

Robert W. Pullen

Chief Executive Officer and President, Tellabs

Robert W. Pullen, 48, is CEO and president of Tellabs and a member of the board of directors.

Pullen joined Tellabs in January 1985, as an electrical engineer and has held a series of increasingly responsible positions in research and development, sales, marketing, and services.

Prior to being named CEO in February 2008, Pullen was vice president and general manager of global services, where he introduced new professional services. From 2002 to October 2005, he was senior vice president of North American sales, where he successfully integrated two acquisitions and more than doubled North American sales from 2003 to 2005. Previously, Pullen was senior vice president of the optical networking group for Tellabs.



Pullen has spoken at many industry forums on the development of global broadband full-service wireless and wireline networks to deliver the triple play of video, voice and data. Pullen has addressed the impact of DWDM, SONET/SDH and ATM/IP technology on telecommunications, service providers and end customers.

Pullen holds a Master of Business Administration degree in management from Northwestern University with a focus on finance and marketing. He holds a B.S.E.E. degree with an additional emphasis on physics from the University of Illinois. Pullen is the chairman emeritus of the executive board for the Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA). He is a former co-chair for SuperComm.

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