



HP and Cingular Wireless Introduce First Global Mobile Broadband Notebook PC in U.S.

PALO ALTO, Calif., Dec. 11, 2006 – HP and Cingular Wireless today announced availability of the first notebook PC in the United States to feature built-in global mobile broadband capabilities.

The HP Compaq nc6400 Notebook PC with integrated Cingular Wireless UMTS/HSDPA-based technology allows business professionals to connect in more areas at broadband speeds to corporate networks, email and the Internet without being tied to a wireless hotspot.⁽¹⁾

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Customers can now enjoy the benefits of mobile broadband both in the United States – either with Cingular Wireless BroadbandConnect or high-speed EDGE services – and abroad in more than 115 countries in which there are UMTS or GPRS/EDGE networks available.⁽¹⁾ The HP Compaq nc6400 is the first notebook with a tri-band UMTS modem supporting data rates of up to 3.6 megabits per second in the United States and in many countries around the world.⁽²⁾

The notebook's design gives customers the flexibility to purchase the nc6400 and later upgrade to Cingular Wireless' 3G network by adding an HP Broadband Wireless Module.⁽³⁾

The nc6400 comes with integrated high-performance dual-antennas and Cingular Communication Manager to establish a convenient and reliable wireless connection via Cingular's 3G network.

HP and Cingular Wireless will jointly market the new business notebook.

"HP and Cingular Wireless are expanding the boundaries of mobile computing both within the U.S. and abroad with products like the HP Compaq nc6400 Notebook PC," said Carol Hess-Nickels, director, worldwide business notebook marketing, Personal Systems Group, HP. "By integrating our powerful and innovative computing products with Cingular Wireless' 3G network, we enable our mobile customers to stay connected in more places to the people and information that are most important to them."

HP and Cingular Wireless collaborated on the nc6400 to take advantage of Cingular's UMTS/HSDPA network, which is available currently in 145 major metropolitan areas including 65 of the top 100 largest cities in 33 states, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. This mobile broadband network offers average download speeds of 400-700 kilobits per second, with bursts to more than one megabit per second.⁽⁴⁾ UMTS/HSDPA is a global standard and natural 3G evolutionary path for GSM providers, with 142 UMTS networks and 72 HSDPA

networks currently available worldwide.

"The global capability that the Cingular and HP alliance provides to customers presents a considerable advantage to those who need access to important information, whether they are on the other side of town, across the country or halfway around the world," said Laura Johnson, senior director, enterprise solutions, Cingular Wireless. "The nc6400 Notebook PC with integrated HSDPA-based technology is the latest, powerful example of how the collaborative efforts of our two companies have resulted in the introduction of a world-class product that will keep customers better connected, more productive and increasingly competitive in the marketplace."

Wireless LAN⁽⁵⁾ and Bluetooth™ wireless technology complement the notebook's convenient mobile broadband technology. The thin and light nc6400 also features a 14.1-inch diagonal widescreen display, an optional HP Privacy Filter that helps ensure the screen is visible only to the user, powerful Intel® Core™ 2 Duo processors^(6,7) and support of 3D graphics to deliver the optimal balance of connectivity and performance.

The nc6400 is Microsoft Windows® Vista™ capable.⁽⁸⁾ Additionally, it features HP Professional Innovations, a suite of hardware features and software solutions that includes technologies such as integrated biometrics and digital accelerometers designed to enhance security, improve ease of use and help ensure reliability.

The nc6400 with integrated UMTA/HSDPA-based technology is the latest result of HP's alliance with Cingular Wireless. Most recently, HP and Cingular introduced the HP iPAQ hw6900 series Mobile Messenger with built-in GPS.

Availability and pricing⁽⁹⁾

The HP Compaq nc6400 Notebook PC with integrated Cingular Wireless BroadbandConnect is expected to be available in late December at a starting price of \$1,599. HP nc6400 customers can get monthly unlimited Cingular BroadbandConnect service for \$59.99. International plans also are available. A North American plan of 100 megabytes for \$109 per month provides for usage in Canada and Mexico, as well as unlimited domestic data. Cingular's global plan of 100 megabytes for \$139 a month covers data usage in more than two dozen countries worldwide, as well unlimited use in the United States.

More information on the HP Compaq nc6400 Notebook PC and HP's other mobility solutions is available in an online press kit at www.hp.com/go/Mobility2006.

About Cingular Wireless

Cingular Wireless is the largest wireless carrier in the United States, serving 58.7 million customers. Cingular, a joint venture between AT&T Inc. (NYSE:T) and BellSouth Corporation (NYSE:BLS), has the largest digital voice and data network in the nation – the ALLOVER™ network – and the largest mobile-to-mobile community of any national wireless carrier. Cingular is a leader in third-generation wireless technology. Its 3G network is the first widely available service in the world to use HSDPA (High Speed Downlink Packet Access) technology. Cingular is the only U.S. wireless carrier to offer Rollover®, the



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(1) High-speed access available within the Cingular Wireless network coverage area, which requires a separately purchased service plan. Use outside of the Cingular Wireless network is subject to roaming agreements. Check with Cingular Wireless for availability and coverage in your area.

(2) The HP Compaq nc6400 with integrated UMTS/HSDPA uses the Qualcomm MSM6280 chipset with support for 3.6 mbps performance modes and tri-band UMTS frequency bands.

(3) Sold separately or as an optional feature.

(4) Actual speed may vary.

(5) Wireless access point required and is not included. Availability of public wireless access points limited. Wireless Internet use requires separately purchased Internet service contract.

(6) Dual core is a new technology designed to improve performance of certain software products. Check with software provider to determine suitability. Not all customers or software applications will necessarily benefit from this technology.

(7) 64-bit computing on Intel architecture requires a computer system with a processor, chipset, BIOS, operating system, device drivers and applications enabled for Intel 64 architecture. Processors will not operate (including 32-bit operation) without an Intel 64 architecture-enabled BIOS. Performance will vary depending on your hardware and software configurations. See www.intel.com/info/em64t for more information.

(8) This system may require upgraded and/or separately purchased hardware, drivers and/or software to take full advantage of Windows Vista functionality.

(9) Estimated U.S. street prices. Actual prices may vary.

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