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### "Marketing in a Wireless World" Effective Strategies to Combat Line Loss and Remain Relevant

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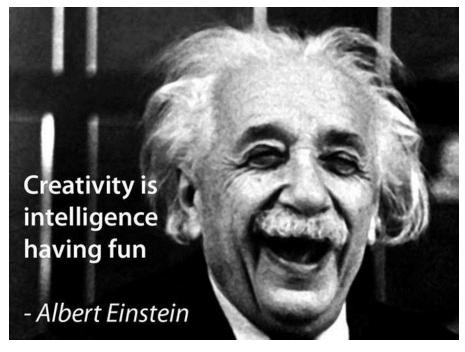
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### INNOVATE



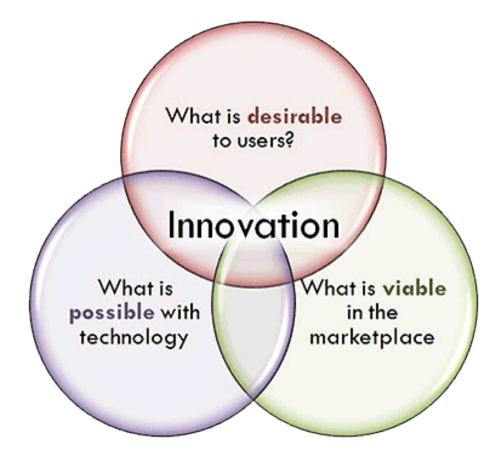
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"CREativity" Takes courage. 1 (Henri Matisse)





Innovation is change that unlocks new value.

- Jamie Notter

Innovation is the only way to win. *Steve Jobs* 



### **Current Environment**

- Regulated Revenues are under pressure
  and uncertain
- Competitive pressures continue to build
- Customers demand more and more
- Costs continue to increase
- Margins continue to be squeezed



### **Issues to Consider**

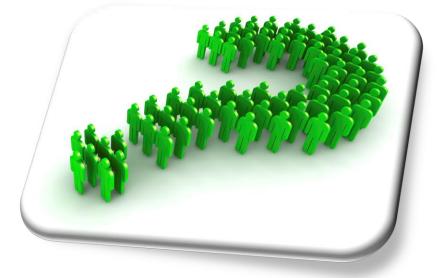
- How do we define our market?
- Are our operations diversified?
- Do we have a sales and marketing culture?
- Do we have the right staff for the times?
- Do we have a growth strategy?
- Are we controlling our costs?



### Observations

- Historical business trends are not sustainable
- Revenues and ARPU need to increase
- Operating losses need to be eliminated
- New products and services need to be developed (or bought)
- Expenses need to be reduced/managed





### **FUTURE CUSTOMER "NEEDS"**



# **BUSINESS** Opportunities



### **Business Direction**

- Traditional Voice is DEAD
- Everything moving to Broadband/IP

   VolP
  - Entertainment
  - Managed Services
  - Cloud Based Services
  - Fixed and Mobile Services
  - Etc.



### The IP Transformation

- Broadband adoption is still increasing and there is plenty of room to grow
- Customer demand for higher speed services will increase as more dataintensive applications are developed
- Ownership of fiber networks is a huge asset – take advantage of it however you can!



### The IP Transformation: Usage Projections

- The numbers speak: be optimistic about IP
  - 313 million machine-to-machine connections by 2016
    - \$8.3b in revenue for communications providers
  - 9 x increase in mobile device usage expected in next 5 years
  - Global cloud service market \$55b in 2011, \$130b expected in 2015
  - Consumers spend over \$2 trillion a year on content, devices and services
  - Global OTT video market \$8b in 2012, expected to be \$20b in 2015



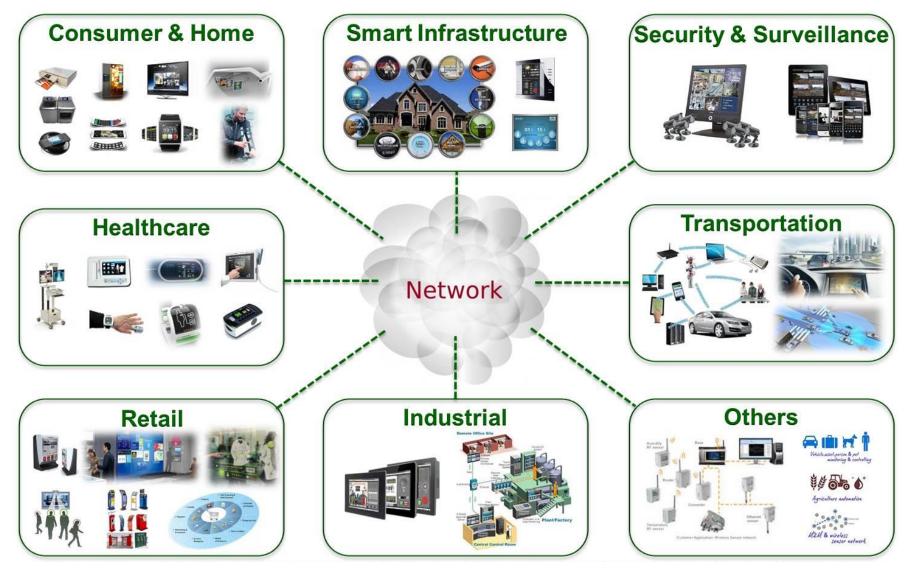
# The Internet of Things



The *Internet of Things* is the network of physical objects that contain embedded technology to communicate and sense or interact with other physical objects.



