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STRIX SYSTEMS LEADS WIRELESS MESH NETWORK MARKET IN RADIOS SOLD IN BOTH 2005 AND FIRST HALF OF 2006

Research by Wireless Mesh Equipment Market Tracker Reveals Strix Holds 22 Percent of Market

CALABASAS, Calif., September 27, 2006 – Strix Systems, the leader in high-performance wireless mesh networking, today announced that it has shipped more mesh radios than any other vendor in both 2005 and 1H2006, according to Wireless Mesh Equipment Market Tracker published by Heavy Reading, the research division of Light Reading, Inc. The company has shipped a total of 32,100 radios: 16,000 in 2005 since it began shipping the Access/One® Network Outdoor Wireless System (OWS) in April 2005, and another 16,100 in the first six months of 2006.

The Wireless Mesh Equipment Market Tracker report noted that worldwide sales of wireless mesh equipment are expected to grow by more than 100 percent in 2006, and that the market's cumulative revenue will approach \$1 billion by the end of 2008. As the market grows, it is shifting from sales to small WISPs, municipal authorities, and enterprises to carriers, which will account for 40 percent of the market in 2008.

“As large-scale mesh deployments increase and mesh technologies advance, radios shipped will increase in importance as an indicator of system capacity and vendor success,” said Patrick Donegan, Senior Analyst at Heavy Reading and creator of the Wireless Mesh Equipment Market Tracker. “By shipping a high capacity, multiradio, product in significant volume from day one, Strix has taken a leadership position in terms of that market share benchmark.”

“We are pleased to be the market leader in the wireless mesh network market,” said Nan Chen, Vice President of Product Management and Marketing at Strix. “It reflects the market's rapid adoption of the third-generation multi-radio wireless mesh architecture, which dedicates separate radios to access and backhaul of ingress and egress. Single- and dual-radio approaches are limited in scalability and

performance and offer no practical support of real-time applications such as voice and video. As the market leader, it's our responsibility to continue to provide our customers with the industry's most scalable, flexible, and future-proof solution, which only a multi-radio, carrier-class system can provide. Strix Access/One operates in any carrier environment and provides capabilities crucial to carriers as they become a dominant force in the wireless mesh network market.”

Strix's multi-radio OWS platform enables customers to build the largest-scale mesh networks with the industry's highest throughput, lowest latency, greatest scalability, and carrier-class reliability, verified this year through independent wireless mesh product testing conducted by Iometrix. Because Strix networks can scale to 10 or more wireless hops with near-zero throughput loss and latency, they can support real-time applications with a minimum of wired connections for a given area, thus significantly lowering CapEx and OpEx. Strix's multi-radio architecture also yields the highest capacity in the industry, with a practical maximum of 768 users per node and throughput of more than 100 Mbps per node. In addition, the company provides a carrier-class network management system.

With radios dedicated exclusively to backhaul and an architecture that provides the most resilient dynamic mesh capabilities, Strix will always provide sufficient backhaul bandwidth as the wireless mesh network grows. Single- and dual-radio architectures force customers to invest in a larger number of wired backhaul connections and purchase add-on backhaul solutions as the network grows to provide the network performance, quality, and reliability needed to maintain end-user satisfaction. Strix Systems' multi-radio approach requires the industry's fewest wired backhaul connections and does not require additional backhaul products, thus decreasing CapEx and OpEx and making the network more manageable.

About Strix Systems

Strix Systems is the worldwide leader in wireless mesh networking. Strix's Access/One® products are the industry's only modular (chassis-based) mesh systems, delivering the largest capacity, highest throughput, and best scalability. This new generation of products provides the broadband mobility and reach to support voice, video, and data applications. Sold globally by a network of first-class distributors and integrators, Access/One® solutions have been deployed in hundreds of networks worldwide, outdoor and indoor, for the service providers, metro, public safety, government, energy, transportation, hospitality, education, enterprise, and residential markets. For more information about Strix Systems, please visit www.strixsystems.com.

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