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Making Home Networks Compute

(NAPS)—As the number of homes with multiple computers grows, families are looking for a way to access the Internet on all their computers at the same time.

A home network allows family members to share Internet access as well as games, printers and more. The easiest type of home network to install is a wireless network because there are no cables to install, and the computers can be located anywhere in the home. People have the same freedom to move about while they surf as a cordless phone gives people while they talk.

What should someone look for when choosing a wireless networking solution? “There are three main considerations,” says Ken Haase, director of consumer product marketing at networking company, Proxim.

“Interference resistance, security and simple installation.”

Cordless phones, microwave ovens and even baby monitors can create havoc for a wireless network, causing interference that disrupts the Internet connection. In crowded environments, such as apartment buildings, even neighboring wireless networks can cause interference. Haase’s company has worked to solve the “interference problem” by incorporating HomeRF technology into its



New technology has helped improve the quality of home wireless computer networks.

new Proxim Symphony HomeRF wireless networking products.

HomeRF is designed to avoid interference, plus it offers four levels of security to protect users’ wireless-information from eavesdroppers, hackers and Internet intruders. “The last thing home users want is to have someone access the private information stored on their computers,” says Haase.

A Symphony HomeRF wireless network requires no networking expertise to install, and it offers the same wireless data speeds that people enjoy on wired networks in their offices.

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