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DragonWave technology used in new Italian network

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DragonWave Inc. ([TSX:DWI](#)) has landed another international deal on the heels of its [Internet backhaul installation win in Nigeria](#).

The Ottawa-based company said Linkem Spa, one of Italy's largest wireless broadband service providers, will be using DragonWave's Horizon Compact radios in Linkem's new WiMAX network.

The deal is borne out of the fact that the Italian company recently acquired the rights of use for WiMAX frequencies for 13 regions, accounting for approximately 80 per cent of the Italian population, launching its network in October. Linkem also offers Wi-Fi services in 150 locations, serving 300 towns with a total of about 500,000 inhabitants, mainly in the northern part of the country.

DragonWave's technology will be deployed by SELEX Communications, the company noted.

"We are very pleased to have partnered with a premier systems integrator such as SELEX Communications and to have been selected by Linkem as the backhaul radio supplier for their mobile WiMAX network," said DragonWave CEO Peter Allen in a statement. "Our packet microwave technology has been validated extensively in some of the world's largest 4G (fourth-generation) networks. Our Horizon Compact solution will enable Linkem to roll out their nationwide network quickly and in future allow them to grow backhaul capacity in a very flexible and cost-efficient manner."

Linkem's mobile WiMAX network is scheduled for completion in 2013.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

