

# Melita Plc Deploys Harris Stratex Networks Technology for New National 3G Mobile Network

# Harris Stratex NetBoss XT® network service assurance solutions and Eclipse™ radios leveraged for network buildout in Malta

**RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. – December 16, 2009** – Harris Stratex Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: HSTX), a leading provider of wireless solutions that enable the evolution of next-generation fixed and mobile broadband networks, today announced that its NetBoss XT® resource management solution is managing the newly-deployed 3G mobile network of Melita Plc, a leading provider of telephony, mobile, Internet and television services across Malta and Gozo. As part of its 3G network buildout, Melita also installed Harris Stratex Eclipse<sup>™</sup> radios for IP connectivity. Melita selected NetBoss XT and Eclipse technologies to assure optimal quality of service for customers as services are deployed and coverage is extended in its new 3G network.

The project, valued in excess of \$1 million (USD), enables Melita to deliver the highest levels of service quality to more than 100,000 homes and businesses across Malta. NetBoss XT was chosen for this network management project based on its low cost of ownership, including installation and maintenance, and extensive automation features. The Eclipse 10 Megabit/second radios were selected because Eclipse provides the very high reliability and flexibility required in a state-of-the-art network that relies on IP-based services.

"Melita has rapidly deployed its new 3G network, and the NetBoss XT and Eclipse solutions will assist us to continually improve the service level to our growing customer base," said Simon Montanaro, chief technology officer, Melita. "Harris Stratex is providing us with an industry-leading solution and pacesetting technology, along with excellent service and support."

"Melita has impressively evolved from a very successful cable and broadband supplier to a leader in 3G network development," said Michael Pangia, Harris Stratex senior vice president and chief sales officer. "We worked closely with them to deploy NetBoss XT and Eclipse solutions which helped them realize the full cost and performance benefits of our technology."

NetBoss XT delivers a comprehensive network view, providing detailed information rapidly so network operators can manage resources efficiently. Designed for easy deployment, NetBoss XT allows users to gather data quickly from multiple sources, including traditional telecommunications networks, radios, and other equipment. Using the NetBoss XT product, Melita can consolidate real-time network reports from devices throughout their network into a single central database, reducing complexity, lowering cost and optimizing productivity.

Melita and Harris Stratex also installed Martin OASIS, CHR Solutions' asset management software solution. CHR Solutions is a comprehensive, single-source provider of professional business services and software solutions to a variety of industries, including telecommunications, energy, finance, information technology, and emerging technology clients.

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# About Harris Stratex Networks, Inc.

Harris Stratex Networks, Inc. is a leading provider of wireless solutions that enable the evolution of next-generation fixed and mobile broadband networks. The company offers reliable, flexible and scalable wireless network solutions, backed by comprehensive professional services and support. Harris Stratex Networks serves all global markets, including mobile network operators, public safety agencies, private network operators, utility and transportation companies, government agencies and broadcasters. Customers in more than 135 countries depend on Harris Stratex Networks to build, expand and upgrade their voice, data and video solutions. Harris Stratex Networks is recognized around the world for innovative, best-in-class wireless networking solutions and services. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.harrisstratex.com/">http://www.harrisstratex.com/</a>.

# About Melita Plc

Melita PIc is a joint venture between <u>GMT Communications Partners</u>, <u>MC Venture Partners</u>, Gee Five Ltd. (which is wholly owned by the locally based <u>Gasan Group</u> Ltd. and Blackrock Communications.

Melita Plc launched its cable television services in June 1992 providing home entertainment to thousands of homes across Malta and Gozo. Today Melita provides its television services to over 100,000 homes.

Melita is Malta's no. 1 broadband provider with 53% of internet users preferring a cable connection (Source: MCA) and 52% of internet users using Melita's cable internet.

Since November 2006, Melita launched a fixed-line telephony service, capturing approximately 25% of the fixed telephony market to date.

In February 2009, Melita launched its 3G only mobile service with nationwide coverage, attracting 25,000 new mobile subscribers in the first six months.

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