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# How much connectivity do your hotel guests need and where will you get it?

Something strange is happening: Today's hotels and resorts are waking up to find themselves in the wireless business. And with guests demanding ever-larger doses of high-bandwidth streaming content on a growing number of personal devices, it's a big business indeed.

#### So what's a savvy hotelier to do?

Find the most efficient, cost-effective method for meeting the wireless needs of current and future guests, of course. Let's take a look at the numbers:



#### Does wireless service really matter in hotels? You bet it does.



90% of hotel IT managers agree that Wi-Fi is a "must have" for customers



68% of hotels already offer free Wi-Fi in common areas



Over 50% of all guest room technology spending in 2015 will focus on upgrading bandwidth



73% of hoteliers assert that free Wi-Fi helps increase bookings

The hospitality industry has identified three major areas where improved wireless connectivity leads to better guest experiences and new monetization opportunities for hotel owners and operators:

**1**. Guest services with personalized promotions and awards, virtual check-in/checkout, and social media access and feedback

2. Back office with building automation for improved security, safety, and response management; enhanced reservation management; and productivity tools for housekeepers

3. In-room services with keyless entry, IP phones, virtual concierge systems, and point-of-sale minibars

#### A New Revenue Stream

Some hotels are offering multiple tiers of connectivity free low-bandwidth access, plus high-bandwidth access for a fee



Getting bandwidth to the hotel is only half the battle. Since a network is only as strong as its weakest choke point, hotels need more than just fiber to the building. They need fiber to the room.

As opposed to copper networks, passive optical local area networks (POLs) bring fiber to the room (meaning all-fiber connections from the core to the network's edge) and provide virtually unlimited bandwidth to satisfy all of a hotel's future wireless needs, at a fraction of the cost of traditional bandwidth upgrades.



And when hotels converge multiple wireless technologies and applications (like Wi-Fi, DAS, building automation, IPTV, etc.) on the same all-fiber backbone, they get:









"Wire It Once" Cost Savings when adding new services and components - without ever touching the cables



**Massive Space Savings** in the IT closet, which means lower power and cooling costs, plus extra guest space

Network Stability and Flexibility to accommodate any number of services and bands



#### About Corning<sup>®</sup> ONE<sup>™</sup> Wireless Platform

The Corning ONE wireless platform is our answer to fiber to the room, a fiber platform designed to handle all core IP services and multiple applications, including passive optical LAN, cellular DAS, Public Safety, AV, security, and more. Corning ONE wireless platform offers a world-class connectivity experience for hotels, resorts, and convention centers in need of high-speed, high-capacity wireless on their properties. Visit www.corning.com to learn more.

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