### What will be Connected?





### A New Direction for ILECs

- The IP services market will be dominated by large players (Google, Intel, Netflix, Genband, 8x8, BroadSoft, etc.) but small LECs can find niche opportunities in/near their communities.
  - Be proactive about finding the opportunities
  - If you don't, someone else will



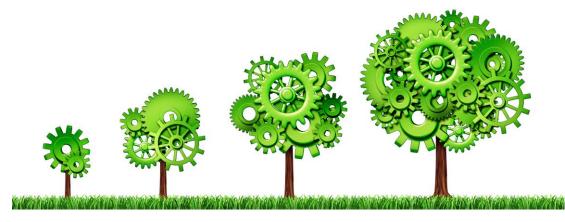
### **Opportunities in IP Services**

- 1. Data Centers and Managed Services for small and medium-sized businesses
  - Offsite storage for disaster recovery
  - Customized services for any local business
    - Full or partial suite of managed services storage, backup, network monitoring, connectivity management, user analytics, etc.
  - LAN, WAN, Mobility Management, Infrastructure Management, etc.



### Managed Services Growth

- Global Managed Services market will grow more than twice as fast as basic transport revenues
- The market will grow from \$137 billion in 2013 to \$235 billion in 2017





### **Opportunities in IP Services**

- 2. IP PBX Systems
  - Feature-rich IP telephony
  - Inexpensive entry for consumer, scalable and flexible
  - Margin positive business model which is leverageable
  - Within the U.S., there are approximately 6 million businesses with less than 250 employees, of which more than 2.5 million have between 5 and 250 employees



### **IP PBX/Hosted Services Growth**

- The number of lines/seats will grow at a compounded annual growth rate of almost 25% for 5 plus years
- Revenue in the small business segment will increase from \$513 million in 2013 to \$1.2 billion in 2015
- Total Hosted market will grow from \$2.8B in 2010 to \$5.5B in 2014
- Margins range from 50%-80%



### **Opportunities in IP Services**

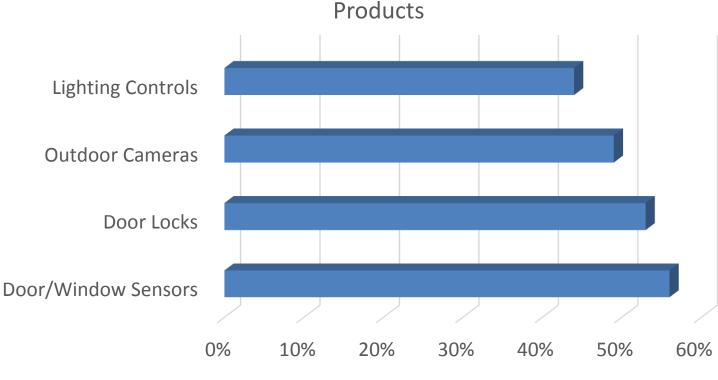
- 3. IP Video Services
  - Video is the largest category of traffic on your network already (2/3 of downstream traffic in peak time is streaming audio/video)
  - Video entertainment is trending more social, mobile, and web-based
  - Demand for a la carte, on-demand OTT programming (huge bandwidth requirements)
  - New players in the IP video market
    - Intel Media Box and OTT service Ultra HD capability

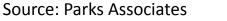


### **Opportunities in IP Services**

• 4. Smart Homes

U.S. Broadband Household Interest in Smart Home





### **Smart Home**

Your competitors are all over these opportunities

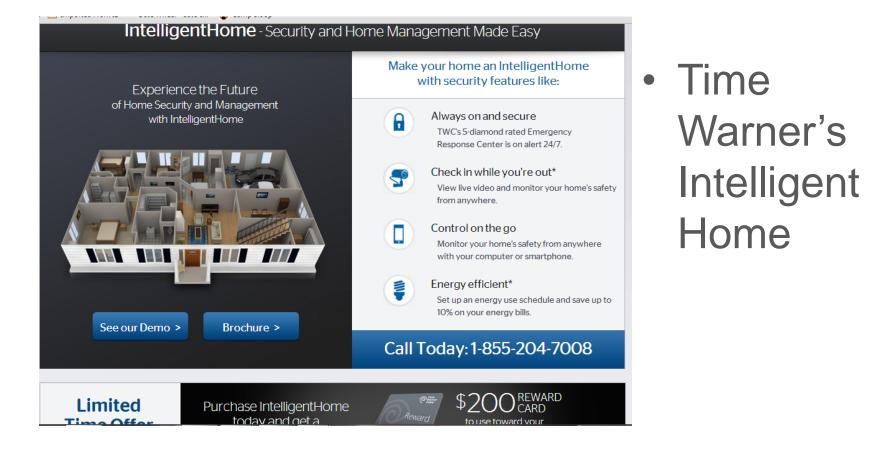
- AT&T launching Digital Life service: "Be at home wherever life takes you"
- Verizon home monitoring "starter kits" for \$89.99



