

## **Novatel Wireless Takes Top Honors in Two Categories at 2011 Mobile Merit Awards**

## Leading Mobile Broadband Provider Receives Accolades for 4G Product Portfolio and New MiFi Intelligent Mobile Hotspots

SAN DIEGO, June 2, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- <u>Novatel Wireless</u> (NASDAQ: NVTL), a leading provider of wireless broadband solutions, today announced that the Company and its 4G MiFi® Intelligent Mobile Hotspots -- the LTE MiFi 4510 and WiMAX MiFi 4082 -- have been recognized as winners in the 2011 Mobile Merit Awards.

The MiFi 4082 and MiFi 4510L were named winners in the Best Mobile Connected Devices (Non-gadget) category, while the Company also took first place in the 4G Service Creation and Development category. The 4G Service Creation and Development track recognized the top company that is bringing or has brought 4G technology to market.

"We are very pleased to have both the company and our new 4G MiFi devices declared winners in the 2011 Mobile Merit Awards as this recognition highlights the functionality, flexibility and great user experience that have come to be associated with Novatel Wireless and the MiFi brand," said Rob Hadley, CMO, Novatel Wireless. "These awards underscore the entire Novatel Wireless team's commitment to delivering the most innovative and high-performing mobile broadband solutions to our customers."

The MiFi device is the world's first intelligent mobile hotspot, a credit card sized gadget that creates a portable hotspot for up to five devices/users to access high-speed mobile broadband. The latest incarnations of the MiFi leverage new 4G networks, including WiMAX and LTE technologies. The new 4G MiFi Intelligent Mobile Hotspots go beyond basic connectivity to provide advanced mobile broadband functionality for anyone looking to stay connected on-the-go. Depending on carrier configuration, the MiFi Intelligent Mobile Hotspot comes with GPS functionality, removable storage via a microSD slot and comes preloaded with MiFi OS™ with eboard widgets and application support. The 4G MiFi devices also feature an external e-lnk display with status indicators for battery, signal strength and number of connected devices.

In addition to the introduction of its new MiFi devices in 2011, Novatel Wireless also succeeded in recently bringing several additional 4G mobile broadband devices to market, including the Ovation™ MC551, MC545 and MC547 USB modems and the Expedite® E351, E362 and E371 and E373 embedded modules for use in a variety of netbooks, tablets, media players and gaming devices.

## **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 <a href="https://www.novatelwireless.com">www.novatelwireless.com</a>. (NVTLG)

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