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Today's Headlines

Convergence

VERIZON WIRELESS TO OPEN NETWORK to outside applications, devices. Parties applaud announcement but wonder about pricing. Carrier seen as gearing up for 700 MHz C-block auction.

UNNECESSARY REGULATION could 'impede' fiber networks, AT&T and Verizon panelists tell IEEE Globecom.

Telecom

MAINE URGED TO REJECT Verizon-FairPoint deal in harsh report by PUC hearing examiner. Any PUC approval must include price cut, other hard financial conditions.

TELECOM NOTES: FCC orders North Pittsburgh Telephone to give pole access to Salsgiver Communications... Raising education, income levels would increase broadband adoption, says Phoenix Center... European Commission approves Vodafone purchase of alternative telcos.

Telecom Services

TV & Cable

MARTIN CABLE COMPROMISE would get subscriber data

directly from industry. FCC meeting delayed hours.

E-WASTE RECYCLERS seek state and local government support to get FCC subsidy for post-transition analog TV handling.

ARBITRON DELAYS PPM introduction in top markets. Move seen as bad for Arbitron but good for some broadcasters.

MEDIA NOTES: All five FCC commissioners set to testify Dec. 13 in Senate... Minority broadcast ownership order cut from FCC agenda.

TV & Cable Services

Internet

ONLINE VIDEOGAME RULES proposed by French Internet Rights Forum.

TECHNOLOGY BOOSTS U.S. productivity, while Europe's slow adoption hinders growth, report says.

AGENCIES: Identities of 4 percent stolen in 2005, FTC says... Naval Institute debuts 'raw' blog.

COURTS: RIAA ordered to explain ‘categories’ of expenses incurred for downloads.

INTERNATIONAL: WTO sets panel to hear U.S. complaint against China on audiovisual, entertainment products... EU agency warns of botnet industry growth... Million Book Project for scanning and posting hits its target.

DOMAIN NAMES: RIPE NCC publishes key signing key for e164.arpa-zone.

INDUSTRY NOTES: Facebook responds to second round of MoveOn.org complaints... Webroot merges with Email Systems... Intuit to acquire Homestead Technologies... Amazon's Createspace offers personalized children's CDs.

Internet Services

Consumer Electronics

E-WASTE RECYCLERS seek state and local government support to get FCC subsidy for post-DTV transition analog TV handling.

WII SET SELLTHROUGH RECORDS last week when sales smashed previous week’s high mark, says regional Nintendo chief.

TOO EARLY TO GRADE HOLIDAY SALES, but early signs are positive, THQ’s CEO tells investor conference.

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Rights Forum to address sociological, economic and judicial concerns.

DIGITAL TV: Files of consumers who apply for DTV coupons will be stored under lock and key, NTIA vows in Privacy Act notice.

INDUSTRY NOTES: Nintendo becomes first company to score zero in Greenpeace's latest Guide to Green Electronics.

COMPANIES: NBC Universal to begin using TiVo interactive tags with its programming starting in January.

DIGITAL RADIO: Volvo to offer HD Radio as factory-installed standard or option on eight models.

RETAIL: Staples paid $38 million to settle suit by assistant store managers that overtime exemptions violated California law.

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