

## Iridium and Quake Global Partner to Enhance New Generation of Intelligent Satellite Transceivers

MCLEAN, Va. and SAN DIEGO, April 19, 2010 -- Iridium Communications Inc. (Nasdaq:IRDM) and Quake Global, Inc. (QUAKE<sup>™</sup>) announce they are expanding on their value-added manufacturing agreement. As part of the new arrangement, QUAKE<sup>™</sup> will integrate Iridium's short-burst data (SBD) service into its new line of next-generation intelligent industrial satellite transceivers. Quake transceivers are used around the world for two-way, satellite data communications services required for global remote tracking and control monitoring.

"We are committed to this further integration of the Iridium SBD service into our next-generation Q4000 and Q-Pro tracking devices," said Sergio Ramos, CTO of Quake Global. "Iridium offers uniform worldwide coverage, low-latency and two-way data links with high network reliability – perfect for our customers requiring near real-time data for mission-critical applications."

"This enhanced relationship with Quake, one of the premier manufacturers of satellite and wireless tracking products, enhances our ability to further serve the Machine-to-Machine (M2M) sector, our fastest growing market," said Greg Ewert, executive vice president of global distribution channels, Iridium. "We are proud to deliver global communications to meet the needs of QUAKE customers."

QUAKE's customer base includes companies such as Marine Instruments, PeopleNet, Faria Watchdog, Inc., Fleet Management Solutions, Inc. and many others.

Though only the size of a deck of cards, the Q4000 modem combines dual-mode operability over the Iridium satellite network and GSM terrestrial networks in an industrial-grade, all-in-one remote asset tracking solution.

"The Q4000 modem is designed to meet stringent automotive power conditioning protocols and power management requirements for low-voltage applications. It also incorporates an application programming interface (API) that allows developers to utilize its functions to create customized onboard applications," Ramos said. "Utilizing QUAKE's patented technology, system integrators can develop applications using a single communications protocol across multiple networks along with GPS. This functionality not only significantly reduces development time and costs, but also provides end users with unparalleled flexibility to choose the most economically appropriate network to meet their varied network needs and usage patterns."

## About Iridium Communications Inc.

Iridium Communications Inc. (www.iridium.com) is the only mobile satellite service (MSS) company offering coverage over the entire globe. The Iridium constellation of low-earth orbiting (LEO) cross-linked satellites provides critical voice and data services for areas not served by terrestrial communication networks. Iridium serves commercial markets through a worldwide network of distributors, and provides services to the U.S. Department of Defense and other U.S. and international government agencies. The company's customers represent a broad spectrum of industry, including maritime, aeronautical, government/defense, public safety, utilities, oil/gas, mining, forestry, heavy equipment and transportation. Iridium has launched a major development program for its next-generation satellite constellation, Iridium NEXT. The company is headquartered in McLean, Va., U.S.A. and trades on the NASDAQ Global Market under the ticker symbols IRDM (common stock), IRDMW (\$7.00 warrants), IRDMZ (\$11.50 warrants) and IRDMU (units).

## About Quake Global, Inc.

Founded in 1998, Quake Global designs and manufactures industrial M2M modems and controllers for advanced data acquisition, machine, process and motion control, and asset monitoring through satellite, cellular, GPS and other emerging technologies. QUAKE<sup>™</sup> is the only manufacturer of network agnostic modems, providing its customers with a unified communications protocol for data coverage across multiple global satellite and terrestrial networks from a single device. From its San Diego headquarters and through a network of international distributors, QUAKE products serve companies in the heavy equipment, aviation, maritime and trucking industries, as well as in utility, gas and oil, and rail applications. QUAKE is proud of its worldwide reputation for providing reliable, rugged, high-quality communicators to major international OEMs. For more information, visit <u>www.quakeglobal.com</u>. CONTACT: Iridium Communications Inc. Press Contact: Liz DeCastro +1 (703) 287-7421 liz.decastro@iridium.com

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