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Corporate News

OpenLimit Holding AG: Product launch at E-world 2015

Power Plus Communications and OpenLimit present new Smart Meter Gateways with integrated communication module for broadband power line, mobile or Ethernet communication

(Berlin, Mannheim, February 3rd 2015) - At this year's E-world, OpenLimit and PPC will present the latest FNN-compliant Smart Meter Gateways with integrated telecommunications module for broadband power line, mobile or Ethernet communication. To this end, PPC is using the new BPL-generation G4 based on IEEE 1901, which has already proven very successful in the first installations. Many partners have also integrated the SMGWs into their solutions and will be demonstrating these at their stands at the trade fair in Essen. Next-generation SMGWs - live demonstration of the most technically diverse devices on the market.

Power Plus Communications AG (www.ppc-ag.de) and OpenLimit SignCubes AG (www.openlimit.com) will be presenting their latest Smart Meter Gateways (SMGW) for the first time. At E-world 2013 and 2014, the SMGW pioneers were already able to catch the attention of visitors with live demonstration of their advanced pilot devices. This year, the team will be showcasing the next generation of Smart Meter Gateways. What is special this time around is that three integrated telecommunication modules (TC modules) will be presented at once: broadband power line, M2M mobile communications (GPRS) and Ethernet for connection to existing DSL or fiber-optic networks. This means the partners can provide all the in-demand communication solutions from a single source. Needless to say, the latest SMGWs are being developed and manufactured in accordance with the principles of the BSI Protection Profile, Technical Guideline BSI TR-03109 and the FNN requirement specification ("Lastenheft" in German).

Successful pilot projects in the new German metering system architecture

The major success of the new BPL-generation G4 in recent months and now its availability as an integrated TC module in the SMGW, as well as the simultaneous provision of mobile communication SMGWs, is stimulating demand in the industry. The integration with all leading GWA (Gateway Administration) partners also proves the success of the partners' interoperability initiative. After the "Stadtwerke Düsseldorf" (municipal utility) became the first energy provider to test the highly secure Smart Meter Gateways from PPC and

OpenLimit in November 2013, the collaboration partners are experiencing significantly increased demand and enjoying a large number of collaborations since mid-2014. More and more energy providers have started their own pilot and evaluation projects in order to intensively test in practice the functionality, security as well as WAN communication solutions requirements defined in the BSI Protection Profile and the Technical Guideline.

SMGW from PPC and OpenLimit available to see at various partner stands

PPC and OpenLimit have been testing and developing their SMGW for many years in collaboration with partner companies, in order to guarantee embedding throughout the entire system from the meter right through to the backend and the Gateway Administration (GWA). This interoperability initiative and openness for partnership is bearing fruit, which means there will be SMGWs and live demos at many other stands at the E-world too.

Would you like to arrange an appointment with PPC and OpenLimit at E-world? To do so, just write an e-mail to Vanessa Schmidt: vanessa.schmidt@openlimit.com.

The team is looking forward to seeing you in Hall 2, Stand 2-424!

About Power Plus Communications

Power Plus Communications AG located in Mannheim, Germany, is a leading provider of Broadband Powerline communications systems (BPL) and BSI Protection Profile compliant Smart Meter Gateways for secure Smart Metering and Smart Grids. As a BPL technology pioneer, PPC has outstanding experience and expertise in the field of energy and telecommunications. The Smart Meter Gateway developed in partnership with security specialist OpenLimit SignCubes AG, offers the utmost in data protection and data security within the field of smart metering.

Together with leading European distribution grid operators and energy providers, PPC has already upgraded electricity grids (supplying more than 500,000 households) to include BPL. In particular, BPL's robustness, first availability at the meter and data transfer performance via the electricity grid make it an ideal communication platform for the rollout of the BSI-compliant metering systems in Germany. PPC also offers white label and OEM solutions for system integrators and partners.

About OpenLimit

OpenLimit stands for the secure electronic handshake. With our enabling technologies, we enable people and machines around the world to communicate in ways that are secure, verifiable and identifiable. We develop enabling technologies and products in the following areas: legally secure signature methods, digital long-term archiving, secure data transfer and digital identities. Our solutions are an integral component of products from leading manufacturers of IT applications and can be found in businesses, authorities, institutions and private households. To realize our mission of a secure electronic handshake, we enter into targeted strategic development and distribution partnerships.

Publicly traded OpenLimit Holding AG (symbol: 05H) as well as an operating subsidiary are located in Baar, Switzerland. Another subsidiary is located in Berlin, Germany. The group of companies employs more than 60 highly qualified people.

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