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Novatel Wireless to Offer Wireless Connectivity Solutions for Windows Mobile 2003

Merlin™ Product Lines to be Compatible with Microsoft Windows Mobile 2003 software for Pocket PCs

SAN DIEGO – June 23, 2003 – Novatel Wireless, Inc. (Nasdaq:NVTL), a leading provider of wireless data access solutions, today announced that the Merlin™ GPRS and CDMA Families of Wireless PC Card Modems will be compatible with the new Microsoft Windows Mobile 2003 software for Pocket PCs.

When used with Windows Mobile 2003 software, Novatel Wireless' Merlin PC card modems will deliver new functionality targeted to business users and corporations interested in deploying secure, reliable and robust mobile solutions. Improved management of power consumption, contacts and calendar features in Windows Mobile 2003 all translate into an enhanced experience for Merlin users.

"Microsoft's goal with Windows Mobile was to make a great mobile platform even better. Windows Mobile 2003 software delivers wireless and communications enhancements as well as new applications and features that benefit both business users and consumers," said Mary Rose Becker, group manager for the Mobile Devices Division at Microsoft Corp. "The Novatel Wireless Merlin PC card brings additional value to Windows Mobile 2003 users, connecting them to important personal, corporate and public information anywhere, anytime."

"Novatel Wireless remains committed to enabling wireless mobility through a variety of platforms," said Slim Souissi, chief technology officer for Novatel Wireless. "Windows Mobile 2003 software in combination with our Merlin PC card enables users from corporate to vertical markets to work more efficiently and productively."

Merlin™ GPRS and CDMA wireless PC card modems enable wireless access to email, the Internet, and corporate networks allowing users to maintain productivity while they work remotely. The cards also provide enabling technology for vertical applications such as Point of Sale (POS), Automated Transaction Machine (ATM), Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL), telemetry and other applications requiring wide-area networking.

For more information about Merlin wireless PC card modems, visit www.novatelwireless.com or call 1-888-888-9231.

ABOUT NOVATEL WIRELESS, INC. Novatel Wireless, Inc. is a leading developer of wireless PC cards, embedded modems, software and custom engineering for use in mobile computing devices. The company delivers innovative solutions to retail, wholesale and vertical markets worldwide enabling access to personal, corporate and public information over advanced wireless networks such as GSM, GPRS, CDMA and UMTS. Novatel Wireless Merlin™ PC Card and Expedite™ Embedded Modems are used in portable computers, handheld devices and vertical market applications. Headquartered in San Diego, California, Novatel Wireless is listed on Nasdaq: NVTL. For more information, visit www.novatelwireless.com

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