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NOVATEL RECEIVES ORDER FOR MSAS RECEIVERS

(Calgary, Alberta, Canada, September 27, 1999) – NovAtel Inc. (Nasdaq: NGPS) recently received orders to supply another 13 reference receivers to the MTSAT Satellite-based Augmentation System (MSAS) in Japan. These receivers are scheduled for delivery during Q3 1999 and the orders are worth more than \$1 million US in total. NovAtel had previously supplied receivers for the MSAS program in 1998.

"NovAtel continues to play a key role in a number of evolving GPS Augmentation networks around the world," said Tony Murfin, Director of Aviation. "Today's news, as well as that of August 9, 1999 when we announced winning an initial contract to supply receivers for the European EGNOS program, further serves to strengthen NovAtel's leading position as the supplier of choice for the world's wide area augmentation systems."

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 higherd markets such as the surveying, geographic information systems, aviation, marine, mining and machine control markets.

Note to editors: For further information on NovAtel and its products, please visit the Company's web site at http://www.novatel.ca.

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