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The Remote QAM solution recognized by CSI Awards and Broadband Technology Report’s Diamond Technology Reviews

SANTA CLARA, CA – October 12, 2012 – Aurora Networks, Inc., the number one optical access solution provider for cable operators, today announced that its Node QAM technology has been recognized by Broadband Technology Report’s 2012 Diamond Technology Review program and Cable and Satellite International's CSI Awards as a top solution in the cable industry. Aurora Networks' Node QAM was named "the best cable or fibre contribution/distribution/transmission solution" by CSI and was the only product to score five Diamonds in this year's Diamond Reviews. In addition, Aurora Networks became the only company in the history of the program to have received two five Diamond ratings.

Aurora Network's Node QAM module is the industry's first distributed Edge QAM device. It is designed for installation in the cable TV node platform and connects to the headend or hub via a digital link. The Remote QAM takes the full spectrum, up to one GHz, and creates QAM-RF channels from the IP stream to the node. Operators have the option of generating a full gigahertz of QAM-RF output at the node or combining the node-generated channels with legacy headend-generated channels carried to the node via the traditional Hybrid Fiber-Coaxial (HFC) or Fiber Deep network. Aurora Networks' Node QAM provides the higher QAM densities and operational improvements that are being sought by the Converged Cable Access Platform (CCAP™) initiative.

What Aurora Networks Says
"Aurora Networks is driving the evolution of the node," said John Dahlquist, vice president of marketing, Aurora Networks. "Being recognized with these awards and chosen by highly respected industry leaders further validates the quality of our solutions that ensure operators are equipped to meet the growing demands of their subscribers."

The BTR Diamond Technology Reviews is a renowned industry program that was developed to recognize some of the top products and solutions available to the cable industry. Award entries were reviewed by an expert panel of judges from The Bowick Group, Boyer Broadband, Time Warner Cable, Bright House Networks, Rogers Cable, opXL, Mediacom, Buckeye Cable Systems, Comcast and Suddenlink Communications, and then ranked on a scale from 1.0-5.0 Diamonds.

Established in 2003 the CSI Awards are among the most prestigious and competitive technology awards in the industry, designed to recognize and reward innovation and excellence in the cable,

satellite, broadcast, IPTV, telco, internet/online/OTT video, mobile TV and associated sectors.

About Aurora Networks

As the number one optical access solution provider for cable operators, Aurora Networks is dedicated to the evolution of the broadband industry by providing optimized solutions that enable operators to accommodate ever-growing capacity needs. Along with its superior customer service and support, Aurora Networks is delivering innovation for the future. To learn more about Aurora Networks' core solutions, please call 408-235-7000 or visit www.aurora.com.

About Broadband Technology Report

Broadband Technology Report (BTR), celebrating its 8th anniversary in 2012, is the cable and telecom industry's premier source for product and technology news, and is the most successful and fastest growing online outlet for product information and deployments; reviews and rankings; technology expertise; and buyer/seller facilitation. BTR's portfolio includes online, print and video assets, all designed to help network operators build, upgrade and maintain high-performance communications networks. BTR, backed by more than 70 years of combined industry experience, delivers its email, online, print and video production services to more than 20,000 subscribers. If you are interested in subscribing, consult http://broadbandgear.net/subscribe/. BTR is owned by PennWell Corporation.

About the Diamond Technology Review program

The BTR Diamond Technology Reviews ("the Diamonds") is a renowned industry program now in its eighth year - that was developed to recognize some of the top products and solutions available to the cable industry as determined by a stellar panel of cable telecommunications engineering experts. Engineering executives from Bright House, Buckeye, Comcast, MediaComm, Rogers, Suddenlink, and Time Warner Cable were among the third-party judges for the 2012 Diamonds. Every year, BTR invites vendors to submit written information about products/solutions that have been released or upgraded since the previous year's SCTE Cable-Tec Expo (November 2011). Criteria used in the Diamonds rankings include, first and foremost, unique technology or application thereof, innovation, ease of use, efficiency, reliability and contribution to profitability.

The CSI Awards 2012

The CSI Awards are one of the most comprehensive and competitive technology awards anywhere in the world, designed to reward technical and product marketing excellence in the cable, satellite, terrestrial broadcasting, mobile and IPTV sectors. They are organised by CSI magazine and usually held at IBC, Europe's most important exhibition for the combined broadcast community. The CSI Awards are now in their tenth year, having been launched in 2003 and held for two years at Mediacast exhibition in London, then at IBC since 2005. They attract around 150 entries every year, gaining the endorsement of the industry's leading technology suppliers. The awards are judged independently of CSI by a panel of experts that includes practicing and former heads of engineering and operations from some of the world's most important network operators, well-respected consultants and senior industry analysts.