

TeleCommunication Systems Executive Appointed to the TechAmerica Public Sector Board

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ANNAPOLIS, MD, Jan 27, 2012 --TeleCommunication Systems, Inc. (TCS) (NASDAQ: TSYS), a world leader in highly reliable and secure mobile communication technology, today announced that Michael Bristol, senior vice president and general manager of its Government Solutions Group, has been appointed to the Public Sector Board of Directors of TechAmerica, the technology industry's largest advocacy group.

The Public Sector Board of Directors is responsible for directing TechAmerica's activities focused on business opportunities with the U.S. federal government. It also oversees all of the standing committees' activities and sets the priorities and direction for all of the federal programs within the Public Sector Group, including its annual Vision Conference, which for many years has attracted thought leaders in enabling technology enhancement for federal customers.

"We are excited to have Mike fill this important position," said Tom Anderson, chairman of TechAmerica's Public Sector Board. "With his extensive military and private sector experience, he will bring an important perspective to our board's efforts."

TechAmerica is the leading voice for the U.S. technology industry, representing member companies of all sizes from the public and commercial sectors throughout the United States. TechAmerica is also the technology industry's only grassroots-to-global advocacy network, with offices in major state capitals, as well as in Europe and Asia.

Bristol stated, "TechAmerica uniquely connects the technology industry's top minds to build a strong advocacy organization that is dedicated to ensuring our public policy makers are well-informed on issues related to technology. As champions of innovation, its members serve as drivers of economic growth and job creation; I look forward to contributing my expertise and leadership in support of this important mission."

In his role at TCS, Bristol has responsibility for TCS high-growth government business divisions generating more than \$200 million of annual revenue, including SwiftLink(R) Deployable Communications, Managed Network Services, Integrated Logistics Global Support, Space & Component Technology and Professional Services. He has several decades of senior management experience, including prior roles at Oracle Corporation and Infocus Communications. He graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering, and he served as a Captain, U.S. Army Military Intelligence officer with primary assignment at Fort Bragg.

About TeleCommunication Systems, Inc.

TeleCommunication Systems, Inc. (TCS) (NASDAQ: TSYS) is a world leader in highly reliable and secure mobile communication technology. TCS infrastructure forms the foundation for market leading solutions in E9-1-1, text messaging, commercial location and deployable wireless communications. TCS is at the forefront of new mobile cloud computing services providing wireless applications for navigation, hyper-local search, asset tracking, social applications and telematics. Millions of consumers around the world use TCS wireless apps as a fundamental part of their daily lives. Government agencies utilize TCS' cyber security expertise and professional services for mission-critical communications. Headquartered in Annapolis, MD, TCS maintains technical, service and sales offices around the world. To learn more about emerging and innovative wireless technologies, visit www.telecomsys.com.

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