

## VOICE SMART NETWORKS HELPS ACCELERATE THE REBIRTH OF THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

Automotive Dealers Creating Competitive Advantages with New Technology

## LOS ANGELES/VENTURA/ORANGE COUNTY/SAN DIEGO —

January 31, 2014 — Voice Smart Networks, an industry leader in unified communications, announced today that the company has launched a program that is accelerating the growth of the automotive industry. The momentum in the financial markets has brought a few industries back to pre-recession levels, and with this recovery many automotive dealers are seeing the opportunity to secure a foothold in the marketplace. Voice Smart Networks has developed a unique program that is changing the way in which automotive dealers operate, increase employee productivity and bolster customer service.

The ultimate objectives of automotive dealerships are to deliver exceptional customer service and a great buying experience. Ultimately, the automotive dealer is fueled by the people who are running it and the technology supporting those key employees. Until recently, technology has played a minor role, but new functionality has changed the ways that customers interact with dealerships.

Voice Smart Networks has identified several technologies that make employees more productive and streamline operations. One example is the functionality offered by Automatic Call Distribution (ACD). ACD phone systems distribute incoming calls to a specific group of terminals that agents, salespeople, customer service, parts departments or administrative staff use. Routing incoming calls is the task of the ACD system. ACD systems are often found in offices that handle large volumes of incoming phone calls from callers who have a specific need (e.g., customer service representatives) at the earliest opportunity. This significantly reduces the amount of time that a customer has to wait onhold. Customers can connect with employees faster which drives customer service and satisfaction for all parties involved.

Another example is the functionality offered by the ever popular; "Find Me, Follow Me" feature. "Find Me" refers to the ability to receive incoming calls at any location. "Follow Me" refers to the ability to receive calls at any number of designated phones, whether ringing all at once, or in sequence. An example of this in action is when salespeople are walking around the lot showing cars to prospective buyers and suddenly a customer calls their desk phone. Historically, a salesperson would miss all of these calls and just return them whenever they walk back inside and sit down at their desk. Today's technology enables them to have that same call ring both their desk phone and their cell phone, at the exact same time. This means no more missed calls

and voicemails to return at the end of the day. Salespeople no longer have to waste time playing "phone tag" and can spend more time selling cars and increasing revenue.

Voice Smart Networks is a very experienced organization and has deployed and installed unified communications systems of all types over the past several years to various industries. There is a plethora of technology available, ranging from SIP, disaster recovery, cloud computing and more, but Voice Smart Networks is particularly skilled at finding technology that satisfies the needs of their customers. In fact, their success as a company is due largely to their ability to leverage technology to create competitive advantages for their customers.

Dealerships are in an extremely competitive marketplace and finding ways to streamline operations, keep the customer connected to salespeople and increase customer service levels are of the utmost importance to success. By working with a provider like Voice Smart Networks, dealerships can increase their productivity and give themselves a unique competitive advantage.

## ABOUT VOICE SMART NETWORKS

Founded in 1982, Voice Smart Networks is Southern California's leading data and voice company. The company's mission is to increase its customers' profitability, improve their productivity and give them a competitive advantage by implementing the right technology. Voice Smart Networks is the only provider that protects its customers from the two risks of technology - obsolescence and cost. As its customers' trusted technology advisor, Voice Smart Networks has earned the position as the market leader and its customers' business

through quality products and services.

As a premier member of Technology Assurance Group, Voice Smart Networks is able to fulfill all of its customers' technology needs. This means that the organization is the ultimate resource for business phone systems (VoIP and Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) provisioning), Managed IT Services, Network Security, Video Conferencing and Disaster Recovery.

Voice Smart Networks delivers future technology today! For more information, please visit please call 800-500-2696 or visit us at www.voicesmartnetworks.com.