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Novatel Wireless Granted Key Patent Covering Wireless Gateway Architecture Including Intelligent Mobile Hotspot Products

SAN DIEGO, July 9, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Novatel Wireless, Inc. (Nasdaq: NVTL), a leading provider of intelligent wireless solutions, has been granted U.S. Patent No. 8,208,517 entitled "Systems and methods for multi-mode wireless modem," a core invention covering Intelligent Mobile Hotspot products, home automation gateway devices, fixed mobile convergence routers and general machine-to-machine solutions involving wireless gateway implementation. The patent was issued on June 26, 2012 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

"We are very pleased to receive yet another pioneer patent solidifying our position as the leader and innovator of the Intelligent Mobile Hotspot product category," said CTO of Novatel Wireless, Dr. Slim Souissi.

Novatel Wireless holds numerous key U.S. and international patents and patent applications covering elements of the MiFi® Mobile Intelligent Hotspot family of products. Novatel Wireless launched the first Intelligent Mobile Hotspot in 2009 and with that created a whole new product category in the wireless ecosystem.

"This patent also strengthens our IPR portfolio in the home automation and M2M space and further demonstrates Novatel Wireless' on-going commitment to research and innovation in the wireless industry," Dr. Souissi continued.

Novatel Wireless currently holds 45 issued or allowed U.S. patents and 58 filed U.S. patent applications, some of which it holds or has filed for in additional patent jurisdictions as well.

ABOUT NOVATEL WIRELESS

Novatel Wireless, Inc. is a leader in the design and development of intelligent wireless solutions based on 2G, 3G and 4G technologies providing wireless connectivity. The Company delivers specialized wireless solutions to carriers, distributors, retailers, OEMs and vertical markets worldwide. Novatel Wireless' Intelligent Mobile Hotspot products, software, USB modems, embedded modules and smart M2M modules provide innovative anywhere, anytime communications solutions for consumers and enterprises. 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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