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Integrated solution enables cable operators to efficiently monitor power in architectures incorporating Virtual Hub Technology

ATLANTA – SCTE Cable-Tec Expo booth #1944 – October 22, 2013 – Aurora Networks, Inc., the number one optical access solution provider for cable operators, today announced it has combined capabilities with Alpha Technologies, worldwide power solutions leader. By integrating the monitoring of Alpha's power supply with Aurora Networks' node and Opti-Trace™ element management system (EMS), the companies provide the first solution to efficiently monitor and manage the power source in all-optical portions of the network. The solution will be on display at this year's SCTE Cable-Tec Expo.

Aurora Networks' VHub™ is the most widely deployed virtual hub in the industry, deployed in all-optical environments. VHub eliminates the real estate costs of a typical hub, reduces powering expenses, lowers capital expenses and speeds new revenue generation. As a result of close collaboration with Alpha, for the first time the challenges associated with monitoring the external power supply in non-coaxial portions of the network have been solved. Operators can now monitor, detect and proactively address any issues impacting the external power supply without resorting to clunky and expensive solutions.

Aurora Networks will have a live demonstration at its booth, #1944, in addition to a demonstration at Alpha's booth, #854. Leading experts from Aurora Networks will be on site to discuss industry trends and answer questions on solutions and technologies.

What Aurora Networks Says

"Virtual hubs are a highly-useful tool for cable operators in today's network architectures," said John Dahlquist, vice president of marketing, Aurora Networks. "By combining our expertise with the dominant supplier of external power supplies for this technology, Alpha, we have simply taken another step in helping our customers to prepare their networks for today and the future evolution to broadband."

What Alpha Technologies Says

"Power supply monitoring is essential to network performance given the demand for high-quality, high-reliability networks," said Rob Anderson, senior director of product management, Alpha Technologies. "Through the combined efforts of Aurora Networks and Alpha, operators are now able to efficiently and cost-effectively monitor power supplies in today's evolving fiber-rich cable networks."

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 Alpha Technologies

Alpha Technologies Inc., a member of The Alpha Group, provides the communications industry with the most reliable, technologically advanced and cost-effective powering solutions available. Alpha offers innovative and custom-configured powering solutions designed to meet the complex demands of today's power grid, built to support future expansion and provide unlimited opportunity. Widely used in cable television, communications and data networks worldwide, Alpha products have earned a reputation for reliability and performance. Alpha provides a full line of power products including: standby, non-standby and uninterruptible power supplies, surge suppressors, enclosures, batteries and powering accessories.

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