home security service	\$20-\$30
Total	\$45-\$65
Total Base and value-added services	\$115-\$135

Source: "The Business Model for Telco TV" Forrester Research – 5/19/05

ROI COULD TAKE UP TO 1-2 YEARS

Capital Expenditures per household:

- FTTN: \$800
- FTTP: \$1,500+
- Line cards/set-top boxes: \$500-600


Source: Forrester Research – 5/19/05

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Wireless

Evolution Data Only (EvDO)

- Average download speeds of 300-500Kbps with bursts of 2.0-2.4Mbps
- Deployment costs of \$1B per year (VerizonWireless & Sprint)



Deployments

- VZW: Sept. '04; spent \$4B annually over past 4 years; NYC investment totaled \$435M in 2004, \$138M YTD in 2005*
- Alltel: 1Q05 in Tampa, Akron, Cleveland†
- Sprint: Trial underway; 60 metro areas by early 2006**
- Bell Canada: 2005-2006 in major Canadian business centers **

Blackberry

- Research in Motion's (RIM) Blackberry: 2.5M subs worldwide, partners with all U.S. mobile networks (CDMA, GSM, iDEN) and 802.11b**

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WiMax – “Wi-Fi on Steroids”

WiMax (802.16) –

- Capital Cost per customer: \$240 (2007), \$80 (2008) due to advances in mobile devices; usage will be VoIP driven*
- Current entrants offer download speeds of 500Kbps (residential), 3.0Mbps (business)**
- Currently testing: Intel, Nokia, Sprint, BellSouth
- Intel predicts speeds of 50-100Mbps*
- Muni usage: 0.5-0.6% of all munis
 - Marietta, GA ends service after losing \$35M
 - Lafayette, LA and others face legal battles from Telcos and MSOs; 13 states have passed laws with 12 more in-progress
- Global 2009 Market Projection: 7M subs**

WIMAX GROWTH	
Worldwide Sales of WiMax Equipment	
Year	Sales
2004	\$20 million*
2005	\$45 million**
2006	\$160 million
2007	\$550 million
2008	\$1 billion
2009	\$1.6 billion

* Pre-WiMax certified gear (equipment likely to be similar to WiMax gear that is certified as approved in July)
 ** A mix of pre-WiMax certified and qualified equipment
 Source: Sky Light Research. Data released November 2004

*MesaGroup 8/11/04
 www.cablest.com
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Will WiMax be a success?

"I think that will be very competitive with those technologies, and especially where those technologies aren't built out, in rural areas. Will it compete with wired access? Absolutely. Will it be perhaps the only broadband solution you have in some areas? Absolutely, especially in rural areas." - Craig Barrett, CEO - Intel

"WiMax... has a tremendous advantage over CDMA2000 1x EV-DO or WCDMA HSDPA... One of the great things is that it has the name. But it's still not a technology," Jacobs quipped, referring to the fact that WiMax for fixed broadband will not ship until later this year and the mobile version of it is still being standardized. - Irwin Jacobs, CEO - Qualcomm

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Broadband over Power Lines (BPL)

BPL: "2005 – Pivotal year for the technology. Critical for the future of BPL"*

- Early Success*:
 - Cinergy (first utility to deploy BPL commercially) currently passes 50,000 homes in Ohio; Duke Energy – 15,000 homes
 - ComTek – first CityWide network in Manassas, VA; \$29/mo. with download speeds up to 500Kbps; testing 100Mbps apps
 - ConEd/Ambient/Earthlink JV for 213-unit condo on NYC's Upper West Side
- U.S. Market Projections (3-5 yrs)
 - \$4.5B Revenue, 13M subs
- Potential Roadblocks
 - Cost-prohibitive? TXU believes deployment across 70-80% of its territory will cost \$300M-500M; could look to outsource*
 - Technical constraints: NARUC Task Force finds that current BPL technology is feasible to reach clusters of residential homes but not to widely dispersed rural users**

BPL initially is as much about an upgrade to the electrical management and delivery network (i.e. "Smart grid capabilities" - cost savings through remote meter monitoring, dynamic monitoring to prevent surges or implement spot blackouts to manage demand) as it is the delivery of residential broadband to capture new revenue streams.

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