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NOVATEL CHANGES TICKER SYMBOL

(Calgary, Alberta, Canada, March 17, 1999)— Effective immediately, NovAtel Inc., (NASDAQ: NGPS) a global positioning systems (GPS) manufacturer based in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, has changed its Nasdaq ticker symbol from NGPSF to NGPS. This change is a result of Nasdaq removing the foreign designation requirement “F” at the end of stock tickers.

NovAtel Inc. designs, markets and supports a broad range of products that determine precise geographic locations using the Global Positioning System (“GPS”). NovAtel’s GPS products are used principally for applications in high-end markets such as surveying, geographic information systems, aviation, marine, mining, machine control and agriculture. For further information please visit our website at <http://www.novatel.ca>.

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