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Novatel Wireless' Merlin G200 Series is One of the First GSM/GPRS PC Cards to Receive Microsoft Designed for Windows Logo

Merlin G200 Series drivers for Windows XP and Windows 2000 receive Designed for Windows Logo

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA - April 11, 2002 - Novatel Wireless, Inc. (Nasdaq: NVTL), a leading provider of wireless data access solutions, today announced it has received the Microsoft Designed for Windows Logo for Merlin G200 Series Wireless PC Card Modems. By successfully passing the Designed for Windows Logo requirements, the Merlin G200 device drivers have met a stringent set of compatibility and performance criteria defined by Microsoft Corp. to insure a great user experience under the Windows XP and Windows 2000 operating systems.

The qualification also provides Novatel Wireless with a basis in which to make subsequent reseller submissions for qualified drivers branded for their customers. Slightly larger than a credit card, the Merlin G200 Series PC Cards provide wireless Internet access on GSM and GPRS networks operating in the 900 and 1800 MHz bands.

"Novatel Wireless has worked closely with Microsoft to obtain qualification for a GSM/GPRS PC Card device," said Michael Loh, Strategic Programs Manager for Novatel Wireless. "We look forward to continuing the qualification effort for our other Merlin PC Card and Expedite devices, to help ensure the best experience possible under current and future Microsoft Windows operating systems for our carrier, PC manufacturer and OEM partners and their end users."

For more information about the Microsoft Designed for Windows Logo, please refer to the Microsoft website at http://www.microsoft.com/winlogo. For more information on Novatel Wireless products and certification efforts visit the Novatel Wireless website at http://www.novatelwireless.com.

ABOUT NOVATEL WIRELESS, INC.

Novatel Wireless, Inc. is a leading provider of wireless data modems and software for use with handheld computing devices and portable personal computers. The company delivers innovative and comprehensive solutions that enable businesses and consumers to access personal, corporate and public information through email, enterprise networks and the Internet. Novatel Wireless also offers wireless data modems and custom engineering services for hardware integration projects in a wide range of vertical applications. The Novatel Wireless product portfolio includes the Minstrel® Family of Wireless Handheld Modems, Merlin™ Family of Wireless PC Card Modems, Sage® Wireless Serial Modems, Lancer 3W™ Family of Ruggedized Modems and Expedite™ Family of Wireless Embedded Modems. Headquartered in San Diego, California, Novatel Wireless is listed on The Nasdaq Stock Market (Nasdaq: NVTL). For more information, please visit the Novatel Wireless web site: www.novatelwireless.com or call 888-888-9231.