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Vanu's Anywave® Multi-Standard Software Radio Solution Chosen for Alaskan Statewide Rural Infrastructure Deployment

Alaska's GCI to implement statewide cellular voice and data network to regional centers and remote villages

ANCHORAGE, Alaska and CAMBRIDGE, Mass. – June 4, 2007 – Vanu®, Inc. (www.vanu.com) and GCI (NASDAQ: GNCMA), the Alaska-based telecommunications operator providing voice and data communication services to residential, commercial and government customers, today announced a purchase agreement to secure and install a multi-standard, statewide wireless infrastructure network. The system, based on the award-winning Vanu Anywave Software Radio solution, will enable expanded wireless services to over 200 of the state's rural villages.

A phased deployment is scheduled to begin in late 2007 with a pilot deployment and continue with a commercial rollout to 200 Alaska communities over the next three years. The initial installation will include GSM/GPRS voice and data services with options for higher speed data and the addition of CDMA onto a single network architecture.

Carriers are looking for a cost-effective solution to rural area coverage because traditional infrastructure solutions include only single-standard networks that require a duplicate investment in radio access network (RAN) equipment and a mobile switching center (MSC) for each wireless standard that is deployed. Vanu's Software Radio, however, lowers upfront costs by enabling multiple standards to operate simultaneously within a single base station, while allowing incremental traffic channels to easily be added via remote software downloads through a secure IP-based connection.

"We are tremendously impressed by Vanu's technology and its flexibility," said Ron Duncan, CEO of GCI. "The ability to upgrade our network to meet new services and standards through remote software downloads and to remotely monitor and manage our network to add capacity as we need it will allow GCI to best serve our geographically dispersed customer base," he said adding, "With the Vanu Anywave solution, we will now be able to bring a variety of wireless communications services to remote Alaska in the most economic way possible."

The Vanu, Inc. Software Radio approach, uses portable software on industry standard hardware, providing powerful benefits to rural carriers to enable quick and efficient upgrades from 2G radio systems to newer technologies without assuming the large capital and time-to-market costs typically associated with technology overlays. Among its many advantages vs. traditional infrastructure approaches, the Vanu Anywave solution:

- Supports simultaneous operation of multiple wireless standards in a single base station;
- Uses open standards, off-the-shelf hardware so rural carriers are not locked into a single source of hardware supply and hardware price-performance improves over time;
- Enables carriers to tailor call capacity per cell site, eliminating "over buy";
- Reduces costly site visits and speeds new service deployments; and
- Always utilizes the latest advances in computing platforms for system expansions.

"With this deployment, Vanu is effectively changing the way rural carriers integrate and operate using existing technology through Software Radio," said Michael Disabato, Vice President and Service Director of The Burton Group. "The ability of carriers such as GCI in Alaska, to upgrade remotely through software is a huge cost and time savings in deploying voice and data services to rural America."



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When completed, GCI's highly innovative state-wide network solution, a first in the nation, will feature Vanu's IP based, multi-standard Anywave Base Station technology connected to UTStarcom's MovingMedia® 2000 cellular soft switch platform to perform IP gateway functionality and will be managed by Globecom Systems' (NASDAQ: GCOM) SatCell hosted switching solution.

"Anywave enables rural carriers to increase revenue by cost-effectively supporting multiple standards on a single RAN platform" said Dr. Vanu Bose, CEO and founder of Vanu, Inc. "The GCI opportunity will demonstrate the value that Anywave can bring to rural operators in terms of revenue growth and reduced maintenance costs. While the GCI deployment is challenging due to terrain, climate and weather, the flexibility of our Software Radio technology enables us to meet these requirements with a cost-effective solution. This solution eliminates the need for costly, proprietary hardware typically associated with traditional wireless infrastructure, enabling GCI to reap the benefits of the IT price-performance curve as the network expands in the future."

Vanu, Inc., the first company to receive FCC certification for a Software Radio cellular base station, in addition to deploying the country's first commercial Software Radio solution in 2003 was named the top Wireless Technology for 2007 by *IEEE Spectrum* magazine.

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About GCI

GCI is the largest telecommunications company in Alaska. A pioneer in bundled services, GCI provides local, long distance and wireless telephone, cable television, Internet and data communications services throughout Alaska. More information about the company can be found at www.gci.com

About Vanu, Inc.

Vanu, Inc. (www.vanu.com) is the developer of the Anywave Base Station, the first U.S. Federal Communications Commission (FCC)-certified software radio. The Anywave Base Station provides significant advantages over traditional equipment designs including: simultaneous operation of multiple wireless standards on a single platform; the use of general purpose, open standard servers rather than proprietary hardware; remote software downloads to add system capacity and migrate to future standards; decreased backhaul costs; and a full range of additional capital and operating cost savings. These benefits come from implementing the high speed signal processing functions of the base station as a portable software application running on Linux, eliminating the need for specialized signal processing hardware. The company delivers Anywave radio access network solutions, licenses its software, and provides design consulting to service providers, system integrators and wireless OEMs. Vanu was founded in 1998 and is based in Cambridge, MA.