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Thomson Launches New HD Satellite Set-Top Box for Residential IP Video Services

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Thomson's DSI705 Enables Operators to provide OTT Services and Multi-Room PVR

Paris (France), Dec. 14, 2009 – Thomson (Euronext 18453; NYSE: TMS), a worldwide leader of services to content creators, today announces the high volume production launch of the high-definition (HD) MPEG-4 DSI705, the satellite industry's first set-top-box (STB) capable of supporting advanced, IP-based video services over existing coaxial L-band delivery infrastructures.

"The content delivery landscape is changing dramatically as multi-room viewing becomes the next, crucial evolution of the PVR and consumers seek to supplement linear video with over-the-top IP content," said Georges Laplanche, Senior Vice President of the Connect Division at Thomson. *"The DSI705 allows satellite operators to compete in this increasingly competitive, IP-connected video world by seamlessly enabling IP migration over single wire technologies via simplified installation techniques."*

The latest introduction to Thomson's expanding line of 700 Series video set-top boxes and the first of its kind for satellite, the DSI705 is able to deliver IP signals over the same coaxial cable as traditional L-band video and low-noise block (LNB) control signalling, allowing it to connect and communicate directly with other IP-enabled satellite STBs within the home, without additional wires or network connections. This STB-to-STB networking is ideal for transferring content across devices or multi-room personal video recorder (PVR) viewing. Similarly, the DSI705 is capable of connecting to broadband home networks using an adaptor, enabling satellite subscribers to transfer IP video over-the-top (OTT) to the STB for viewing on their home TV.

Easy to set up and manage, the new DSI705 set-top enables satellite providers to overlay their existing HD services with advanced video networking features, all while leveraging existing wiring infrastructure and satellite equipment. Thomson's DSI705 provides operators with the ability to market new services and expand their residential presence using a compelling, networked service platform.

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