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North Country HealthCare Selects Mushroom Networks for High-Performance, Reliable Mobile Internet Connectivity

SD-WAN Innovator and Healthcare Provider Join Forces to Serve Rural Arizona Counties via a Mobile Medical Clinic

SAN DIEGO – May 18, 2017 – Mushroom Networks, an innovator in Broadband-Bonding™ and [Software-Defined Wide Area Networking](#) (SD-WAN) platforms, today announced that North Country HealthCare has selected Mushroom Networks' Truffle and Portabella platforms to deliver mobile Internet connectivity to its mobile medical clinic, nicknamed the "Big Orange Bus." By supplying this mobile medical platform with reliable, high-performance Internet, North Country HealthCare is able to serve its rural constituency by bringing critical healthcare and dental services directly to their often difficult-to-reach areas.

"Prior to working with Mushroom Networks, we were very limited in the connectivity services we could deliver to our mobile medical unit," said Joe Connell, North Country's IT manager. "In fact, they often had to drive around their remote location just to find that extra 'bar' for even basic email connectivity. With Mushroom Networks' Truffle and Portabella platforms, our mobile physicians and nurses have access to all of the information sources they need to serve the patient in front of them in these rural locations."

North Country HealthCare is a community healthcare center that provides general medical and dental services primarily to under-served communities in 14 locations across northern Arizona. Their mobile medical unit is essentially a medical office on wheels in the form of a modified recreational vehicle (RV). This innovative platform has a regular route providing immunizations, treatment for sudden illness, general physicals, and more to schools and other communities throughout the Flagstaff area. In addition to our services in the schools, the mobile medical unit makes weekly visits to a shelter in Flagstaff to provide basic medical care to the local homeless population.

Prior to using Mushroom Networks SD-WAN technology, North Country relied on a single SIM card to connect the mobile medical unit to its data center. This meant spotty connections and an inability to access the network for electronic records and other applications. After struggling with various solutions, North Country came to Mushroom Networks, which placed its Portabella platform on the mobile medical unit and connected the system directly to the Truffle platform back at headquarters. This enabled staff to easily access their VoIP mailboxes, network file shares, scanning documentation, and electronic medical records as if they were back at the office.

The Portabella is a 3G / 4G / LTE bonding device with Broadband Bonding technology that provides cost-effective portable Internet access for mobile and portable deployments. Portabella provides uplink and downlink bonding for any protocol via bonding together multiple cellular wireless Internet access cards for increased performance and reliability. Depending on the model, Portabella aggregates the capacity of as many as two, four, or eight cellular data modems (external or embedded

depending on the model) providing increased access bandwidth in both uplink and downlink directions and application optimization for a variety of real-time and non-real-time applications.

Cahit Akin, CEO of Mushroom Networks, said, "Portabella's ability to adjust its bonding algorithms adaptively was tailor made for applications like their advance mobile medical unit. We look forward to continue working with North Country HealthCare as mobility continues to evolve with technologies like 5G and others."

To learn more about Mushroom Networks' solutions, visit <https://www.mushroomnetworks.com>

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About Mushroom Networks

Mushroom Networks, Inc., is a privately held company based in San Diego, CA, providing patent pending Broadband Bonding solutions to a range of Internet connection applications. The company's flagship product line serves SMBs, enterprises, multi-tenant buildings, and broadband service providers and bonds dissimilar broadband access technologies forming a single highly reliable broadband pipe that can easily scale based on needs. Mushroom Networks was the winner of the 2015 Most Innovative Product award by CONNECT, finalist for the coveted 2012 San Diego Business Journal Innovation Award, winner of the XCHANGE Tech Innovators Xcellence Award, and winner of the 2008 CONNECT® 'Most Innovative New Product' award, Network World's "top technology trend of 2008" award. For more information, please visit <https://www.mushroomnetworks.com> or call (858) 366-9255.

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