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Eka Systems Joins IPSO Alliance to Promote Use of IP in Networks of Smart Objects

Momentum Building as Leading Companies Create Alliance to Offer Education, Interoperability Testing, Marketing for Embedded IP Applications

Germantown, MD, September 19, 2008 - Eka Systems today announced that it has joined the IPSO Alliance, a group of leading technology vendors and users whose goal is promoting the Internet Protocol (IP) as the networking technology best suited for connecting sensor- and actuator-equipped or “smart” objects and delivering information gathered by those objects.



Smart objects are objects in the physical world that – typically with the help of embedded devices – transmit information about their condition or environment (e.g., temperature, light, motion, health status) to locations where the information can be analyzed, correlated with other data and acted upon.

“The IPSO Alliance is pleased to have Eka Systems join as a Promoter and help build a community to drive the adoption of IP for smart objects”, said Geoff Mulligan, Chairman of the Alliance. “We have a distinguished group of companies in the Alliance who are all dedicated to educating a wide range of user communities about IP and bringing IP-based solutions to the marketplace.”

“In the Utility Industry where literally millions of electricity, water and gas meters can benefit from standards compliant networking technology, Eka Systems will lead the way to a full implementation of IP for smart objects” said Prakash Chakravarthi, President and CEO of Eka Systems. “IP has been promised to utilities for years, and they have only seen half measures. The IPSO Alliance will generate substantial momentum towards this goal, and we are pleased to be a founding member, and offer the services of M.B. Anand, Eka Systems’ CTO, to the Technical Advisory Board.”

About Eka Systems

Eka Systems is a global manufacturer and supplier of wireless, self-managing, self-healing Smart Network and Smart Grid networking solutions that provide unrestricted monitoring and control of customer water, electric and gas data; enabling utility companies to create efficient, flexible and highly scalable AMI, AMR, and Distribution Automation solutions while simultaneously enhancing overall customer satisfaction.

Eka Systems' portfolio features EkaNet™ Smart Network which provides comprehensive security for a utility's entire network and its data. EkaNet Solutions scale easily, self-configure, and self-heal without burdensome installation and cost issues while managing themselves, thereby eliminating traditional IT management costs associated with smart metering. For more information, please visit www.ekasystems.com.

About the IPSO Alliance

The IPSO Alliance is a global non-profit organization serving the various communities seeking to establish the Internet Protocol as the basis for connecting smart objects by providing coordinated marketing efforts available to the general public. The Alliance's purpose is to provide a foundation for industry growth through building stronger relationships, fostering awareness, providing education, promoting the industry, generating research and creating a better understanding of IP and its role in connecting smart objects. For more information, visit <http://www.IPSO-Alliance.org>.

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