

Infineon sees falling mobile, VoIP prices

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Equipment costs for mobile phones and potential VoIP systems are decreasing as technology improves, Germany's Infineon has concluded.

The company said Tuesday that its Dual-Channel Subscriber Line Interface Controller-Single Package technology will make VoIP modems and PBXs not only available in smaller sizes but with sturdier and more robust performance.

Mass production of the DuSLIC-SP begins in Q1 2006.

Infineon also sees mobile-phone costs plunging. Company officials in India told EETimes that its new low-cost platforms can bring handset costs down below \$20 and to as low as \$15.

EETimes said Motorola and Phillips are also working on sizable reductions in equipment prices.

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