

T-Mobile, Alcatel-Lucent and Syniverse Round Out Keynote Agenda

LAS VEGAS, Sept. 17, 2013 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- [CCA's Annual Convention](#) opened today with a record crowd listening to a keynote address from Acting Chairwoman of the FCC, Mignon Clyburn

, who discussed the positive impact of the 700 MHz interoperability industry solution and the benefits it will bring to consumers and to advancing build-out of broadband. She also discussed the Agency's commitment to modernizing emergency communications through Text-to-911 initiatives and investments in wireless infrastructure and capabilities, including the Connect America Fund and Mobility Fund. After her remarks, Chairwoman Clyburn was recognized with the CCA Competitive Champion Award.

T-Mobile CTO Neville Ray followed the Chairwoman's remarks with a request to his colleagues to be "dangerously disruptive." He shared T-Mobile's Incentive Auction Band Plan and discussed the opportunity presented to competitive carriers by addressing consumer pain points. Michael Schabel, VP of Alcatel-Lucent's Wireless Division, and Jeff Gordon

, president, CEO of Syniverse, rounded out the keynote agenda with discussions around mobile broadband and the customer experience.

"Chairwoman Clyburn's remarks around the FCC's commitment to promoting choice and innovation in the wireless industry set the tone for this year's Annual Convention," said Steven K. Berry

, CCA's president and CEO. "Our keynote program and conference agenda, as well as the lively marketplace on our show floor, all highlight the enormous opportunity for the competitive wireless ecosystem and the pace of innovation being driven by our members."

CCA also announced the winners of its Annual Achievement Awards. Michael Prior, president & CEO, Atlantic Tele-Network, received the

Distinguished Leadership

Award;

Michael Kennedy

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, director of Business Development, Carolina West Wireless, received the **Outstanding Achievement Award;**

Howard Sears

, Wireless CEO, US major accounts at Alcatel-Lucent, received the

Neko Hamlett Associate Member of the Year Award; Outstanding Service Award

went to MTPCS, LLC dba Cellular One; and Range Networks received the

Industry Innovation Award.

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