



Everstream Upgrades Its Network with Ekinops FlexRate™ Solutions

Paris, June 29th, 2022 – <u>Ekinops (Euronext Paris - FR0011466069 – EKI)</u>, a leading supplier of optical transport systems and access network solutions, is delivering its Ekinops360 optical transport solutions to Everstream, the premier provider of high-capacity, low-latency fiber connectivity solutions in the north-central and eastern regions of the United States.

Based in Cleveland, Ohio, Everstream operates an extensive 27,000 fiber-mile network stretching from Duluth, Minnesota all the way to Washington, DC. The network consists of more than 5,000 on-net locations with connectivity in 63 Tier 1 to Tier 4 data centers across its ten-state footprint, including key markets such as Milwaukee, Chicago, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Detroit and Philadelphia.

Everstream's exclusive focus on the enterprise market requires a robust, scalable and highly flexible transport network to deliver high-speed fiber services. To meet its requirements for high reliability, ease of operation and strong customer support, Everstream has turned to Ekinops and its Ekinops360 platform with FlexRateTM coherent transport. The solution facilitates increased transport capacity for fiber to the tower (FTTT) backhaul services in addition to enterprise transport applications. "From wireless backhaul services for 5G to enterprise cloud applications – the demand for bandwidth continues to rise," said **Chuck Girt, Everstream Chief Technology Officer**. "Capacity-building technologies such the Ekinops360 platform provide the scalability called for in Everstream's technology roadmap, enabling delivery of the high-bandwidth, low-latency connectivity solutions our customers require."

Ekinops is delivering its PM 200FRS02 FlexRate module with multi- reach capability from access to ultra-long haul along with a flexgrid ROADM-based optical line system to provide the optical layer flexibility necessary to reconfigure capacity rapidly based on customer demand. Ekinops' Celestis NMS network management system provides the monitoring and control functions and delivers rich, actionable intelligence about the state of the network that Everstream uses to manage all of its locations from its dual network operations centers.

"We are very pleased to be partnering with Everstream on such a robust network," says **Kevin Antill, Ekinops' group vice president of sales for North America**. "That they've built so quickly speaks volumes not just about the performance of Ekinops equipment, but also our ability to execute and deliver in response to customer requirements."

For more information about the Ekinops360 portfolio, please visit https://www.ekinops.com/solutions/optical-transport



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About EKINOPS

Ekinops is a leading provider of open, trusted and innovative network connectivity solutions to service providers around the world. Our programmable and highly scalable solutions enable the fast, flexible, and cost-effective deployment of new services for both high-speed, high-capacity optical transport as well as virtualization-enabled managed enterprise services.

Our product portfolio consists of three highly complementary product and service sets: EKINOPS₃60, OneAccess and Compose.

- EKINOPS360 provides optical transport solutions for metro, regional and long-distance networks with WDM for high-capacity point-to-point, ring, and optical mesh architectures, and OTN for improved bandwidth utilization and efficient multi-service aggregation.
- OneAccess offers a wide choice of physical and virtualized deployment options for Layer 2 and Layer
 3 access network functions.
- Compose supports service providers in making their networks software-defined with a variety of software management tools and services, including the scalable SD-WAN Xpress and SixSq Edgeto-Cloud solutions.

As service providers embrace SDN and NFV deployment models, Ekinops enables future-proofed deployment today, enabling operators to seamlessly migrate to an open, virtualized delivery model at a time of their choosing.

A global organization, Ekinops (EKI) - a public company traded on the Euronext Paris exchange operates on four continents.

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