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Abstracts

SureWest Communications Fundamental Company Report provides a complete overview of the company's affairs. All available data is presented in a comprehensive and easily accessed format. The report includes financial and SWOT information, industry analysis, opinions, estimates, plus annual and quarterly forecasts made by stock market experts. The report also enables direct comparison to be made between SureWest Communications and its competitors. This provides our Clients with a clear understanding of SureWest Communications position in the Communication Services Industry.

The report contains detailed information about SureWest Communications that gives an unrivalled in-depth knowledge about internal business-environment of the company: data about the owners, senior executives, locations, subsidiaries, markets, products, and company history.

Another part of the report is a SWOT-analysis carried out for SureWest Communications. It involves specifying the objective of the company's business and identifies the different factors that are favorable and unfavorable to achieving that objective. SWOT-analysis helps to understand company's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and possible threats against it.

The SureWest Communications financial analysis covers the income statement and ratio trend-charts with balance sheets and cash flows presented on an annual and quarterly basis. The report outlines the main financial ratios



pertaining to profitability, margin analysis, asset turnover, credit ratios, and company's long-term solvency. This sort of company's information will assist and strengthen your company's decision-making processes.

In the part that describes SureWest Communications competitors and the industry in whole, the information about company's financial ratios is compared to those of its competitors and to the industry. The unique analysis of the market and company's competitors along with detailed information about the internal and external factors affecting the relevant industry will help to manage your business environment. Your company's business and sales activities will be boosted by gaining an insight into your competitors' businesses.

Also the report provides relevant news, an analysis of PR-activity, and stock price movements. The latter are correlated with pertinent news and press releases, and annual and quarterly forecasts are given by a variety of experts and market research firms. Such information creates your awareness about principal trends of SureWest Communications business.

About SureWest Communications

SureWest Communications, through its subsidiaries, provides telecommunications, digital video, Internet, and other facilities-based communication services in Northern California, primarily the greater Sacramento region and the greater Kansas City, Kansas and Missouri areas (Kansas City area).

As of December 31, 2009, the company's operating subsidiaries included SureWest Broadband, SureWest TeleVideo, SureWest Internet, SureWest Custom Data Services, SureWest Kansas, Inc. with its various direct and indirect subsidiaries, 'SureWest Kansas' or the 'Kansas City operations), SureWest Telephone, and SureWest Long Distance.

Segments

The company segments include Broadband and Telecommunications (Telecom).

Broadband

The Broadband segment includes SureWest Broadband, SureWest TeleVideo,

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SureWest Internet, SureWest Custom Data Services, SureWest Kansas and the SureWest CLEC.

The Broadband segment utilizes fiber-to-the-premise and fiber-to-the-node networks in portions of its service area to offer bundled residential and commercial services that include Internet protocol (IP)-based digital and high-definition television, high-speed Internet, VoIP and local and long distance telephone in the greater Sacramento, California and Kansas City areas. As of December 31, 2009, the Broadband segment had 102,600 and 229,200 residential subscribers and Revenue-generating units (RGUs), respectively.

During 2008, SureWest TeleVideo possessed authorizations to serve areas of Sacramento and Placer counties and the cities of Roseville and Lincoln, California. The company is authorized to provide video programming to the residents in the SureWest Telephone service area. Its Kansas City operations possess local or state cable television and/or telecommunications franchises covering the cities of Lenexa, Merriam, Olathe, Overland Park, Prairie Village and Shawnee, in Kansas.

SureWest Broadband procures digital transport capability from its affiliate, SureWest Telephone, and also from other carriers. The Broadband segment utilizes a digital fiber network in various portions of its service areas. The Broadband segment uses its network for both business and residential services.

Competition

The company competes against AT&T, Comcast, Frontier, DirecTV, Dish, and Time Warner Cable.

Telecom

The Telecom segment includes SureWest Telephone and SureWest Long Distance, which provide landline telecommunications services, wholesale DSL service, domestic and international long distance services and certain non-regulated services. The services provided by the subsidiaries in this segment are available only in the greater Sacramento area. SureWest Telephone, which is the principal operating subsidiary of the Telecom segment, provides local services, regional toll telephone services, network access services and certain non-regulated services. Some services are provided through connections with other carriers serving adjacent areas, including AT&T, and also through service agreements with various interexchange carriers, including national



interexchange carriers. SureWest Long Distance provides long distance services.

SureWest Telephone operates as an ILEC with a service area of approximately 83 square miles, covering Roseville and Citrus Heights, California, and adjacent areas in Placer and Sacramento Counties. The company holds a perpetual franchise granted by Section 7901 of the California Public Utilities Code.

