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NGMN Releases Requirements for Initial Terminal Device Definition Alliance demonstrates support for early availability of next generation mobile devices

London (United Kingdom) / Frankfurt (Germany), February 12th, 2009 – The Next Generation Mobile Network (NGMN) Alliance has today announced a deliverable document which provides the generic definitions required for next generation devices. The Initial Terminal Device Definition (ITDD) document is available to download from www.ngmn.org and demonstrates the NGMN Alliance's commitment to providing support across the entire next generation marketplace including devices and networks.

A major objective of the NGMN Alliance is to ensure that next generation devices are available when the network is commercially available in 2010. The industry requires complete synchronicity of next generation devices, networks and services for a successful launch.

The NGMN's ITDD project is an initiative which determined the requirements for user equipment for delivery in 2010. It defined devices which are enabled to serve common requirements while at the same time providing enough customisation to be regionally useful.

This document has initiated a sequence of "Executive Workshops on Devices" where all NGMN partners are committed to participate. NGMN continues to put a major focus in its workplan on the critical success factors in the device area including early device availability and capabilities, certification, test cases and IPR matters.

"NGMN's main objective is to provide the mobile industry with support and recommendations that will enable device manufacturers, service providers and network operators to offer a complete synchronised offering in 2010. The ITDD document released today is the result of many months of intense work by the NGMN partners. They have specifically taken into account the mobile industry requirements for devices in the launch phase", said Peter Meissner, Operating Officer, NGMN Alliance.

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About NGMN Alliance (www.ngmn.org)

The Next Generation Mobile Network (NGMN) Alliance currently consists of 56 world leading global network operators, technology vendors and universities. The network operators represent more than half of all mobile phone users worldwide and technology vendors represent more than 90 percent of implemented mobile wireless infrastructure. The key objective of the Alliance is to provide a platform for innovation for mobile broadband communications that enables an exceptional mobile user experience - cost-effective and user-friendly services and a range of end user devices like mobile phones and embedded mobile devices for laptops, consumer electronics, game consoles, etc. The NGMN White Paper summarises the vision for mobile broadband communications and includes common operator recommendations as well as requirements for the standards for the next generation of mobile broadband networks, devices and services.

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