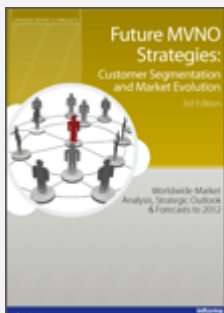


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**1. Elephant Talk To Tap Turkish Telecom Market – Turkey**  
August 19, 2008

Elephant Talk Communications, a telecom services provider and multimedia content distributor, plans to enter the Turkish market by providing telecom services, MVNO and Mobile Virtual Network Enabler (MVNE) solutions, including streaming and data services. The company, to be based in Istanbul, will also cater to the current customer base, who wants to expand into new and emerging markets.

Steven van der Velden, Chief Executive Officer of Elephant Talk, said: "Turkey's large population of 70 million, the country's liberalizing telecom market, and its bridge position between continents provides interesting opportunities for Elephant Talk. We expect Turkey to become one of the more important markets for Elephant Talk, considering ET's relatively early entry into the market, the sizeable mobile market and ET's advanced MVNE/MVNO propositions. This is a natural extension of ET's current presence in nine countries in continental Europe as well as our presence in Bahrain in the Middle East."

**2. OCN Partners With eAccess To Provide MVNO Internet Service – Japan**  
August 19, 2008

OCN, a Japanese ISP owned by NTT Communications, has entered into an agreement with eAccess, a broadband IP communication service company, to provide MVNO service for high-speed mobile internet in Japan. The OCN High-speed Mobile EM service will work on High-Speed Downlink Packet Access (HSDPA) protocol and offer a maximum downlink and uplink speed of 7.2 Mbps and 384 Kbps, respectively. NTT Communications will provide end-to-end solution, from registration to customer support for the new service and also rent data cards, thereby allowing customers to save installation costs.

**3. Mediatele Reports Significant Jump In Q2 Revenues – Poland**  
August 18, 2008

Mediatele, a fixed-line and MVNO service provider in Poland, declared its Q2 2008 results with total revenues of PLN 35.5 million (USD 15.6 million), a significant increase of 265% on year-on-year basis. Net profit of the company also witnessed significant increase from a loss of PLN 705,000 (USD 310,944) in Q2 2007 to a profit of PLN 2 million (USD 0.88 million) in Q2 2008. The company is also considering the acquisition of a Ukrainian operator, which is expected to close by Q4 2008. The financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

**4. Blyk Appoints MD For Dutch Operations – Netherlands**  
August 18, 2008

Blyk, an advertisement-funded youth MVNO, has appointed Eric Kip as Managing Director for its Dutch unit ahead of the launch of its MVNO services in the country. He will take the new role in September and is currently serving as the Planning Director at MediaCom for the EMEA region. Commenting on the announcement, Eric Kip said: "We are offering a unique mobile communication concept to young people. I am very excited to start with Blyk and introduce the company to the Dutch youth and advertisers."

Pekka Ala-Pietila, Co-Founder of Blyk, said: "Eric Kip has more than 20 years of experience in marketing. He has worked with many youth brands and has an excellent network with advertisers.

We are convinced Blyk will succeed in becoming the new Dutch communication channel for young people. Young people are interested in the Blyk proposition. They want to interact with brands they like in exchange for free communication. Our success in the UK, illustrated by robust member adoption, has proven Blyk is a youth media that works. We hope to replicate this success as we enter new countries. We are also working to attract local talent who share our enthusiasm and can help build Blyk into a significant youth media in other countries". Blyk, which launched its operations in September 2007 in the UK, recently announced its decision to expand into Germany, Spain and Belgium markets in 2009.

**5. Samart To Enter MVNO Market – Thailand, Malaysia**  
August 15, 2008

Samart Corporation has announced plans to introduce a new mobile handset brand this month, which will feature television functions and two SIM cards. The company expects to price the handset at more than Baht 10,000 (USD 299) a unit. Samart, with the introduction of the new brand, aims at targeting the premium market and offsetting the decline in sales of its low-margin i-Mobile brand.

Samart is also awaiting an MVNO license from National Telecommunications Commission for providing its services in Malaysia and Thailand. The company reported a decrease of 18% in consolidated revenues in Q2 2008 to Baht 3.66 billion (USD 109.3 million) compared to the same period last year. However, net profit saw an increase of 2% year-on-year to Baht 124 million (USD 3.7 million).

**6. Dialog Telecom Selects Alcatel-Lucent's Platform – Poland**

August 14, 2008

Dialog Telecom has selected Alcatel-Lucent's convergent payment solution for its MVNO services. Under the terms of the agreement, Alcatel-Lucent will deploy a service delivery platform, which includes 8985 Mobile Provisioning system and NGN switching subsystem and other equipment. The deployment will help Dialog expand its converged service offering with mobile prepaid and post-paid services. Further, Dialog, with this partnership, will be able to provide advanced mobile service offerings, reduce time to market new products and bundle them with other offerings to meet customer requirements.

