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6WIND SOFTWARE EMPOWERS IP-OVER-POWER LINE FOR THE HOME IN EU-BACKED 6POWER PROJECT

Paris, December 22, 2004 – 6WIND (www.6wind.com), a pioneer in advanced IP networking software technologies, announced today, the latest cutting edge innovation of its 6WINDGate™ software in empowering new generation broadband access devices to enable IP-over-Power Line Communications (PLC), under European project, 6POWER.

6POWER's broadband networking device was timely delivered within a month, thanks to the easy integration of 6WINDGate™ software's rich in-built IP-agnostic (IPv4 and IPv6) features, added to an unmatched open architecture, that facilitated the integration of new modules optimized for PLC support. These modules included a PLC-specific driver, DHCPv6 (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol version 6) used for IPv6 Prefix Delegation, coupled with a radius authentication trigger. This new generation broadband access device which combines the benefits of new PLC hardware technology with those of IPv6 to enable high bandwidth for end-to-end communications, is particularly geared to new user services in the home, such as video-on-demand, voice-over-IP and peer-to-peer applications.

"6WIND's patented and fully integrated IPv4/IPv6 technology has been a key element in achieving 6POWER's main objective of exploring the native support and deployment of IPv6, QoS and other advanced services over PLC network, ensuring affordable high speed broadband access and fostering IPv6 implementation in Europe. It has also demonstrated its ability to quickly and easily integrate technologies and modules for flexible product differentiation," said Jordi Palet, Project Technical Coordinator of 6POWER, Consulintel CTO.

For more information on the 6POWER project: <http://www.6power.org/>

About 6WIND

6WIND is the undisputed leader and innovator of advanced IP-agnostic* networking software for OEM licensing. The company's flagship technology, 6WINDGate™, enables network equipment providers to significantly cut development time and costs, simplify network application integration and accelerate the go-to-market process of new generation multi-services and secure networking equipment. 6WINDGate-empowered devices are used worldwide in advanced dual Internet Protocol projects on mobility, WLAN, interoperability, and secure broadband access by major industrial corporations, ISPs and telecommunication operators, public services, state bodies and the academia.

6WIND was the first European company certified IPv6-ready by the global IPv6 Forum and is a European Information Society Technology 2004 award winner. A spin-off of Thales and contributor to IETF (Internet Engineering Task Force) on IP standardization and protocol definition, the company is headquartered in France with sales offices in Asia. <http://www.6wind.com>

*** Internet Protocol version agnostic, refers to the ability of 6WINDGate to support seamless networking on any IP infrastructure without favoring IPv4 or IPv6 as it was developed ground-up to support both protocols.**

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