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## Novatel Wireless Announces MiFi(TM) Intelligent Mobile Hotspot Software Platform Readiness

Next Generation Platform Advances MiFi Beyond Connectivity to Enable Advanced Applications, Customizable Landing Page and Widgets for World's Only Intelligent Mobile Hotspot

LAS VEGAS, Jan 07, 2010 /PRNewswire via COMTEX News Network/ -- 2010 International Consumer Electronics Show (CES) -- Novatel Wireless, Inc. (Nasdaq: NVTL), a leading provider of wireless broadband access solutions, today announced that its MiFi(TM)Intelligent Mobile Hotspot software platform is ready for carrier type approvals on MiFi 2352 and MiFi 2372 products. The MiFi software platform is architected to support major 3G and 4G air interfaces, including EV-DO Rev. A, HSPA and WiMax, with new functions and capabilities beyond connectivity.

The Novatel Wireless exclusive MiFisoftware platform is based on an open Linux operating system with features and functionality that transforms the MiFi from a connectivity device to a full-scale Intelligent Mobile Hotspot. This platform provides new revenue opportunities for operators and enables markets and usage patterns that have never before existed. The MiFi software platform provides unprecedented on-board Linux-based application processing support, an on-board web server and media storage capabilities. The MiFi software platform enables any WiFi-enabled device to take advantage of its applications, and its onboard web server enables the MiFi to connect to remote data locations, retrieve data and present it to the user either online or offline. The MiFi software platform architecture is designed to ensure that the operator's network is protected, while maintaining the ability for new applications to be deployed to the growing market base.

"Our software platform, with its ability to support and host a wide variety of mobile wireless applications, takes the MiFi platform to the next level," said Rob Hadley, CMO, Novatel Wireless. "Importantly, this Novatel developed software platform will deliver support for new mobile broadband applications and is designed to support each of the prevailing air interfaces, which represents the next step in our MiFi platform strategy. The separation of core wireless modem operations from the dynamic application space within MiFi's software platform architecture ensures faster time-to-market for developer applications by enabling application and configuration updates without the need for a new product certification."

## **ABOUT NOVATEL WIRELESS**

Novatel Wireless, Inc. is a leader in the design and development of innovative wireless broadband access solutions based on 3G and 4G wireless technologies. Novatel Wireless' USB modems, embedded modules, Intelligent Mobile Hotspot products and software enable high-speed wireless Internet access on leading wireless data networks. The Company delivers specialized wireless solutions to carriers, distributors, OEMs and vertical markets worldwide. Headquartered in San Diego, California, Novatel Wireless is listed on NASDAQ: NVTL. For more information please visit www.novatelwireless.com. (NVTLG)

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