



First Apple iOS App Available on Iridium

MCLEAN, Va., Nov. 22, 2011-- Iridium Communications Inc. (Nasdaq:IRDM) announces that its Iridium® AccessPoint Mail & Web App is now available for Apple operating system (iOS) devices. This development makes it possible for devices such as the iPhone, iPad and iPod Touch to connect over the world's furthest reaching communications network, Iridium.

The company launched the Iridium AccessPoint Wi-Fi hotspot with BlackBerry support, as well as with apps for Mac and Windows laptops, in September 2011. With today's app rollout, Iridium continues to expand the universe of smartphones that can now communicate on 90 percent of the planet not covered by traditional wireless networks.

"Iridium AccessPoint Mail & Web now provides a reliable email and Internet connection anywhere in the world for the more than 250 million Apple iOS device users," said Joel Thompson, vice president, product management, Iridium. "This first-of-its-kind capability embodies our Iridium ForceSM vision — Iridium's commitment to extending handheld connectivity in places never before possible and through devices customers already own. More and more we see enterprise, government and NGO organizations requiring connectivity for their employees regardless of their location on the planet."

The Iridium AccessPoint Wi-Fi hotspot accessory is a portable and lightweight modem that easily connects devices to Iridium using an Iridium Extreme™ or Iridium 9555 satellite phone. It is available through the global Iridium partner ecosystem with a suggested retail price of less than \$200 (USD). The free Iridium AccessPoint Mail & Web App for Apple devices is available on Apple's iTunes store.

Iridium AccessPoint Mail & Web features built-in firewall protection to block extraneous Internet traffic providing data speeds up to five times faster for web browsing and 15 times faster for email. This optimization software allows for offline viewing and composition of emails. It also enables configuration and filtering of large data files and attachments, as well as mid-file restart of attachment transfers if required.

Iridium AccessPoint Mail & Web is part of the Iridium AccessPoint suite of products. This Wi-Fi suite includes the Iridium AccessPoint Wi-Fi hotspot accessory and the Iridium AccessPoint Connect downloadable application. Iridium AccessPoint Connect turns any Windows laptop into a global Wi-Fi hotspot when connected to an Iridium Extreme or Iridium 9555 satellite phone.

In order to use the Iridium AccessPoint Wi-Fi hotspot accessory and Apple iOS app for Iridium AccessPoint Mail & Web, users must have an Iridium 9555 or Iridium Extreme satellite phone with a valid subscription. Standard usage fees for airtime are charged. To purchase a satellite phone or Iridium AccessPoint accessory, visit www.iridium.com to find a reseller. In addition, users should go to www.iridiumaccesspoint.com to register for the Iridium AccessPoint Mail & Web App and receive full set-up instructions for their device.

About Iridium Communications Inc.

Iridium is the only mobile voice and data satellite communications network that spans the entire globe. Iridium enables connections between people, organizations and assets to and from anywhere, in real time. Together with its ever-expanding ecosystem of partner companies, Iridium delivers an innovative and rich portfolio of reliable solutions for markets that require truly global communications. The company has a major development program underway for its next-generation network — Iridium NEXT. Iridium Communications Inc. is headquartered in McLean, Va., U.S.A., and its common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the ticker symbol IRDM. For more information about Iridium products, services and partner solutions, visit www.iridium.com.

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