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Novatel Wireless Supplies 3G Wireless Multimedia Application Consoles to Telefonica Moviles Espana; Ovation MCU 1001 Provides Broadband Access for Home, SOHO and Enterprise Markets

SAN DIEGO, Jan 30, 2006 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Novatel Wireless, Inc. (Nasdaq:NVTL), a leading provider of wireless broadband access solutions, announced that it signed a supply agreement with Telefonica Moviles Espana, the largest mobile operator in Spain, for Novatel Wireless' Ovation MCU 1001(TM) 3G Wireless Multimedia Application Consoles. Telefonica Moviles will offer customers in Spain, Novatel Wireless' product, a stand-alone desktop device that unifies the Telefonica Moviles 3G UMTS network with 802.11b/g wireless local area networking (WLAN).

Designed for residential, small office/home office (SOHO) and enterprise users, the Ovation MCU 1001 will provide Telefonica Moviles' subscribers with high-speed wireless broadband access to email, the Internet and corporate networks. The connection is maintained through secure virtual private networks (VPNs) using multiple devices, including desktop PCs, Wi-Fi-enabled laptops and other peripheral solutions. With wireless broadband data speeds up to 384 kbps on the Telefonica Moviles Espana UMTS network - approximately six times faster than dial-up - Ovation MCU 1001 offers a superior cost and performance alternative to dial-up and Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) connections.

"Novatel Wireless' Ovation MCU 1001 is the first regional, feature-rich solution in Spain that leverages 3G connectivity and enhances the high-speed wireless experience for users," said Peter Leparulo, CEO of Novatel Wireless. "Our ongoing relationship with Telefonica is testament to our market leadership, the superior wireless broadband solutions we offer and strong relationships we build with top carriers worldwide."

Novatel Wireless has the broadest data product portfolio in the market place, including PC Cards, mini-PCI modules and Ovation consoles supporting global standards such as UMTS, HSDPA and EV-DO. The diversified product portfolio addresses the mobile enterprise market, the embedded laptop market and the fixed / mobile convergence market. Novatel Wireless was first to commercialize UMTS PC cards both in Europe and North America. The company's Merlin PC Data Cards have been sold by 41 operators in 32 countries throughout Asia, Africa, Australia, Europe, the Middle East and North America.

About the Ovation Family of 3G Multimedia Application Consoles Powered by Conversa

The Ovation Family of 3G Multimedia Application Consoles is a portfolio of stand-alone desktop consoles integrated with GSM, UMTS, 802.11b/g, voice and/or VoIP technology to provide broadband data and voice communications and the delivery of multimedia applications. Ovation is powered by Conversa, a software suite developed by Novatel Wireless that will offer broadband WWAN Internet access, advanced WLAN networking, analog voice calling and intelligent routing depending on quality of service and cost, multimedia application support, advanced security firewalls and protocol flexibility.

ABOUT NOVATEL WIRELESS, INC.

Novatel Wireless, Inc. is a leading provider of wireless broadband access solutions. Novatel Wireless' Merlin(TM) PC Cards, Expedite(TM) Embedded Modems, Freedom Box(TM) Ruggedized Modems, MobiLink(TM) Communications Software Suite, Ovation(TM) 3G Multimedia Application Consoles and Conversa(TM) Software Suite enable high-speed wireless access to personal, corporate and public information. The company delivers innovative 3G solutions to operators, distributors and vertical markets worldwide. Headquartered in San Diego, California, Novatel Wireless is listed on NASDAQ: NVTL. For more information visit www.novatelwireless.com. (NVTLG)

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