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Business Models for Vehicle Infrastructure Integration (VII)

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Key Challenges for VII Business Models

- Numerous business models for numerous stakeholders
 - VII environment requires that business models recognize the interdependency with other models
 - Relationship of commercial and government interests, which are different
 - "Chicken and egg" deployment issue
 - Most models are in early development and are not yet solidified



US DOT's VII Initiative - Overview

- VII: 2-way, vehicle-to-vehicle and vehicle-to-roadside communication to support a new suite of services for improved safety, mobility, and commercial applications
- Within overall telematics and Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) environment, the US Department of Transportation is investigating VII potential
 - Will vehicle and infrastructure costs be warranted
 - Can deployment be synchronized appropriately
- What is government role in achieving safety and mobility (funding? deployment?)



Vehicle to Roadside Dedicated Short Range Communication (DSRC)

- Licensed and Federal Communications
 Commission (FCC) controlled frequency 5.9GHz
 - Vehicle speeds up to 160 kph
 - o 300m range
 - o Low latency
 - High data rate
 - o 8 levels of application priority
 - o Standards under development

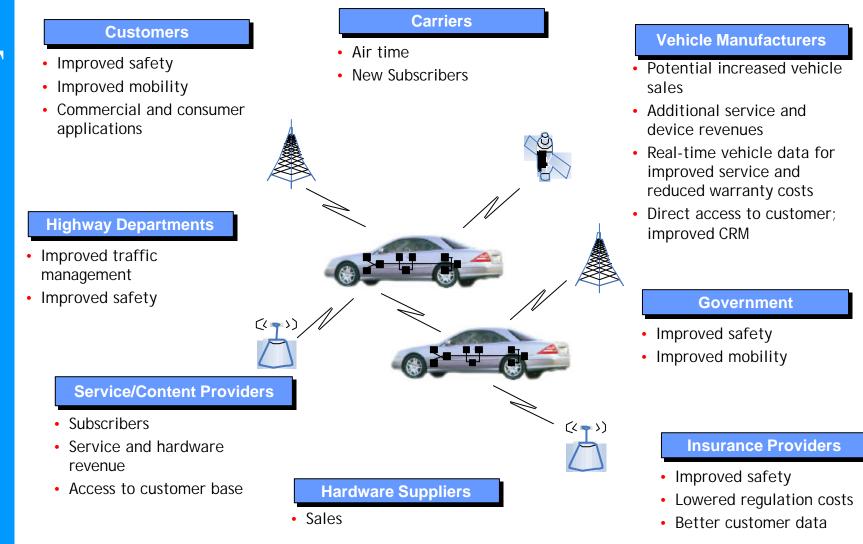


VII Example Services

- Safety based on cooperative vehicle-to-vehicle and vehicle-to-roadway interaction
 - Reduced intersection collisions
 - Reduced lane and road departure
 - Warnings for road condition, accidents, curves, work zones
- Mobility improvement from shared information
 - Emergency management
 - Tailored traveler information (travel time, weather, routing)
 - Signal timing and other traffic management
 - Transit coordination
- Consumer convenience, entertainment, and business
 - Parking location assistance
 - Remote diagnostics
 - Electronic payment, toll collection, electronic clearance
 - Entertainment



Stakeholder Opportunities



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Issues to be Considered by All Stakeholders

o Chicken and egg

- Implementation (at once, gradual, highest priority locations, certain kinds of vehicles?)
- o Who pays for each component, especially infrastructure?
- Operations and maintenance (who pays, who operates and maintains, who assures quality?)
- What is long-term stability and existence?
- Security responsibilities throughout system
- o Unplanned alternative technology disruption
- Regulation, privacy, liability
- Customer adoption rates



Business Model Concepts That Must be Addressed

o Customer needs

- o Customer cost/benefits
- Synergies and dependencies with other stakeholders or systems
- o Partners (to produce, supply, deliver, sell)
- Competitors (direct and indirect)
- Income model (reduce costs, generate revenue, regulatory or legal statutes)



Business Model Concepts to be Addressed (continued)

• Cost structures

- Front-heavy costs and back-loaded revenue
- Concurrent cost and revenue
- Back-loaded investment
- Small initial investment and increased investment with adoption
- o Revenue structures
 - Up front revenue at installation with drop-off after
 - Slow and steady growth
 - Even revenue



Business Model Concepts to be Addressed (continued)

o Selling model

- o Other costs and risks
 - Legal
 - Development and delivery mechanisms
 - Security and liability
 - Internationalization
 - Current forces that will facilitate
 - Current forces that sill impede



Where Are We Now?

• Technology assessments are occurring now

- o Rules of the game are taking shape now
- o Stakeholders are talking with each other
- VII Consortium, a non-profit corporation formed November 2004
 - To evaluate deployment viability of national infrastructure and committed to making informed decisions about proceeding with VII
 - Open to all vehicle manufacturers
- o VII Coalition
 - US DOT, states, vehicle manufacturers



What Needs to be Done?

- Define clear vision that makes sense given value chain complexity and system component relationships
- o Make key decisions
- Build each business case
- o Define implementation roadmap
- Move from engineer and government focus to business focus: successful technology deployment depends on addressing customer and business issues