SureWest Telephone provides services to residential, business and carrier customers. SureWest Long Distance offers intrastate, interstate and international long distance services, including calling card and 800 services. SureWest Long Distance is a resale business that utilizes other national and international carriers for wholesale transport, switching and other capabilities. SureWest Long Distance maintains agreements with Sprint Communications Company L.P., Transcom Enhanced Services, Inc., and Level 3 Communications, LLC.

Competition

SureWest Telephone competes against AT&T and various other certificated carriers, Comcast and various other companies in both the business and residential telecommunications and information transport markets in its telephone service area.

Dispositions

Sale of Communication Tower Assets: In 2009, the company sold its 52 wireless communications towers (Tower Assets) owned by its subsidiary West Coast PCS, LLC (West Coast PCS) to Global Tower Partners.

History

SureWest Communications was founded in 1914.

The above Company Fundamental Report is a half-ready report and contents are subject to change.

It means that we have all necessary data in our database to prepare the report but need **2-3 days** to complete it. During this time we are also updating the report with respect to the current moment. So, you can get all the most recent data available for the same price. Please note that preparation of additional types of analyses requires extra time.



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SWOT Analysis

SWOT, which stands for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats, is an analytical framework that identifies the internal and external factors that are favorable and unfavorable for a company.

Enhanced SWOT Analysis

Enhanced SWOT is a 3×3 grid that arranges strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats into one scheme:

How to use the strengths to take advantage of the opportunities?

How to use the strengths to reduce likelihood and impact of the threats?

How to overcome the weaknesses that obstruct taking advantage of the opportunities?

How to overcome the weaknesses that can make the threats a reality?

Upon answering these questions a company can develop a project plan to improve its business performance.

PESTEL Analysis

PESTEL (also termed as PESTLE) is an ideal tool to strategically analyze what influence different outside factors – political, economic, sociocultural, technological, environmental and legal – exert on a business to later chart its long term targets.

Being part of the external analysis when carrying out a strategic assessment or performing a market study, PESTEL gives an overview of diverse macro-environmental factors that any company should thoughtfully consider. By perceiving these outside environments, businesses can maximally benefit from the opportunities while minimizing the threats to the organization.



Key Factors Examined by PESTEL Analysis:

Political – What opportunities and pressures are brought by political bodies and what is the degree of public regulations' impact on the business?

Economic – What economic policies, trends and structures are expected to affect the organization, what is this influence's degree?

Sociological – What cultural and societal aspects will work upon the demand for the business's products and operations?

Technological – What impact do the technological aspects, innovations, incentives and barriers have on the organization?

Environmental – What environmental and ecological facets, both locally and farther afield, are likely to predetermine the business?

Legal – What laws and legislation will exert influence on the style the business is carried out?

IFE, EFE, IE Matrices

The Internal Factor Evaluation matrix (IFE matrix) is a strategic management tool helping audit or evaluate major weaknesses and strengths in a business's functional areas. In addition, IFE matrix serves as a basis for identifying and assessing relationships amongst those areas. The IFE matrix is utilised in strategy formulation.

The External Factor Evaluation matrix (EFE matrix) is a tool of strategic management that is typically utilised to assess current market conditions. It is an ideal instrument for visualising and prioritising the threats and opportunities a firm is facing.

The essential difference between the above mentioned matrices lies in the type of factors incorporated in the model; whilst the latter is engaged in internal factors, the former deals exceptionally with external factors – those exposed to social, political, economic, legal, etc. external forces.

Being a continuation of the EFE matrix and IFE matrix models, the Internal External matrix (IE matrix) rests upon an investigation of external and internal business factors



integrated into one suggestive model.

Porter Five Forces Analysis

The Porter's five forces analysis studies the industry of operation and helps the company find new sources of competitive advantage. The analysis surveys an industry through five major questions:

What composes a threat of substitute products and services?

Is there a threat of new competitors entering the market?

What is the intensity of competitive rivalry?

How big is the bargaining power of buyers?

How significant is the bargaining power of suppliers?

VRIO Analysis

VRIO stands for Value, Rarity, Imitability, Organization. This analysis helps to evaluate all company's resources and capabilities and bring them together into one aggregate table that includes:

Tangible resources

Financial

Physical

Technological

Organizational

Intangible resources

Human

Innovation and Creativity



Reputation

Organizational capabilities

The result of the analysis gives a clear picture of company's competitive and economic implications, answering the questions if the resources mentioned above are:

Valuable?
Rare?
Costly to imitate?
Organized properly?



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