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XO Communications and NEC Unified Solutions Announce Interoperability Certification

Certification Ensures Interoperability of XO's Award-Winning SIP Solution with NEC's Leading Unified Communication Platforms for SMBs

HERNDON, VA and IRVING, TX – July 13, 2009 – XO Communications (OTCBB: XOHO) and NEC Unified Solutions, Inc. (NEC), a leading communications solutions integrator, today announced that NEC's UNIVERGE® SV8100 and UX5000 communication platforms have been certified to work with XO's award-winning Session Initiation Protocol trunking solution, [XO SIP](#).

Today, more than 15,000 businesses and more than 600,000 customer employees benefit from VoIP services offered by XO through its portfolio of converged IP services, which includes XO SIP. Launched in the spring of 2008, the UNIVERGE® SV8100 and UX5000 communications servers have experienced wide adoption and deployment by NEC's broad network of authorized dealers and their customers. The certification confirms that the [NEC SV8100](#) and [UX5000](#) communications servers and XO SIP work seamlessly together, providing businesses with confidence when using their powerful, feature-rich NEC systems with XO SIP to support locations nationwide.

"We're excited to work closely with NEC Unified Solutions and be able to certify its UNIVERGE SV8100 and UX5000 communication platforms," said Eric Hyman, director of managed services at XO Communications. "With the interoperability of XO SIP and these NEC's communications systems, businesses can more easily deploy and manage an end-to-end IP communications solution that leverages NEC's robust, feature-rich and scalable systems coupled with the nationwide reach, pricing simplicity and performance of the XO SIP service."

"As SMBs nationwide look to curb operating costs in today's economy, they should consider the powerful combination of XO SIP and NEC's UNIVERGE SV8100 and UX5000 communications servers," said Jay Krauser, general manager of core solutions and engineering, NEC. "We believe that together NEC and XO provide a clear migration path and business case for existing NEC customers, as well as a cost-effective replacement option for non-NEC users with strong return-on-investment potential."

XO SIP

XO SIP is a fully integrated solution designed to support the needs of businesses with the most demanding voice and data applications at single or multiple locations. XO SIP uses Session Initiation Protocol signaling and a native IP-based facility to manage all traffic between a customer's IP-PBX system, the XO IP network, and the Public Switched Telephone Network. The service provides greater efficiencies by eliminating the need for businesses to maintain multiple access facilities for voice and data services and eliminates

the need for bandwidth-consuming protocol conversions. XO SIP includes a broad range of bandwidth options to maintain optimal network performance and offers the following features:

- Dedicated Internet access with dynamic bandwidth allocation
- Unlimited local calling
- Unlimited site-to-site calling for multi-location customers with IP Flex, IP Flex with VPN and XO SIP locations
- Long distance calling with choice of calling plans
- Optional Voice Compression
- Online Feature Management through the XO Business Center

NEC UNIVERGE® SV8100 and UX5000

NEC's award-winning UNIVERGE SV8100 Communications Server is an ideal IP telephony solution for SMBs that wish to compete and grow their businesses over time. This robust, feature-rich server-based solution supports voice, video and wireless communications, is completely scalable and can be deployed in both branch and remote offices.

The UNIVERGE UX5000 is a comprehensive integrated solution for smaller businesses designed to meet the unique challenges of both business telephony applications and VoIP. This top-performance system supports pure peer-to-peer IP telephony connectivity and advanced networking.

More information on NEC can be found at:

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About XO Communications

XO Communications, a subsidiary of XO Holdings, Inc. (OTCBB: XOHO), is a leading nationwide provider of advanced communications services and solutions for businesses, enterprises, government, carriers and service providers. Its customers include more than half of the Fortune 500, in addition to leading cable companies, carriers, content providers and mobile network operators. Utilizing its unique combination of high-capacity nationwide and metro networks and broadband wireless capabilities, XO offers customers a broad range of managed voice, data and IP services with proven performance, scalability and value in more than 75 metropolitan markets across the United States. For more information, visit www.xo.com.

About NEC Unified Solutions

NEC Unified Solutions helps companies unify their business communications through innovative software, applications, development tools, and services. NEC offers a complete portfolio for unified communications, wireless, voice, data and managed services, as well as systems integration and application development. NEC Unified Solutions serves as the North American communications integration arm of global giant NEC Corporation for Fortune 1000, as well as small to mid-sized businesses in vertical markets such as hospitality, education, government, and healthcare. For more information, visit www.necunified.com.

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