

Velocita Wireless High-Availability Data Network Withstands Hurricane Katrina

- More Than 95% of Network Coverage in Area is Restored and Operational as of End of Day on September 8 -

WOODBIDGE, N.J., Sept. 9 /PRNewswire/ -- Velocita Wireless, L.P., a leading provider of wireless data connectivity for mission-critical applications, today reported that its wireless network has quickly returned to practically normal operations in the areas affected by Hurricane Katrina. Even during the height of the storm, the company's high-availability, data-only network remained operational with approximately 75% of normal network coverage in the Gulf area due to network site overlap and redundancy. The network was able to be utilized extensively by relief, emergency and media organizations communicating critical information within the immediate New Orleans area.

As of the end of the day on September 8, 2005, the company reported more than 95% of network coverage in the Gulf area had been restored and was operational with only four sites down in the immediate coastal impact area from New Orleans to Mobile. The four sites still out of service are in the immediate flood zone of New Orleans and the company is currently investigating options for restoring service at those locations. However, most of New Orleans now has Velocita service available, as a result of network site overlap and significant network restoration work performed by company personnel over the Labor Day holiday weekend.

Restoring full service to New Orleans remains the company's top priority. Supporting the restoration efforts are two COW's (cell sites on wheels) in the New Orleans region, one in service in eastern Mississippi, and an additional one standing by. Velocita Wireless has also responded to the disaster by providing emergency and aid crews with mobile handheld devices that can be used to send email and text messages over its wireless network. The company also continues to provide detailed network status updates and coverage maps to support its network partners such as BellSouth and TCS.

"We continue to receive and honor numerous requests from various organizations, including the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, for mobile handheld devices enabled over our data-only network, to support emergency efforts in the Gulf area," said Craig Gosselin, chief marketing and sales officer at Velocita Wireless. "By providing these dedicated, data-only devices, emergency officials can exchange critical information in real-time without tying up limited voice lines."

Regularly updated maps depicting the current operational status of the Velocita Wireless network in the Baton Rouge-to-Mobile region can be viewed by visiting <http://www.velocitawireless.com>.

About Velocita Wireless, L. P.

Headquartered in Woodbridge, New Jersey, Velocita Wireless is dedicated to providing premier wireless data products and services for enterprises and governmental organizations deploying mission-critical wireless email, messaging, machine-to-machine, automated vehicle location, point-of-sale and field force automation applications. For over a decade, we have provided direct and wholesale wireless data connectivity through our national packet data network to over 400 Fortune 1000 companies, 50 government organizations and numerous BlackBerry users, nationwide.

Today, Velocita's network covers 93% of the U.S. business population in 492 metropolitan areas and 130 major airports and is the standard by which all other wireless data networks are measured. Throughout hurricanes and disasters, including Hurricane Katrina, the Northeast Blackout and the events of September 11, the network provider that keeps on working and keeps companies connected and communicating is Velocita Wireless. For additional information, please visit <http://www.velocitawireless.com>.

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