ADC Telecom links with PCS Wireless

Minneapolis - ADC Telecommunications Inc. last week joined with PCS Wireless Inc. (Vancouver, British Columbia) to apply hybrid fiber-coax infrastructures to personal-communication-service phone provisioning. While several cable-TV companies have talked about an HFC architecture as the basis for PCS service, the ADC/ PCS Wireless collaboration is one of the first hardware efforts to develop head-end and basestation structures.

A startup, based in the United States, will make, market and sell remote-antenna drivers and remote-antenna signal processors for HFC networks. Capitalization of the joint venture is \$5 million. ADC also will purchase 5 million shares of PCS Wireless, for a 15-percent stake.