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Novatel Wireless Develops First Generation Ovation MCD3000 for North American Networks

Ovation Console Series Converges Features of 3.5G Wide Area Wireless with Fixed Wireline Service to Provide Fixed, Nomadic and Mobile Broadband Access

SAN DIEGO, Aug 14, 2006 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Novatel Wireless, Inc. (Nasdaq:NVTL), a leading provider of wireless broadband access solutions, today announced development of the Ovation(TM) MCD3000, a 3.5G Multimedia Application Console for CDMA2000 EV-DO (Evolution Data Optimized) Revision A networks.

The Ovation family of multimedia applications consoles for North American networks is designed to support both current wireless wide area networks and future 4G standards-based technologies, such as WiMAX and 802.20, for broadband access as an alternative to wired broadband like cable and DSL. As such, the Ovation series for North American networks will uniquely provide advanced networking, intelligent quality of service, and broadband access in fixed, nomadic, portable and mobile environments.

"As we see operators worldwide begin to combine standards for fixed and mobile service on the network side, we are executing on our vision for fixed mobile convergence, by deploying innovative devices that allow operators to offer more services and ultimately give end users control over bandwidth resources," said Peter Leparulo, CEO of Novatel Wireless. "The Ovation MCD3000 will allow North American operators to benefit from 3.5G spectrum efficiency, while delivering advanced multimedia streaming services."

The first generation in the Ovation series for North American networks, the MCD3000 will have a sleek and compact design. About the size of a cell phone, the MCD3000 will enable enterprise and small business users to access 3.5G networks through their desktops or laptop computers as an alternative to wired broadband. The Ovation MCD3000 will initially support EV-DO Revision A networks and feature downlink data speed bursts up to 3.1 Mbps (Megabits per second), and uplink connections up to 1.8 Mbps, and will be backward compatible with currently-deployed EV-DO and 1xRTT technologies. The Ovation MCD 3000 is currently expected to be commercially available later this year.

The Ovation Family of Multimedia Application Consoles is a portfolio of desktop and portable consoles integrated with wide area wireless technology to provide broadband communications and the delivery of multimedia applications. Ovation is powered by Conversa(TM), a software suite developed by Novatel Wireless that offers wireless broadband Internet access, advanced networking, and intelligent routing depending on quality of service and cost, multimedia application support, advanced security firewalls and protocol flexibility.

ABOUT NOVATEL WIRELESS

Novatel Wireless, Inc. is revolutionizing wireless communications. The company is a leader in the design and development of innovative wireless broadband access solutions based on 3G WCDMA (HSDPA & UMTS), CDMA and GSM technologies. Novatel Wireless' Merlin(TM) PC Cards, Expedite(R) Embedded Modules, MobiLink(TM) Communications Software Suite, Ovation(TM) 3G Multimedia Application Consoles and Conversa(TM) Software Suite enable high-speed wireless access. 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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