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Novatel Wireless MiFi 2200 Recognized as a 'Super Star' in Mobile Star Awards

Industry's First Intelligent Mobile Hotspot Recognized as Outstanding Portable Connectivity Gear

SAN DIEGO, Dec 14, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Novatel Wireless (Nasdaq: NVTL), a leading provider of wireless broadband solutions, is pleased to announce that its MiFi(TM) 2200 Intelligent Mobile Hotspot has been named a winner in the eighth annual Mobile Star Awards(TM) program, hosted by mobile technology news portal MobileVillage.com.

As in past years, the Mobile Star Awards program showcases "best of" entries in dozens of categories including mobile apps, enterprise mobile software, wireless network products, enterprise success stories, mobile industry visionaries and more. Winners were chosen by the thousand of subscribers of MobileVillage's "Go Mobile(TM)" - a free e-newsletter that delivers headlines and links from top mobile technology stories on popular websites such as Cnet, Engadget, Gizmodo, PC Magazine, Computerworld, AppScout, and others.

The MiFi platform represents the industry's first Intelligent Mobile Hotspot, a new category of mobile broadband that lets users put their world of content, services and connectivity in their pocket. Unlike existing router solutions that require an external broadband modem and serve only to provide connectivity, the MiFi platform creates a personal cloud of high-speed Internet connectivity that can be easily shared between multiple users and up to five Wi-Fi devices such as laptops, cameras, gaming devices and multimedia players. The MiFi Intelligent Mobile Hotspot serves as an intelligent, open platform capable of hosting advanced software applications and flexible enough to address the continued evolution of mobile broadband.

"It is truly an honor to be named a 'Super Star' by Mobile Village for the MiFi 2200 Intelligent Mobile Hotspot," said Rob Hadley, CMO, Novatel Wireless. "This recognition from a leading organization validates our ongoing efforts to lead the mobile industry by providing our customers with the most innovative connectivity solutions."

"Because 'Go Mobile' readers are the industry's most savvy mobile business users, Mobile Star Awards winners can claim they are the users' choice," says Jon Covington, MobileVillage founder and president. "Winners are chosen by real users based on real results, not hype. Brand new mobile services competed on equal footing with well-established solutions, and both nominees and winners are respected in the mobile industry as the new leaders to watch."

For more information about the annual Mobile Star Awards, visit MobileVillage.com.

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