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NOVATEL APPOINTS NEW DIRECTOR

Calgary, Alberta, Canada, October 9, 2001 – NovAtel Inc. (Nasdaq: NGPS) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Gregory Baylin to the Company's Board of Directors.

Mr. Baylin joined Oncap Management Partners in January 2000. Prior to joining Oncap, Mr. Baylin served as an Associate Director with Scotia Capital's investment banking group (1994-1999). During his tenure at Scotia Capital, he worked in Toronto, Calgary and Vancouver on a variety of corporate finance, merger and acquisition assignments. Mr. Baylin received a Bachelor of Commerce (Honours) from Queen's University in 1993.

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