

TCS Expands Relationship With Cricket Communications to Provide Life-Saving E9-1-1 Services

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Industry's Most Proven E9-1-1 Services Provider Ensures Cricket Customers Have Access to Most Reliable Emergency Services Support

ANNAPOLIS, MD, Feb 02, 2009 -- TeleCommunication Systems, Inc. (TCS) (NASDAQ: TSYS), a leading provider of mission-critical wireless communications, today announced a multi-year contract agreement with Cricket Communications under which TCS will provide its comprehensive suite of E9-1-1 Services to Cricket's growing footprint and customer base throughout the United States, including an Hosted Mobile Positioning Center (MPC) and Hosted Position Determining Entity (HPDE). The two companies have maintained a strategic partnership since 2001.

Key to this agreement with Cricket is the proven E9-1-1 technology solutions that TCS offers. TCS has provided its CDMA-based E9-1-1 solution longer than any other vendor in the industry. Further, TCS is the only provider of Voice-over-IP and Wireless E9-1-1 that operates a TL9000 certified Network Operations Center (NOC), emphasizing its commitment to customer satisfaction, continuous improvement and performance accountability. Today, TCS provides E9-1-1 service to more than 100 million subscribers in the United States for more than 35 wireless carriers and handles more than 150,000 life-saving calls daily.

TCS' E9-1-1 solution enables wireless operators to comply with Phase I and Phase II of the FCC's Wireless E9-1-1 mandate, while providing the life-saving emergency services and security that wireless consumers expect. Using the efficient, open architecture of TCS' award-winning Xypoint(R) Location Platform, TCS enables wireless operators to properly route wireless E9-1-1 calls to over 6500 Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) across the nation and then delivers the wireless E9-1-1 call location information to the appropriate PSAP. In addition to its proprietary technology platform, TCS provides operators with end-to-end support for all aspects of deployment, including switch integration, database management, Geographic Information Services (GIS), E9-1-1 compliance expertise, support services to PSAPs and cost-recovery assistance.

"A significant aspect of this agreement is that Cricket continues to have the confidence and trust in TCS to provide vital E9-1-1 services to both existing as well as new markets," said Dan Allen, Senior Vice President, Service Bureau for TCS. "The agreement with Cricket is an excellent example of the long-term relationships that TCS strives to maintain and we applaud their success as they continue their market expansions."

About TeleCommunication Systems, Inc.

TeleCommunication Systems, Inc. (TCS) (NASDAQ: TSYS) produces wireless data communications technology solutions that require proven high levels of reliability. TCS provides wireless and VoIP E9-1-1 network-based services, secure deployable communication systems, engineered satellite-based services, and commercial location applications, like traffic and navigation, using the precise location of a wireless device. Customers include leading wireless, cable MSOs, and VoIP carriers around the world, and agencies of the U.S. Departments of Defense, State, and Homeland Security. For more information, visit www.telecomsys.com.

Except for the historical information contained herein, this news release contains forward-looking statements as defined within Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These statements are subject to risks and uncertainties and are based upon TCS' current expectations and assumptions that if incorrect would cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated. Risks include without limitation those detailed from time to time in the Company's SEC reports, including the report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 and Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2008.

Existing and prospective investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise the information in this press release, whether as a result of new information, future events or circumstances, or otherwise.

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