Piotr Mazurkiewicz, President (Management Board) of Dialog Telecom, said: "Dialog wants to be a leader in service convergence among independent operators in Poland. As one of the leading brands in the Polish telecommunication market we are in good position to integrate our fixed, Internet and multimedia services with a mobile portfolio and create a winning quadruple-play service bundle. We chose Alcatel-Lucent because we are convinced that the MVNO capabilities of their solution provide the performance and flexibility required for creating attractive and reliable services for our customers. It was also very important that Alcatel-Lucent has the references of a leading integrator of telecommunication systems, and these skills are vital for the success of this project."

#### **7. Virgin Mobile Reports Loss Of Subscribers In Q2 '08 – USA**

August 14, 2008

Virgin Mobile USA registered a decrease in its subscriber base from 5.1 million in Q1 2008 to 4.99 million in Q2 2008, a reduction of 111,273 subscribers, owing to the economic slowdown in the country. The company's revenues in Q2 declined to USD 317.4 million as compared to USD 327.6 million in the same quarter of the previous year. Net income also reduced significantly from USD 7.1 million in Q2 2007 to USD 3.5 million. Further, ARPU of the company for the period also decreased to USD 19.32 as compared to USD 20.97 in Q2 2007.

#### **8. Turkey Mulls MVNO License By Nov '08 – Turkey**

August 13, 2008

According to Reuters, Telecommunications Board of Turkey is expected to grant MVNO licenses before November 2008. Tayfun Acarer, Chairman of the Telecommunications Board, in an interview stated that around 10 unnamed companies have shown interest in the MVNO license. He further added: "We have prepared a draft outlining the conditions regarding the award of MVNO licenses, and we offered it to the sector for review". He also stated that within six months fixed-line local telephone services will be open to competition, which is currently a monopoly of Turk Telekom TTKOM.IS.

#### **9. 012 Smile Communications Declares Q2 '08 Results – Israel**

August 13, 2008

012 Smile Communications, a communication service provider in Israel, has announced its results for three month period ended June 30, 2008. The company's core services revenues (excluding hubbing services revenues and impact of shekel-dollar exchange rate) reached NIS 264 million (USD 79 million) in Q2 2008, an increase of 10% as compared to Q2 2007. The net income for Q2 2008 reached NIS 5.6 million (USD 1.56 million) as compared to NIS 5.4 million (USD 1.5 million) in Q2 2007. Further, the company is expected to start MVNO operations shortly and has already applied for MVNO commercial license with the Ministry of Communications in Israel.

#### **10. Axiom Plans To Expand Beyond Middle East – UAE**

August 8, 2008

Axiom, the UAE-based mobile phone retailer and distributor, is planning to enter India's mobile retail sector in a big way. The company targets opening more than 2,000 mobile retail stores in India by the end of 2010. Further, the company plans to launch MVNO operations by acquiring licenses from regulators of countries in various geographies. According to Faisal Al Bannai, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Axiom, the telecom regulatory body of Jordan and Oman have already allowed an MVNO license to the company. The company is also understood to be in talks with various regulatory bodies and operators of different countries for the launch of its MVNO services.

#### **11. Virgin Media To Offer Cable Broadband And Mobile Dongles – UK**

August 7, 2008

Virgin Media has announced plans to offer 50Mbps broadband service in Q2 2008 and mobile broadband dongles by Q4 2008 in the UK. The company has entered into an agreement with T-Mobile, its MVNO backbone, for the reduction in wholesale voice and data rates. The company will also lower its mobile data tariffs accordingly.

Virgin Media registered a total income of GBP 990.5 million (USD 1.9 billion) in Q2 2008, lower by 0.4% as compared to that in Q2 2007. The company has registered fewer broadband signups in Q2 2008; however, consumers opting for fastest 20Mbps package have shown an increase of 82% on a year-on-year basis. As a result, the company is very optimistic about the demand for its 50Mbps offerings.

#### **12. Sprint Nextel Reports Fall In Q2 '08 Revenue – USA**

August 6, 2008

Sprint Nextel announced Q2 2008 net operating revenues of USD 9.05 billion as compared to USD 10.2 billion in Q2 2007, a decrease of 11% year-on-year. Meanwhile, ARPU of the company stood at USD 56 which was almost similar to that in Q1 2008. However, on year-on-year basis, ARPU of the company declined by 7%. Dan Hesse, Chief Executive Officer of Sprint Nextel, said: "Our company-wide retention efforts, which include Simply Everything plans, our Now Network campaign and the launch of the [Samsung] Instinct handset, are proving to be effective retention tools, particularly for high-value customers, and this is beginning to have positive impacts on churn and ARPU". The company highlighted that its Boost Unlimited MVNO has helped to increase the ARPU sequentially.