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Hughes ActiveQoS™ Technology Enhancements Accelerate Cloud Applications and 4G Network Performance

Part of HughesON™ Managed Solutions, Powering Enterprise-Wide Networks

Germantown, Md., March 31, 2014—Hughes Network Systems, LLC (Hughes) today announced at Interop 2014 two new enhancements to its ActiveQoS™ optimization technology that significantly improve network performance for cloud applications and 4G wireless connectivity. Part of the comprehensive suite of HughesON Managed Network Solutions and embedded in the high-security Hughes 4x00 family of Branch Gateways, these enhancements deliver true end-to-end QoS over commonly available and affordable broadband.

Cloud Acceleration
Enterprises are finding their existing wide-area network may not be up to the challenge of supporting new bandwidth intensive cloud applications from the branch—such as Guest WiFi and SaaS, which can easily overwhelm an existing MPLS network with T1 access. An ideal solution is to supplement the existing network with a broadband secondary network.

The latest Hughes ActiveQoS technology enhancements significantly accelerate the performance of broadband networks, whether primary or supplemental. Built into the Hughes 4x00 series Branch Gateways as part of the comprehensive suite of HughesON Managed Solutions, ActiveQoS automatically classifies and prioritizes applications based on their traffic flow characteristics—for example, prioritizing a point of sale transaction over a file backup. The result is true end-to-end quality of service (QoS) for direct-to-net flows, even those utilizing SSL encryption. Unlike typical split-tunnel implementations, Hughes ActiveQoS technology ensures that key cloud applications are not impacted by lower priority Internet traffic from the branch.

4G Acceleration
Though many multi-branch organizations are considering 4G LTE due to the advantages of quick deployment and high-bandwidth applications, they are often stymied by numerous challenges—including network variability, usage based billing, and the fact that standard QoS implementations cannot track available 4G bandwidth. Hughes has addressed these limitations by an enhancement to Hughes ActiveQoS which provides real-time tracking of available 4G bandwidth, thereby ensuring end-to-end QoS for better application performance. Working in tandem with ActiveQoS, Hughes ActiveCompression™ provides more “virtual bandwidth” for better performance without costly link connectivity upgrades.

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“With enhanced ActiveQoS technology built-in, our Hughes 4x00 Branch Gateways provide distributed enterprises unmatched security while at the same time overcoming the challenges of direct-to-net connectivity and 4G implementations,” said Sampath Ramaswami, senior director of Strategic Planning at Hughes. “As a result, distributed enterprises can now take advantage of a more affordable and flexible next-generation WAN that delivers true end-to-end QoS over commonly available broadband, like DSL, cable, and 4G.”

The new enhanced Hughes ActiveQoS technology accelerating cloud applications and 4G access is available now. To learn more, visit Hughes at Interop 2014 in Las Vegas, booth 650.

About Hughes Network Systems
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