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Building the Mobile Broadband Ecosystem for LTE in 1800MHz

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THE WIRELESS DATA GROWTH STORY







When combined, the trends of fixed to mobile, and voice to data, will lead to continued rapid growth in mobile data volumes



Notes: Telstra 2014 number not provided; CAGR calculated for 2009-2013 and applied to get 2014 * Telstra CAGR is from 2009 - 2013

Source: Cisco Global Mobile Data Traffic Forecast Update 2009-2014 (Feb 9 2010); Telstra data provided by Lloyd Grooby





- Evolution through the 3GPP roadmap enables greater cell efficiency, lower costs and enhanced user experience.
- Penetration of devices is the key to releasing network efficiencies
- Evolution to a hybrid LTE/HSPA+ network is a logical extension of this strategy
- Searly start-up and penetration of LTE devices can be used to optimally balance loading





FORECAST NEW SPECTRUM THERE IS A LIKELY SHORTFALL SO REFARMING MAKES SENSE











* Telstra derived network unit costs per MByte (excluding OSS/BSS)

Latest technologies minimise capex investment



Comparable theoretical capex to meet forecast demand using these technologies only



TELSTRA HAS A LONG HISTORY OF REFARMING SPECTRUM



- Telstra has re-farmed spectrum and even closed networks to do so in the past
- Evolution to a integrated HSPA+/LTE network is a logical extension of this strategy



USING LTE 1800 MHz TO MAINTAIN USER EXPERIENCE 2011





PREPARATION FOR LTE: 3 TRIALS IN AUSTRALIAN CONDITIONS

Urban and rural evaluation of LTE technology, reflecting our track record of servicing rural Australia

- June 2010: World's longest LTE data call
 - Peak speeds of 100Mbps download and 31Mbps upload over 75kms in regional Victoria
- July 2010: Australian first demonstrated LTE technology operating on 1800MHz spectrum
- 2010: Demonstrated video calling between Sydney & Brisbane over an integrated HSPA and LTE network.







EVOLUTION TO A HYBRID HSPA+/LTE "4G" NETWORK



- With a National HSPA+ enabled network we are able to deliver a '4G like' experience today
- The move to LTE is being driven by optimisation of demand management & investment
- An LTE network rollout will focus on:
 - Maintaining user experience in terms of coverage and speed
 - Leveraging common network capabilities
 & products across the packet core
 - Penetration of Dual Mode LTE/HSPA capable devices (highest demand first)





KEY LTE DEVICES NEED TO BE AVAILABLE



Device penetration is fundamental to utilisation of network capability

Data Cards: 80% of network data traffic comes from data cards and routers

- Data cards offer early availability and therefore ability to penetrate the network base for improved efficiencies.
- Sierra Wireless has been the device partner for advanced technologies (including 21 & 42Mbps DC launches. Its LTE portfolio meets Telstra's LTE requirements including support for 1800 and future 2600 MHz spectrum operation and fallback to DC-HSPA 42 Mbps).
- LTE Device model: AirCard320U* same form factor as existing 42 device
 - LTE Cat 3 (100Mbps DL and 50Mbps UL in 20MHz**) USB modem
 - Multi-mode with DC HSPA+ and UMTS with Type 3i Rx Diversity
 - LTE: 800, 1800, 2600 MHz + 3G-UMTS 850 / 1900 / 2100 MHz +Quadband 2G/EDGE
 - Future support for LTE in 2600 maximising load balancing flexibility

Handsets/Smart-phones :

Discussions commenced with key smart-phone vendors for early access to LTE enab these typically follow data cards by 12 months.





LTE/HSPA+ : USING THE 'GAS' IN THE HSPA TANK & MOVING TO AN INTEGRATED NETWORK



New HSPA+ 42/LTE data card 2011 New 42 Mbps handsets available 2011 Upgrade to 84Mbps in regional areas as devices emerge Hybrid HSPA+/LTE interworking to make it seamless

HSPA

