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## 20 Most Promising Wireless Solution Providers - 2017

ireless technology has long since become the norm for enterprise networks, underpinning the promise of reliable and stable connectivity and the much-needed flexibility. Constantly evolving, wireless innovators usher newer solutions into the arena, every now and then, to help enterprises improve business process performance, in a cost-effective fashion.

Many businesses today leverage some form of wireless technology to experience high-end connectivity, enhance functionalities of mission-critical applications, and make informed decisions in real-time. Teleconferencing is witnessing newer levels of efficiency with smartphones and tablets operating on lightning-fast 4G LTE access points to account for seamless enterprise collaboration. IoT printers that can print documents from any connected device on the same network have unleashed the power of wireless networks to create an ecosystem that is integrated, intelligent, and intuitive. Wireless networks also allow enterprises to capitalize on the burgeoning mobility by facilitating

BYOD, which in turn brings out increased productivity and flexibility.

There are various wireless solution providers offering manifold services and choosing the best is essential to drive success. With that in mind, in the last few months a distinguished panel comprising of CEOs, CIOs, VCs, and analysts, along with the CIOReview editorial board has reviewed the top companies in the wireless solutions domain and shortlisted the ones that are at the forefront of tackling industry challenges.

The companies compiled in this issue have exhibited extensive business process knowledge, along with innovative strategies in the wireless technology arena. The listing provides a look into how these solutions work in the real world so that organizations can gain a comprehensive understanding of what technologies are available and how they add value to the wireless technology domain.

We present to you CIOReview's 20 Most Promising Wireless Solution Providers 2017.



### Company:

Pioneer Communications Group

#### Key Person:

Ted Ness, Principal, Brant Pierce, Co-owner, Ron Rippley, Operations Manager Description: Delivers trusted service and quality wireless solutions, putting customer safety above everything

#### Website:

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# Pioneer Communications Group Committed to Customers and Safety

ased in the Pacific Northwest, Communications Pioneer Group is comprised of a team of experienced project and construction managers, certified technicians, electricians, and designers that are committed to providing trustworthy and reliable service in a timely manner. In 1991, Nathan Pierce and his associates began to cultivate longterm connections with clients to assist them in meeting their management and construction goals. As a small business of 30-40 employees, the group focused on delivering trusted service and quality solutions. Pioneer Communications Group remains committed to the values on which the company was founded as they continue to build and maintain strong relationships with their customers.

For more than 20 years, Pioneer Communications Group has been providing project management, technical, and specialty construction services to wireless communication networks in the Pacific Northwest and Rocky Mountain regions. The company helps design, build, and create working solutions for voice and data transport. "We know, challenges will arise, and when they do, we view it as an opportunity to provide solutions to our clients in unique circumstances. Our goal has always been to exceed our clients' expectations in quality, speed, and professionalism,"

speed, and professionalism, states Ted Ness, Principal, Pioneer Communications Group.

The team has met this goal by placing an emphasis on the safety of their employees and best practices at project sites. They provide regular safety training Ted Ness and job site-specific training for their employees, ensuring that their crews become a part of a client's overall safety solution. Additionally, they aggressively look for potential problems in an effort to live up to their "no accidents" goal. To this end, Pioneer Communications Group has teamed up with the Northwest Independent Contractors Association (NICA), a leading Washington state safety training organization, to ensure a company-wide safety culture.

With their turn-key experience in the lifecycle of in-building cellular reinforcement projects. Pioneer Communications Group helps its clients solve coverage gaps that reduce the efficiency of wireless communications and can potentially place life or property at risk. The use of an in-building Distributed Antenna System (DAS) extends the availability of external wireless service indoors and is ideal for safety and security. Many cities are implementing ordinances that require reliable inbuilding wireless communications for public safety first responders in buildings exceeding height or size thresholds. Large venues, corporate headquarters, utilities, and oil and gas companies are seeking wireless DAS technologies and small cell technology that enables communications in hard-to-reach areas of generating stations and refineries.

Large-scale projects sometimes pose the difficult challenge of balancing capital-conscious infrastructure with life safety. Because of its extensive experience, Pioneer Communications Group is well positioned to assist customers with critical design considerations for inbuilding DAS systems. Ness explains, "Our experts work with clients to evaluate the design considerations of how inbuilding wireless systems can reduce the need for other communication systems within a facility—wireless, wired, video, security, and more."

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Working with large companies to evaluate the best balance of cost and performance for communications. Pioneer Communications Group offers a variety of solutions. Their highly skilled technicians provide services such as wireless networking, communications transport, microwave solutions, and fiber solutions. They also have an experienced group of project managers and construction managers, as well as OSHA certified crews, fully equipped to manage projects from the ground up, through lease review to site completion. With their diverse team of experts and variety of service offerings, Pioneer Communications Group has made a name for themselves as more than a wireless contracting company; they are a solutionoriented partner with a focus on safety.