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PIONEER IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY JOINS NOVATEL'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CALGARY, ALBERTA. - February 19, 1999 - - Following the resignation of Mr. Howard Beck from NovAtel's (NASDAQ:NGPSF) Board of Directors, Mr. Pierre Ducros has accepted a seat on the Company's Board.

Mr. Beck has resigned due to time constraints and had been with the Board since May, 1998.

In January 1999, Mr. Ducros was appointed Chairman of the Board of Directors of Canadian Marconi Company. Mr. Ducros is also the co-founder, former chairman, president and CEO of DMR Consulting Group Inc., one of the top Information Technology service firms in Canada. A pioneer in the Information Technology services industry in Canada, Mr. Ducros is also well known for his contribution to the Canadian management consulting industry as well as the education sector. A member of the Order of Canada, Mr. Ducros was Vice-Chairman of the Task Force on the Future of the Canadian Financial Services Sector.

"We're excited about the opportunity to work along side one of the leaders in the industry," commented Doug Reid. "The strengths of both companies will be well represented with the addition of Mr. Ducros to our Board."

NovAtel Inc. designs, markets and supports a broad range of products that determine precise geographic locations using the Global Positioning System ("GPS"). NovAtel's GPS products are used principally for applications in high-end markets such as surveying, geographic information systems, aviation, marine, mining and machine control and agriculture.

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