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**Tesla** provides the most user-friendly connected car experience, according to Strategy Analytics. The Strategy Analytics Automotive Consumer Insights (ACI) service report "Comparing the User Experience of Connected Infotainment Systems" gave the automaker the highest rating among the 19 vehicles evaluated across the US, Western Europe, and China.

**CWC** and **Ericsson** have completed the roll out of 4G Long Term Evolution services in the Cayman Islands which now cover 100 percent of the islands. Since the upgrade took place, average data traffic on LIME's mobile network has increased by 68 times.

**Verizon** has installed almost 89 million feet, or nearly 17,000 miles, of fiber optic infrastructure in New York City, enough to stretch over six trips between New York and Los Angeles. The company's fiber infrastructure in the city includes facilities for interoffice and backbone network equipment, specialized fiber for large enterprise customers, as well its revolutionary FiOS services serving consumers and small businesses.

**SemiGen**, an ISO and ITAR registered RF/Microwave assembly, automated PCB manufacturing, and RF Supply Center, has announced that a series of fixed attenuator pads are now available from their RF Supply Center. SemiGen's advanced thin-film technology allows these attenuator pads to have full side wraps for SMT installation and a complete grounding backside for ease in attachment. No ground bonding is required. Top side contacts for the input and output make these ideal for standard RF and microwave assembly techniques. Custom values are easy to fabricate and design allowing users to design in a specific value of choice.

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