



UTStarcom Unveils the T66, Its First Dual-Mode, Dual-Standby CDMA/GSM Handset

Company Signs Contract with China Unicom to Supply T66 Handsets for Unicom's World Wind Service

ALAMEDA, Calif., June 29, 2006 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- UTStarcom, Inc. (Nasdaq: UTSI), a global leader in IP-based, end-to-end networking solutions and services, today unveiled its T66 dual-mode, dual-standby CDMA/GSM handset. The company also announced that it has signed a contract with China Unicom to supply T66 handsets for its World Wind dual-mode phone service.

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"We're very happy that our advanced T66 dual-mode solution was selected by the top mobile service brand in China," said Simon Le, senior vice president of UTStarcom China. "We believe the contract lays the foundation on which we can continue to develop more best-in-class products for World Wind users by leveraging our expertise in dual-mode technology."

Targeted at middle- to high-end users, the T66 handset is designed to meet the needs of both business users and of consumers who want entertainment features. The CDMA and GSM modes of the T66 handset is designed to be able to stand by simultaneously, which can enable users to choose either mode at any time to make a phone call or send a short message. The original World Wind dual-mode phones could support either CDMA or GSM at any one time, but could not support both simultaneously.

The T66 has two 2.6-inch Thin Film Transistor (TFT) color screens and a 1.3 megapixel camera that supports several camera modes and digital zoom plus a built-in 64M T Flash. The handset is also designed to support MP4 film broadcasting and stereo sound, as well as MP3 broadcasting and a music information display. The T66 has a classic, stylish shell design with three groups of functional buttons and a flashlight. The handset will be available in both black and silver.

About China Unicom's World Wind Service

World Wind dual-mode mobile phone service, launched by China Unicom in August 2004, is designed to enable users to switch between CDMA and GSM with a dual-mode handset. The bundled CDMA and GSM service is expected to enhance roaming capability and network coverage. More importantly, the service gives existing GSM subscribers of China Unicom or other operators an additional choice for enjoying the high-speed and value-added services provided by CDMA 1X networks.

About UTStarcom, Inc.

UTStarcom is a global leader in IP-based, end-to-end networking solutions and international service and support. The company sells its broadband, wireless, and handset solutions to operators in both emerging and established telecommunications markets around the world. UTStarcom enables its customers to rapidly deploy revenue-generating access services using their existing infrastructure, while providing a migration path to cost-efficient, end-to-end IP networks. Founded in 1991 and headquartered in Alameda, California, the company has research and design operations in the United States, Canada, China, Korea and India. UTStarcom is a FORTUNE 1000 company.

For more information about UTStarcom, visit the company's Web site at www.utstar.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This release includes forward-looking statements, including the foregoing statements regarding the anticipated impact of the contract with China Unicom on the Company's product development efforts, the anticipated ability of the T66 handset to meet the consumer needs and expectations, the anticipated functionality, features and design of the T66 handset, the expectation that World Wind dual mode service will enable users to switch between CDMA and GSM with a dual mode handset, and the anticipated ability of World Wind dual mode service to improve roaming capability, network coverage and consumer choice. These statements are forward-looking in nature and subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially. These risk factors include rapidly changing technology, the changing nature of global telecommunications markets, either in China or globally, the termination of significant contracts and/or strategic relationships, the direction and results of future research and development efforts, evolving product and applications standards, reduction or delays in system deployments, product transitions, potential non- realization of backlog, changes in demand for and acceptance of the

Company's products, general adverse economic conditions, and trends and uncertainties such as changes in government regulation and licensing requirements, either in China, or globally. The Company also refers readers to the risk factors identified in its latest Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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