



Consolidated Communications Upgrades Speeds to 365,000 Homes and Businesses throughout Northern New England

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Company on track to increase broadband speeds to 500,000 residents and small businesses this year

PORTLAND, Maine, Oct. 29, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- [Consolidated Communications](#), Inc., (NASDAQ: CNSL) today announced more than 365,000 residents and businesses across Northern New England now have faster broadband speeds as the Company works to upgrade 500,000 total customer locations this year.

"We made a commitment to increase broadband speeds throughout Northern New England and we're on track to complete these upgrades to 500,000 homes and small businesses by the end of 2018," said Bob Udell, president and chief executive officer of Consolidated Communications. "We're working hard to bring faster speeds and new products and services to Maine, Vermont and New Hampshire, and we're also making great strides to improve network reliability and stability."

Consolidated Communications has made delivering faster broadband speeds a top priority. Residents and small businesses across Northern New England will be able to get speeds two to three times faster than what was previously available. Additionally, consumers now have access to the latest, on-demand streaming content including: HBO Now[®], DIRECTV NowSM, and fuboTV. The company's [MyCCIAccount.com](#) center enables customers to place new orders and upgrade services online.

Businesses also are benefiting from new services, such as: Consolidated's [Distributed Denial of Service Mitigation](#) (DDoS), a solution that monitors, detects and mitigates the most complex DDoS attacks; [SD-WAN](#), a software-based network technology that provides a simplified management and automation of WAN connections; [BusinessOne](#), a high-speed data and voice solution designed for small and medium-sized businesses; [MPLS](#) (Multi-Protocol Label Switching) offering businesses fast, flexible, and secure data transmission for their WAN needs and [Cloud Peer Connect](#), direct, private access to major application service providers.

To find out if Consolidated Communications' services are available at your location, visit [consolidated.com](#) or call 1.844.YOUR.CCI (844.968.7224). Learn more at [www.consolidated.com/progress](#).

About Consolidated Communications

[Consolidated Communications](#) Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: CNSL) is a leading broadband and business communications provider serving consumers, businesses of all sizes, and wireless companies and carriers, across a 23-state service area. Leveraging its advanced fiber optic network spanning more than 36,000 fiber route miles, Consolidated Communications offers a wide range of communications solutions, including: data, voice, video, managed services, cloud computing and wireless backhaul. Headquartered in Mattoon, Ill., Consolidated Communications has been providing services in many of its markets for more than a century.

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