

Cisco to supply Clearwire with WiMax devices

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(AP) -- Clearwire Corp., which is building a nearly nationwide wireless data network, says Cisco Systems Inc. has agreed to make devices that can use that network.

Clearwire will also buy network equipment from Cisco, the world's largest maker of such gear.

<u>Clearwire</u> has its new WiMax network up and running in Baltimore and Portland, Ore., but it doesn't have a lot of devices that can use the <u>network</u> apart from USB modems for laptops.

Cisco said it would launch a WiMax device before the end of the year under the Linksys brand, aimed at consumers and small businesses. It didn't specify what type of device it would be, but given that Linksys is a big maker of routers, it could be a Wi-Fi router than connects to the Internet through WiMax.

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