Opportunity Analysis for xDSL Test Equipment Markets—A Future Perspective

Description: Economic Slowdown Curbs Spending on Test Equipment

The economic downturn that is gripping North America has forced many competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs) out of the xDSL market, dramatically reducing the pace of service deployment. As a result, industry participants are now intensely debating the market's future and questioning what actions are necessary in light of the slowing economy and weakening consumer confidence.

This Frost & Sullivan study endeavors to identify growth opportunities and recommend successful business strategies for the xDSL test equipment markets. By allowing industry participants to strategize based on company size, product type, manufacturer, and geographic region, this analysis provides users a valuable tool in navigating the future of the field.

Increasing Number of Contract Manufacturers Provide New Sales Opportunities

With a growing amount of customer premise equipment and central office equipment being manufactured in the Asia Pacific region, an increasing number of network equipment manufacturers are relocating to the area. The entrance of more Asian contract manufacturers is expected to drive the market. Presently, Taiwanese hardware manufacturers present valuable opportunities for functional xDSL test equipment.

"Due to excess capacity in the manufacturing plant, opportunities for test equipment vendors in 2001 are limited," says the study's author. "However, as xDSL deployment continues in 2002 and 2003, the demand for functional test equipment by contract manufacturers is likely to increase."

Tremendous Revenue Growth Projected for Latin American Markets

"Research indicates that xDSL subscriber growth in Latin America is expected to exceed 160 percent during the forecast period," says the author. Latin America accounted for a small portion of the total world revenues in 2000, but aggressive deployment in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and Mexico will provide important new revenue sources for test equipment manufacturers.

"The simplicity of acquiring residential services over existing copper lines and replacing traditional dial-up connections has made DSL an attractive option for upper-middle-class families," states the analyst. Automated test equipment participants are projected to see significant gains as incumbent telecommunications providers attempt to deploy service faster to meet demand. This study, which pinpoints areas of potential growth, will enable your company capitalize on a burgeoning marketplace.

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Market Participants 3Com Agilent Technologies Inc. Aware, Inc. Consultronics Ltd. Cornet Technology, Inc. DiscoveryCom/ Nokia Loopmaster DLS TestWorks Fluke Corp. GenRad, Inc. Harris Corp. Hekimian Merge Technologies, Inc. NHC Communications, Inc. Nitech

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