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PAETEC Receives IP Innovator Honor From Cisco

FAIRPORT, N.Y. (October 9, 2007) – PAETEC Holding Corp. (NASDAQ GS: PAET) today announced it has been recognized as the Cisco IP Innovator at CompTel *PLUS* Fall 2007 Conference & Expo. PAETEC was honored for its outstanding use of IP technology to better serve its customers.

“We’re proud of this recognition as it acknowledges the continual technological growth achieved by our company,” said PAETEC Chief Marketing Officer Jack Baron. “Our collaborative relationship with Cisco has enhanced our existing products while laying the groundwork for future innovative services to support our customers.”

Using an IP-based network build end to end with Cisco equipment, PAETEC delivers services such as MPLS VPN with QoS, VoIP Dynamic IP, and its IP Contact Center solution.

“Cisco and PAETEC have enjoyed a successful relationship for many years, and we are pleased to be able to recognize PAETEC as an innovator in the development of IP services that address the needs of today’s customers,” said Vic Northrup, vice president, U.S. Sales, Cisco. “PAETEC’s breadth of IP services, including MPLS VPN, network firewall, voice over IP and hosted IP contact center services, distinguish the company as a true innovator in the competitive communications provider market.”

About PAETEC

PAETEC (NASDAQ GS: PAET) is personalizing business communications for medium-sized and large businesses, enterprise organizations, and institutions across the United States. We offer a comprehensive suite of IP, voice, data and Internet services, as well as enterprise communications management software, network security solutions, CPE, and managed services. For more information, visit www.paetec.com.

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