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Q2 at a glance

PSSI International Teleport is the premiere teleport facility in North America. Here's what we're doing to stay at the top of our game:

- We continue to be Telstra's North American Broadcast Operations Center (BOC) and the gateway for all our customers' content for domestic and international broadcasts.
- We are adding new streaming equipment from our partners at Appear. This expands our abilities to provide SRT, UDP and RTP services, in addition to our extensive fiber and satellite transmission capabilities.
- In addition to the recent power upgrades, we've made given the teleport facility a facelift with new carpeting, flooring, paint and other cosmetic improvements as we focus on expanding our profile and service offerings in Pittsburgh.





PSSI expands scope, distance of REMI productions with **The Road to UFC 2**

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The scale and distance of the event represent a significant expansion of the remote production model, demonstrating that PSSI can help clients of any size expand globally without compromising production quality and reliability. The REMI production model provided an alternative to traveling overseas with an entire production team.

PSSI sent its newly acquired Appear media processing and delivery equipment and two senior engineers to Shanghai to facilitate this broadcast. Appear's X Platform enabled high-density HEVC encoding/decoding for the event, converting 24 HD camera signals and 8 return feeds into high-quality HEVC, low-latency transport signals. PSSI turned to Telstra to provide one gigabyte of data for the event

via their Special Events Network, as well as an IT interface for remote engineering. PSSI also engaged Nextologies to design multiple payload data tunnels for comms, scoring, and camera tallies between the Shanghai Media Group facility and UFC Apex in Las Vegas.

While the REMI production model is nothing new, the scale of The Road to UFC 2 represents a significant expansion of the scope, complexity and distance involved in REMI events.

"What we were able to accomplish in Shanghai could be tailored to any company with an interest in efficient international REMI productions," said Tracy Michaels, director of project engineering, who architected this solution alongside PSSI's partners at Appear, Telstra, and Nextologies. **"What sets this REMI apart is the rapid-deploy set/shoot/strike model that can be scaled up or down for any event around the world."**

Garrett Hunt, Leading the Pack

PSSI Global Services is proud to announce Garrett Hunt has been named the new lead of PSSI's project management team.

Garrett joined PSSI in 2013 after receiving his degree from the University of Oregon. Since then, he has become one of the company's highest-producing project managers, leading the charge on scores of high-profile events every year. Garrett has been the lead project manager for UFC/Concom for several years now, expanding and strengthening our partnership with these important customers with his work ethic and attention to detail.

Garrett also handles some of our biggest, most unique events such as Yellowstone Live, The World's Biggest USO Tour, and the San Francisco Exploratorium's expansive eclipse broadcasts around the world. Garrett has managed events all over the US and in Europe, as well as in Brazil, Argentina, Japan, Australia, and beyond.

It's not just the clients who benefit from Garrett's expertise. He is also eager to help his fellow co-workers stay current on new technologies and advise on customer support strategies and business development. PSSI is pleased to have Garrett head up the project management team. Exciting things to come!



"Garrett has long been valued for his dependability, dedication, innovative thinking and team spirit. He approaches challenges with a positive attitude. I'm excited to see him step into this new leadership role."

– Matt Bridges | President of Strategic Television

Engineer of the Quarter: Steve Hagerty

"Steve Hagerty is truly a Road Warrior. Always ready to go and eager to please. He has some great ideas, and he is always thinking about the next job. He is a team player who loves to share stories and pictures of his travels. He is a friend to all, and he is always willing to offer his support. He is a real pleasure to work with."

– Wendy Bryne | Logistics Manager

This past quarter, Steve has covered over 36 jobs from Toronto to St. Louis, Pittsburgh to Albany, back to Toronto to Austin, then on to Bristol, TN and then Southeast to Miami and West Palm Beach and finally back again to Toronto. He gets around, and we appreciate all his hard work!

