RAM Mobile Data invests in new Mobitex Switching platform

Mobitex is pleased to announce the adoption by RAM Mobile Data in Netherlands of Mobitex's new software switching platform. Over the course of the coming months RAM is set to replace its current switching units in a move that will increase switching capacity and improve network redundancy.

The Software Switch, which is the latest Mobitex product to be released in to the market, combines the reliability of the old MX unit with enhanced switching capacity. Running on a standard Sun Solaris platform, this latest Mobitex innovation ensures that configuration flexibility and monitoring functionality are mapped to the needs of the 21 century operator.

Iris Ödman, Sales Director at Mobitex Technology AB, said: "Among many of our operators we hear an increasing demand for cost-efficient, reliable long-term solutions. In RAM, we see an operator who by undertaking this upgrade is future proofing its network for many years to come"

RAM will be installing three switches at different switch locations and in doing so will be able to de-commission eight switches currently in operation. The new architecture will complete the "All IP" backbone of Mobitex in the Benelux region. With improved fail-over possibilities, entire sites can now go down without impact to the customer. Radio base stations and fixed customer connections are re-connected to alternative switches without interruption. The result: a network service including fixed host connections operating with the maximum level of reliability and service.

"We have been a Mobitex operator since 1993 and we are great believers in the technology. Our track-and-trace service package is the expanding factor in our Mobitex division, and we have signed up over 300 customers for this service", says Wouter Levenbach, Technical Director at RAM Netherlands.

All measures have been taken in order for the current Mobitex network operation to be maintained without disturbances or interruptions during the upgrade. Implementation will be performed in three phases, and is estimated to take just over a year.

About Mobitex Technology AB
Mobitex Technology develops, sells and supports wireless Mobitex systems. Mobitex is a wireless technology for dedicated narrow band data with high security and quality. The Mobitex technology has a number of unique qualities and the technology guarantees a safe and fast transfer for short and frequent messages. Mobitex networks have been supplied in some 30 countries worldwide, and are used by more than 100 police and public safety authorities. Other important market segments where Mobitex is expanding are machine-to-machine communication such as alarm systems, wireless money transactions, telematics and parking meters.

About RAM Mobile Data
RAM Mobile Data is a specialised provider of products and services for wireless data communications and time-critical commercial applications. From an independent position RAM Mobile Data supplies solutions based on Mobitex, GPRS, UMTS and HSDPA. RAM distinguishes itself by providing professional services and end-to-end services such as Navara and Track and Trace.. An increasing amount of applications, gateways and platforms from customers and ASP providers is managed by RAM's own hosting service. RAM is active in field service, public service, transport, parking, security, telemetry and health care.

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