

Briefs: Broadband expands in-car entertainment

Car video entertainment is taking steps toward becoming ubiquitous through the use of wireless broadband technologies on display in Las Vegas this week.

Freescale Semiconductor had its Ultra-Wideband (UWB) on display at the Delphi booth, where visitors at the Consumer Electronics Show saw an in-vehicle system stream two simultaneous videos on to a pair of liquid-crystal screens mounted in the front-seat headrests.

The screens do not require hard-wiring to a server in the vehicle, and the system can handle high-definition signals and MPEG2 format movies.

Boosters tout UWB as being ideal for global positioning data and for passenger diversions that include on-line gaming.

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