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PAETEC Expands Customer Reach with New Rate Centers in 25 States
Company is a national leader in geographic reach for business local service

FAIRPORT, N.Y. – October 2, 2009 – PAETEC Holding Corp. (NASDAQ GS: PAET), which provides data, voice, and Internet solutions to business-class customers nationwide, announced that it has expanded its local telephone service to 123 new rate centers across 25 states so far in 2009. The rate center expansion allows PAETEC to provision services in new markets nationwide, giving leading local service coverage and supporting more potential customers.

“We’ve designed our organic expansion strategy to best meet our customer base where they are, in virtually any major city in the country,” said Chief Operating Officer E.J. Butler, Jr. “Not only are we building the most robust, customer focused product line in the industry, but now with a more of a ubiquitous reach in those major markets than ever before.”

In addition to its local service rate centers, PAETEC can serve most areas of the United States with Internet, Advanced VPN Applications, Security Solutions, Conferencing Services, Fixed Wireless, long distance service and many other communication services.

“Our continued geographic expansion to meet the needs of our customers has become a part of our DNA,” said John Chapman, senior vice president of marketing. “It’s part of our ongoing effort to achieve greater local service density and serve our countless multi-location customers with offices dispersed around the nation.”

About PAETEC

PAETEC (NASDAQ: PAET) is personalizing business communications for medium 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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