

## Vector Deploys Performance-Assured Ethernet Using Accedian

Leading provider delivers quality-assured, latency-optimized business services

**Montreal, Canada; January 20, 2010** – Accedian Networks™, the leading provider of Packet Performance Assurance™ solutions for telecom, cable and wireless communications providers, announced today that Vector Communications has selected and deployed the company's switch-free Ethernet solutions to deliver premium, fibre-based services to enterprises throughout Auckland, New Zealand. Complementing the VectorFibre legacy-free network, Accedian Networks' MetroNID® units enable fully assured Ethernet services with unrivalled performance and quality of service (QoS), allowing Vector to deliver mission-critical business interconnect, remote storage and Internet access.

Accedian Networks' unique Fast-Thru™ technology provides advanced networking and monitoring within microseconds, eliminating the delays switches and routers normally add to customer traffic. Installed directly at the customer premises, MetroNID units' Ethernet service creation features are enhanced by hardware-based traffic shaping, policy enforcement, switch-free aggregation and integrated monitoring capabilities.

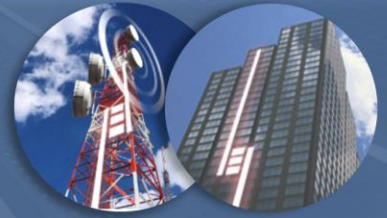
"Accedian solutions give us the capability to offer MEF-compliant, managed Layer 2 services with functionality not previously seen in the marketplace," explained, Maxine Elliott, General Manager of Vector Communications. "The adherence to Ethernet OAM standards allows us to monitor and report on traffic in-band, with service management features traditionally only found in a Layer 3 environment. This allows us to provide Ethernet services compliant with demanding Service Level Agreements (SLAs), while ensuring the best possible QoS end-to-end using the units' real-time traffic handling features. This opens up new markets for Vector's customers, who can now seamlessly migrate legacy TDM services and mobile backhaul applications to an IP infrastructure."

Ethernet services will be managed by Accedian's Vision EMS™, a cross-functional workflow automation and element management system (EMS) that allows new services to be installed and provisioned within minutes, permitting Vector Communications to quickly deliver and scale premium Ethernet services throughout New Zealand's major metro region.

"Vector Communications represents an emerging group of service providers focused on delivering premium packet-based services over fibre-rich networks," explained Patrick Ostiguy, President & CEO of Accedian Networks. "Enterprises and mobile applications require the bandwidth Ethernet offers, but can't tolerate inconsistent quality of service. Our solutions ensure peak performance while providing complete visibility end-to-end, ensuring Vector's customers will always benefit from the best Ethernet has to offer."

Accedian Networks' solutions are deployed by over 150 service providers worldwide. Maintaining Accedian's reputation for excellence in customer service, Vector Communications will be supported by Vicom, a certified Accedian solution distributor, and the largest independent test and measurement equipment and service provider serving New Zealand, Australia and the South West Pacific region.

*Video case studies of Accedian Networks' technology in high-performance Ethernet applications are available for on-demand viewing on [Accedian.com](http://Accedian.com). Latest product introductions and announcements are streamed regularly through the [EtherNEWS blog](http://EtherNEWS.blog), on [Twitter.com/accedian](https://twitter.com/accedian), and at [Accedian.com/facebook](http://Accedian.com/facebook).*



## About Accedian Networks

Accedian Networks™ is a leading provider of Packet Performance Assurance™ solutions that enable service providers to deliver carrier-grade, packet-based applications and services over wireless and wireline networks.

The company's solutions include high-performance, hardware-based demarcation units and packet performance nodes, integrated by highly automated network and performance management platforms. In-service monitoring, loopback testing, Ethernet service creation and Operations, Administration & Maintenance (OAM) features allow providers to deliver fully assured wireless backhaul, Ethernet wholesale and business services backed by demanding service level agreements (SLAs).

Accedian Networks is a privately held company headquartered in Montreal, Canada. For additional information, please visit [www.Accedian.com](http://www.Accedian.com).

## About Vector Communications

Vector Communications is the builder and operator of VectorFibre, the most accessible fibre-optic network in all major metro regions of New Zealand. Operating a legacy-free infrastructure, Vector Communications has unrivalled capacity and service flexibility for all types of business networking needs. Vector Communications is the fibre-optic network division of Vector, one of the largest owners and managers of multi-network infrastructure in New Zealand. [www.Vectorfibre.co.nz](http://www.Vectorfibre.co.nz)

## About Vicom

Vicom is the largest independent provider of telecommunications test and measurement instrumentation, equipment service and NATA accredited calibration within the Australian, New Zealand and South West Pacific region. [www.vicom.co.nz](http://www.vicom.co.nz)

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