

First Apple iOS App Available on Iridium

Iridium Communications announces that its Iridium AxxessPoint Mail & Web App is now available for Apple operating system (iOS) devices. This development makes it possible for devices such as the iPhone, iPad and iPod Touch to connect over the world's furthest reaching communications network, Iridium.

The company launched the Iridium AxxessPoint Wi-Fi hotspot with BlackBerry support, as well as with apps for Mac and Windows laptops, in September 2011. With today's app rollout, Iridium continues to expand the universe of smartphones that can now communicate on 90 percent of the planet not covered by traditional wireless networks.

"Iridium AxxessPoint Mail & Web now provides a reliable email and Internet connection anywhere in the world for the more than 250 million Apple iOS device users," said Joel Thompson, vice president, product management, Iridium. "This first-of-its-kind capability embodies our Iridium ForceSM vision - Iridium's commitment to extending handheld connectivity in places never before possible and through devices customers already own. More and more we see enterprise, government and NGO organizations requiring connectivity for their employees regardless of their location on the planet."

The Iridium AxxessPoint Wi-Fi hotspot accessory is a portable and lightweight modem that easily connects devices to Iridium using an Iridium Extreme or Iridium 9555 satellite phone. It is available through the global Iridium partner ecosystem with a suggested retail price of less than \$200 (USD). The free Iridium AxxessPoint Mail & Web App for Apple devices is available on Apple's iTunes store.

Iridium AxxessPoint Mail & Web features built-in firewall protection to block extraneous Internet traffic providing data speeds up to five times faster for web browsing and 15 times faster for email. This optimization software allows for offline viewing and composition of emails. It also enables configuration and filtering of large data files and attachments, as well as mid-file restart of attachment transfers if required.

Iridium AxxessPoint Mail & Web is part of the Iridium AxxessPoint suite of products. This Wi-Fi suite includes the Iridium AxxessPoint Wi-Fi hotspot accessory and the Iridium AxxessPoint Connect downloadable application. Iridium AxxessPoint Connect turns any Windows laptop into a global Wi-Fi hotspot when connected to an Iridium Extreme or Iridium 9555 satellite phone.

For more information, visit www.iridium.com [1].

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