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... the right technology, the right time, the right choice.

Aspire from NEC is a family of telephone systems ranging in size from 4 to hundreds of extensions tailored to meet the communication needs of your organization today and tomorrow.

Aspire allows you to converge your voice and data networks and enjoy the many advantages of Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) while enjoying the hundreds of features you've come to expect from traditional digital/analog switching. Aspire lets your organization benefit from the potential cost-saving advantages of IP even if you're not ready to migrate to 100% IP Telephony immediately. That's because Aspire gives you a choice: You can deploy traditional circuit-switched technology, VoIP or a combination, all from one system! You have the freedom to adopt VoIP when and where you need it.

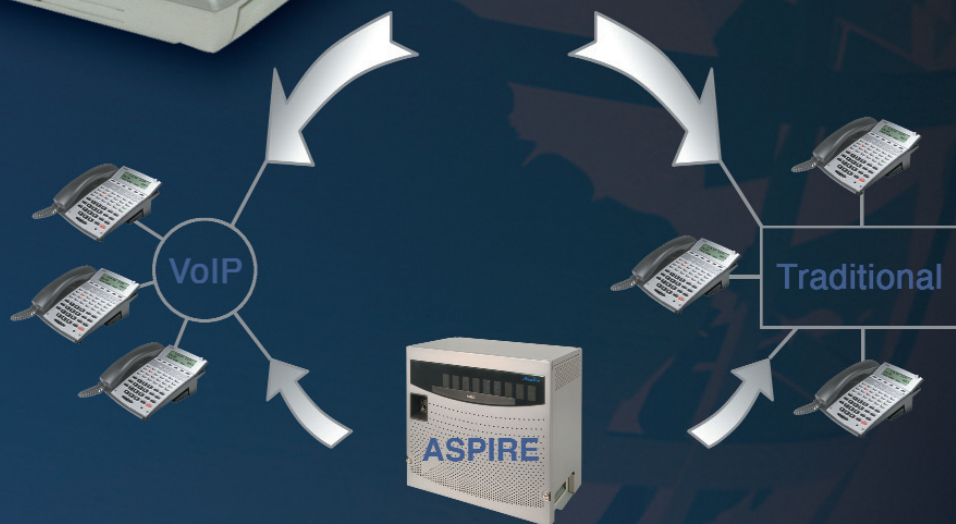
What is Peer-to-Peer Switching?

"Peer-to-peer" switching means that the stations participating in a call are connected directly to each other through the IP network. The signals travel through the IP network but do not "go through" the switch as they do in traditional telephony. The fact that Aspire can function in and support a "hybrid" network with traditional digital/analog switching, IP/TDM/IP switching and pure peer-to-peer IP switching means that users can continue to utilize their existing equipment while they begin to phase in IP Telephony and lay the foundation for current and future networks.

Reduced Costs of Peer-to-Peer IP Connectivity

- Maintain one network rather than two
- Bypass the long distance carrier by sending voice calls over the data network
- Single cable termination to the desktop
- Reduced brick and mortar expenses by deploying main office features to remote personnel





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Aspire's elegant sophisticated design delivers productivity and versatility to your work environment.

Aspire's **Voice over IP (VoIP)** allows you to place voice calls over a data network. VoIP reduces long distance charges by using IP to connect multiple office locations and telecommuters. Remote workers have access to main office features, such as voice mail, allowing offices to operate as a single unit.

UserPro allows your customer to configure and program their own telephone using a web browser at their desktop. Programming keys, speed dials and call forwarding are some of the features UserPro can set up. Each extension has their own UserPro password. An administrator's password allows system-based programs such as time and DID name to be programmed.

Softphone for desktop or laptop PC. Works with USB handset or headset and provides full extension capability over IP.

Aspire S delivers many of the high-powered features of the Aspire but in a package tailored for companies using 24 phones or less. Networking to the Aspire using VoIP makes Aspire S a great system for the small/ home/branch office.

Aspire Systems support combinations of digital, analog, cordless, wireless and IP telephones up to a maximum of 512 extensions.

Aspire Mail, an optional in-switch voice mail, provides sophisticated features that save time and money.

Return Call with Caller ID saves caller ID information for inside- and outside-originated calls. **Answering Machine Emulation** is helpful when you are waiting for an important call. It lets you listen while a caller is leaving a message for you. **Message Center Keys** allow two people sharing the same phone to have their own message waiting key. Each person can see if he/she has new messages. **Conversation Record** saves and records your conversation into your mailbox with the touch of a button. **Park and Page** allows a caller to page you before leaving a message. You can pick up the call from any station.

IntraMail optional plug-in card for Aspire S offers 4 or 8 ports of voice mail and auto attendant.

Conference Scheduler is used to set up a managed conference. Users receive an email with the number and password to dial into the conference. A web browser is used to set up the conference.

Automatic Call Distribution (ACD) distributes calls evenly among member agents and provides initial and repetitive announcements that encourage callers to remain online. Callers can leave a message if they choose to receive a callback from an agent. Optional PC-based **Supervisor with Reports** can be used for agent scheduling.

Wireless/Cordless phones keep employees connected while away from their desk. Aspire provides a variety of mobility solutions to connect your whole campus or just your office.

System Maintenance allows for online HTML-based programming access either onsite or over the Internet. Using browser software simplifies the process for changing names or speed dial settings. Special PC software is available for off-line programming and remote access by modem.

Call Logging saves information about incoming and outgoing calls. Logged calls can be redialed or saved to speed-dial memory.

Aspire's **Automatic Route Selection (ARS)** system decides whether to place a call with a long distance carrier, over IP or, if allowed, a local trunk. You specify how you want your calls to be routed.

Secure Station Relocation reduces maintenance costs by allowing users to move telephones without installer assistance.

