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SIX ADDITIONAL NOVATEL RECEIVERS GO TO FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA) WIDE AREA AUGMENTATION SYSTEM (WAAS) PROGRAM

(Calgary, Alberta, Canada, January 31, 2000)—NovAtel Inc. (NASDAQ: NGPS) today announced that the Company has received another order from Raytheon Systems Company for an additional six Global Positioning System (GPS) receivers. The receivers were delivered in December 1999 and will be used as equipment spares for the Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS).

WAAS is considered to be the first step toward achieving a future integrated, worldwide Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS), which is intended to eventually replace current radio-based navigation and instrument approach systems. WAAS will reduce aircraft separation requirements, increase the number of flights on busy routes, facilitate the next generation of aircraft approach systems and contribute to the increased safety and efficiency of international aviation.

NovAtel has now delivered more than 200 receivers to the US WAAS, Japanese MSAS, European EGNOS and other WAAS related programs.

According to Tony Murfin, NovAtel's Director, Aviation Group, "These additional receivers are specially configured for integration into the WAAS Ground Uplink System (GUS). They are used to decode the Geostationary Satellite (GEO) downlink and provide pseudorange, time and message feedback to the GUS signal generation system. As the initial phase of WAAS moves towards completion, we are pleased that Raytheon has added these receivers to their spares inventory."

NovAtel's WAAS Standard and GUS receivers address the enhanced accuracy (the difference between the measured position and the actual position at any given time) and integrity (the ability to provide timely warnings to users) requirements of the FAA WAAS program. The key GPS technologies used in these receivers are NovAtel's patented Narrow Correlator, Multipath Estimating Delay Lock Loop (MEDLL), MiLLennium dual frequency receivers, and GEO signal processing.

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

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