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WiMax Progress: Standards and Deployment in Taiwan and the World

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WiMAX (Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave Access) has been on the spotlight of global wireless industry for several years. Compared to other broadband wireless technologies, WiMAX is the only technology available today that enables mobile internet. Deployment of mobile WiMAX networks accelerated after the availability of mobile WiMAX product certification and proliferation of devices late 2008. The WiMAX development in Taiwan reached an important milestone with first commercial service launched on April 27, 2009. UQ Communications in Japan announced soft launch earlier this year with popular demand. WiMAX activities including spectrum planning, auction of licenses, and network deployment in all regions of the world. According to WiMAX Forum, there are currently 455 WiMAX deployments in 135 countries providing fixed and mobile WiMAX services. This presentation will describe the status IEEE 802.16 specifications and state of WiMAX Forum including network architecture and product certification. The WiMAX deployments and application in Taiwan and other regions including emerging and developed countries will be described and discussed.