Shifting WAN Paradigms

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New Edge Networks Snapshot

- Nationwide MPLS network
 - Almost 900 switches & routers
 - Connectivity anywhere
 - Underlying provider to most carriers
- Build & manage private networks anyway customers like
- EarthLink subsidiary; formed in 1999



Businesses Needs Are Changing

- New customer mindsets
- Proliferating IP applications
- Minimize operational headaches
- Mantra: Do more with less



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New Customer Expectations

- Extend in-office experience anywhere
- Scalable, flexible blended networks
- Security and privacy
- Cost, budget control
- Customized total solutions



Brave, New World

- Don't talk speeds and feeds
- Talk number of applications
- Talk performance needs
- Talk number of users
- Offer solutions not pipes



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Build "Purpose Networks"

- MPLS enables assets to converge
- Pursue customer-centric approach
- Share responsibilities
 - Know the customer
 - Know the customer's business
 - Know the customer's applications
 - Design & implement the right solution



Go Beyond the "Demarc"

- Connect LAN to WAN
- On-site coordinated installations and testing
- Single point-of-contact



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Application Centric Approach

- Full monitoring and management
 - All applications and locations
- Traffic prioritization end-to-end, regardless of access type
- Predictable performance
- Service level guarantees that back up this approach



SLAs with Teeth

- Move to application-specific SLAs
- Proactive SLAs fulfillments
- Transparency is key
- It's not about protecting the carrier;
 It's about taking care of customers



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Advanced Management Tools

- Foster change in perception
 - Network is business enabler
 - Language change: "latency & jitter" to "Web traffic slowing down MySAP"
- Provide more customer control
 - "Let's increase C-2 to 35%"
- Get closer to customers' business



