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LTE-A Infrastructure: A *Heavy Reading* Competitive Analysis

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LTE-A networks are being deployed in trials around the world in significant numbers; commercial networks in South Korea have been the subject of great interest

Many LTE infrastructure vendors have developed solutions to support common Release 10 LTE-A features; some have gone further, with Release 11/12 features and proprietary features that build on standards-based functionality

Vendors tend to enable LTE-A features to support their existing customer base

Some vendors have been significantly more successful than others in selling their equipment to operators

Comparing vendors on five key criteria shows three vendors – Ericsson, Huawei and Nokia Networks – in a three-way tie at the top, with ZTE and Alcatel-Lucent snapping at their heels

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