AT&T Digital Life



### **Smart Home**





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### **Opportunities in IP Services**

- 5. Personal communications and storage
  - Converged personal communications
    - Skype + Microsoft Outlook
  - IP Commerce
  - Growing needs for bandwidth-intensive, secure and reliable IP communications
    - Cisco study: 74% of consumers comfortable engaging in remote health sessions



### **Opportunities in IP Services**

Verizon Security and Backup Plans

#### Security and Backup Plans

Help protect your computer from threats, backup your files and save big!

#### Multi-Device Security & Backup Bundle 50GB



Internet Security Multi-Device

Standalone Plans Backup & Sharing 10GB

Backup & Sharing 50GB

Backup & Sharing 150GB



#### Multi-Device Security & Backup Bundle 50GB

Unlimited Licenses/50GB Cloud Storage

Automatically backup, restore, and share 50 GB worth of digital content online. That's about 50,000 files, 12,500 pics, and 1,200 songs. Plus, protect all of your devices, including Android smartphones and tablets from online threats like viruses, spyware and malware with features such as antivirus, anti-spyware, firewall protection and more.

Limited Time Offer for qualifying customers: 50% Discount for 12 Months.\*

Just \$11.00/month

plus taxes

Order Now

\*Limited-time offer for new Multi-Device Security and Backup bundle customers only. Discount applied via bill credit for first 12 months; beginning month 13 standard rates apply. ©2014 Verizon.





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## Inspiration

### Now what?

### Instructions





### **Bundling Implementation Process**

- 1. Brainstorm and analyze
- 2. Design your bundle
- 3. Price the package
- 4. Technical considerations
- 5. Regulatory/legal sound check
- 6. Billing/Accounting considerations!
- 7. Paperwork check
- 8. Marketing & promotion plan
- 9. Sell!



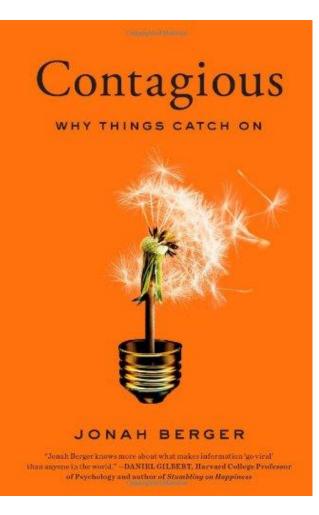
### **Crucial Sales Considerations**

- Customer retention is key
- Sell, and sell again
- Maintain frequent customer contact
- Provide extraordinary customer service
- Ensure service integrity
- Embrace complaints



### Your Best Sales Strategy

- <u>Word of mouth is your</u> best sales strategy
- How to make products go "viral"
- Essential factors that contribute to contagious ideas "STEPPS"





### STEPPS

- 1. Social currency we share things that make us look good
- 2. Triggers top of mind, tip of tongue
- 3. Emotion when we care, we share
- 4. Public built to show, built to grow
- 5. Practical news you can use
- 6. Stories information travels under the guise of idle chatter



### Examples

- Never Say No to Panda!
  - <u>http://www.youtube.com/</u> watch?v=X21mJh6j9i4
  - Campaign has created Internet meme
  - Relevant and entertaining





### Examples

- Blendtec
  - YouTube channel devoted to Blendtec videos
  - <u>http://www.youtube.com</u> /watch?v=3OmpnfL5PC w
  - Relevant and entertaining





### Examples

- Dove Campaign for Real Beauty
- <u>http://www.youtube.co</u> <u>m/watch?v=XpaOjMX</u> <u>yJGk</u>
- Emotional connection





# You got their attention, so what's next?



### Sell! But HOW?





### Sales 101

- One size does not fit all!
- Keep the brand message constant, but vary the tactics
- Use all distribution channels
- Engage total company
- When you're sick of hearing the ad/pitch, keep going



### Sales 101

- More than 40% of respondents get annoyed when employees upsell or crosssell them during customer service interactions
- Better response comes from proactive customer service calls
- 15% of customers actually want to hear about upsell offers, if done properly



### Sales – Best Practices

- 1. Make sure your customers can find you!
- 2. Never assume the stated problem is the real problem
  - LISTEN!
  - Listen to the meta-message
    - What is being said
    - What isn't being said





### Sales – Best Practices

- 3. Tailor the message to the customer
  - Demonstrate value
  - Different customers/different values
- 4. Help the customer discover the solution, don't beat them over the head with it
  - Pay close attention to timing and context



### Sales – Best Practices

- 5. Stop doing all the talking! (again LISTEN!)
  - Be genuine
  - Model customer behavior
- 6. Don't tell, instead probe
  - Be intentional
- 7. Know when to walk away
  - NEVER be negative







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## Thank you!

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