E911 Compatibility identifies the origination of an E911 call so emergency services can reach the specific extension location quickly.



Separate Headset Jack –
Using a headset is convenient and easy.

Interactive Display – Three-line, 24 character tilt display with associated soft keys. Contrast Control adjusts the display characters for easy viewing.

High Visibility Message Waiting Indicator – Message indicator can easily be seen.



Interactive Soft Keys – Change to provide intuitive feature access.

12/24 Programmable Function Keys –
User programmable for one-button access to co-workers, features and outside lines.

15 Fixed Feature Keys –
Quick access to commonly used features.

Speakerphone –
Built-in for hands-free operation.

Volume Control –
Adjust volume levels for the speaker, ringer and handset individually.

Adjustable Legs –
Elevates the telephone for two additional angles.

Wall Mount –
Each telephone has a built-in wall mount bracket.

Optional Snap-on Module – Connect full duplex speakerphones, cordless telephones, modems, TAPI, IP networks and recording jacks.

Multi-colored Faceplate Inserts – Changes the look of the telephone to fit in with the office décor.

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Aspire is an attractive addition to any work environment. With many models to choose from, each station user can enjoy customized service and performance. From a two-button terminal to a 34-button display with a 110-button DSS Console, standard intelligent features can help raise productivity throughout your enterprise or small business.

*22-Button Display with Console**



*22-Button**



Aspire Wireless



*34-Button Display with Console**



*2-Button**



Cordless II/Cordless Lite II



** Also available in white*

4-Button IP Phone



Video Softphone



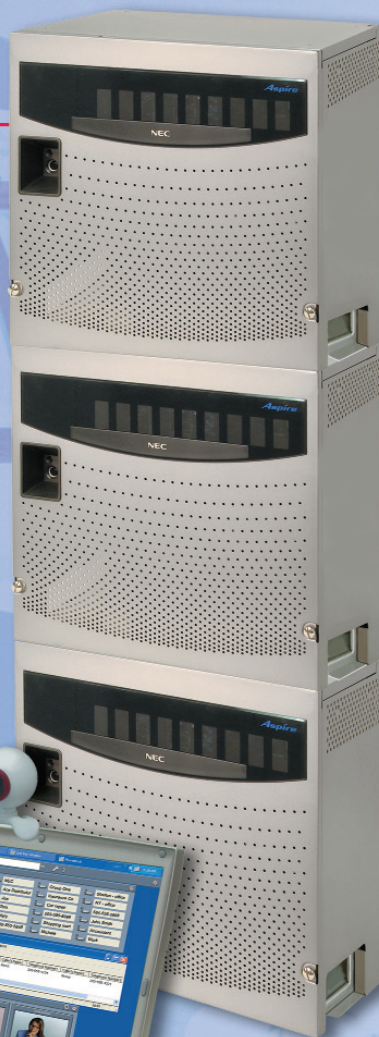
*34-Button Super Display**



34-Button IPhone



*Aspire Cabinet
(at full capacity)*



*Aspire
PC Attendant*



Aspire S Cabinet



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Aspire Versatility

Usability

- Built-In Headset Jack
- Call Coverage Keys
- Caller ID Logging
- Contrast Control
- Last Number Redial List (10)
- One Touch Feature Operation
- Tilt Display

Flexibility

- Adjustable Height Telephone
- Flexible Numbering Plan
- Universal Card Slots
- Virtual Extension Keys

Serviceability

- On-Line Programming
- Remote Programming
- Self Diagnostics
- Single Pair Wiring
- Alarm Notification

Versatility

- Analog Trunks and Stations
- Colored Face Mats
- Digital Trunks and Stations
- DID Trunks
- E&M Trunks
- IP Trunks and Stations
- i-Series Telephone Support
- T1/PRI Trunks
- TAPI Compatible

Scalability

- Application Processors
- Distributed Processing
- IP Keysets
- IP Trunks
- Software Upgrades
- Universal Line/Station Card Slots

Manageability

- Account Codes, Forced & Verifiable
- Automatic Call Distribution
- Automatic Route Selection
- Conference Scheduler
- Built-In Mini Gatekeeper
- IP Networking

- Networking
- Secure Set Relocation
- Toll Restriction
- User Programming/UserPro
- Walking Class of Service
- Web-based Programming

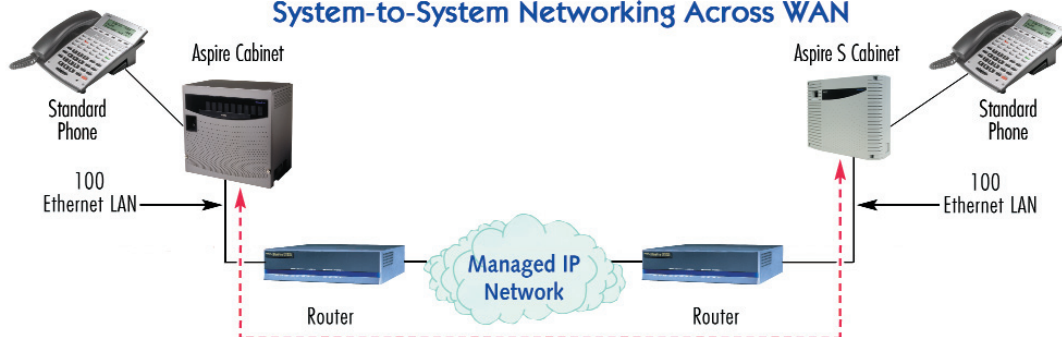
Adaptability

- In-switch Aspire Mail Cards
- Media Gateway
- Switching Hub
- Wall, Floor, 19" Rack Mountable Cabinet
- TDM and/or IP

Peer-to-Peer IP Connectivity on LAN/WAN



System-to-System Networking Across WAN



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