

## NexTone Press Release

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### **VOICE.SKY SELECTS NEXSTONE'S iVMS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR ADVANCED VoIP INTERCONNECTS**

*Partnership Enables VOICE.SKY to Expand Its Service Reach and Support Growing  
VoIP Deployments in the Middle East and Africa*

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**Dover, Delaware, and Gaithersburg, Maryland - May 23, 2005** - VOICE.SKY Communications, a facilities-based carrier with domestic and global points of presence in New York, London, Atlanta, Chicago, Miami, Los Angeles, Boston, Dallas, and Hong Kong, and NexTone Communications®, the leader in scalable session management of real-time IP services such as voice over IP (VoIP), today announced that VOICE.SKY has deployed NexTone's iView Management System (iVMS). NexTone's iVMS enables VOICE.SKY to more efficiently manage VoIP interconnects while supporting the growth of VoIP traffic on a global scale. Additionally VOICE.SKY is able to offer new revenue generating services and maintain profitability without sacrificing profit margins.

NexTone's iVMS is an intelligent network management tool that delivers increased visibility, end-to-end provisioning, troubleshooting, and analysis of a carrier's VoIP traffic in real-time; thereby simplify the provisioning and management of large-scale voice over IP (VoIP) and other real-time IP service deployments. NexTone's iVMS is the industry's first carrier-class platform to provide a common end-to-end view of real-time IP service performance through network interconnects. iVMS also enables the logical partitioning of NexTone's Multiprotocol Session Controller (MSC), allowing virtual MSCs to share the same physical infrastructure while maintaining dedicated control of quality of service (QoS), privileges, and other important VoIP characteristics.

iVMS' logical partitioning functionality enables VOICE.SKY to offer a new managed VoIP partition service, while mitigating the risks associated with VoIP network expansion for the company's global customer base. Through the use of iVMS, VOICE.SKY can now address the complex needs of companies looking to expand their VoIP services, but who do not wish to manage session controller equipment on their own.

"Having deployed NexTone's MSC platform last year for its advanced session routing capabilities, we knew the company could address VOICE.SKY's end-to-end needs. As a proven provider of VoIP interconnectivity, and the only session controller company that offers sophisticated traffic engineering capabilities for VoIP, NexTone's products help VOICE.SKY achieve greater productivity and reduce operational costs," said Saud Altawash, chief executive officer, VOICE.SKY. "Global connectivity is a priority for VOICE.SKY and with NexTone's products deployed in our network, we can interconnect with more carriers worldwide. NexTone's products also allow us to offer our global customers new, revenue-enhancing services while increasing our profitability and extending our service reach."

"The proliferation of VoIP deployments in the Middle East and Africa is a testament to the power and reach of VoIP technology. VOICE.SKY's VoIP solutions enable global carriers to quickly and easily deploy new services into this region at minimal cost," said Nicholas Turner, NexTone's general manager for Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. "VOICE.SKY is using the partitioning functionality of NexTone's iVMS to

enable new revenue-generating VoIP services for their carrier customers who could not enter these markets with traditional voice services."

As part of the partnership, VOICE.SKY will act as a NexTone preferred switch partitioning partner in the Middle East and Africa.

**About VOICE.SKY Communications**

VOICE.SKY Communications is a facilities-based carrier with domestic and global points of presence in New York, London, Atlanta, Chicago, Miami, Los Angeles, Boston, Dallas, and Hong Kong that serves carriers and resellers including PTTs, Wireless Operators, and Internet Service Providers. Through its carrier grade platform, and fully redundant MPLS network, VOICE.SKY delivers quality, capacity, and value to customers. To carriers, VOICE.SKY offers switch partitioning and wholesale domestic and international routes. To resellers, VOICE.SKY offers private label hosted applications such as calling card, operator services, pc2phone and broadband phone services, without incurring platform and operational expenses. With VOICE.SKY, customers can focus on growing their core business while leveraging VOICE.SKY's expertise. For more information, visit [www.voicesky.com](http://www.voicesky.com).

**About NexTone Communications**

NexTone Communications develops carrier-grade products that deliver scalable control of real-time IP services, such as voice over IP (VoIP). NexTone solutions enable carriers, service providers, and enterprises to securely, simply, and cost-effectively interconnect networks for end-to-end control and management of IP traffic. NexTone's real-time IP technology has been installed by more than 250 service providers worldwide to dramatically reduce capital expenditures and deliver ongoing operational efficiencies, such as reduced interconnect "turn-up" time and simplified network operations. For its ability to anticipate the growing need for multiprotocol session control and its impressive market traction, NexTone was awarded the 2004 Frost and Sullivan Market Penetration Leadership Award. The company is headquartered in Gaithersburg, Maryland USA with domestic and international sales offices worldwide. For more information, visit [www.nextone.com](http://www.nextone.com).