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### **PAETEC Expands Local Service to 46<sup>th</sup> State with Addition of Vermont**

**BURLINGTON, Vt. – February 10, 2010** – PAETEC Holding Corp. (NASDAQ GS: PAET) today announced it has expanded its full suite of communications solutions service to Vermont, marking the 46<sup>th</sup> state nationally where the company offers business-class local phone service along with a deep portfolio of advanced communication products. Both Vermont's multi-state enterprise level organizations and smaller single location businesses can now tailor personalized solutions to solve their business challenges through local telephone service, long distance, high-speed Internet, MPLS-VPN, network security and dozens of other products.

"This expansion completes our coverage for New England and the Northeastern United States" said Steve Richard, regional vice president. "Our unique style of consolidating offices and employees regardless of location through communication solutions reflects Vermont's motto 'freedom and unity'. Thousands of New England businesses have already come to trust and rely on PAETEC with their communications needs, and I'm confident that our advanced solutions and unmatched service will also greatly benefit Vermont businesses."

PAETEC is one of the largest competitive telecommunication carriers in the nation with well over \$1 billion in revenue and serving over 45,000 businesses including universities, hospitals and government agencies across 46 states. The company's broad product portfolio includes services such as a MPLS VPN to cost-effectively manage bandwidth and connect multiple locations, advanced network security products and a new "IP Simple" product combining PAETEC's award-winning SIP Trunking VoIP service and Internet with an equipment rental of phones and PBX.

Wayne St. Jacques, CIO of groSolar, an existing PAETEC customer in Vermont, said of PAETEC, "groSolar has been working with PAETEC for two years, utilizing PRI, Internet, and MPLS products. Beyond the innovative and broad product set, what's really differentiated PAETEC is the focused customer service we've gotten over the years. They're truly a unique player in the business telecom space, and I'm glad that the company will now expand their presence in Vermont."

"This Vermont expansion is just the latest example of our efforts to reach our customers wherever they are, both geographically and through multiple methods of transport," said John Chapman, senior vice president of Marketing. "We're continually seeking to expand our service capabilities in every area of the United States using Ethernet local loops, high-speed Fixed Wireless connections and adding additional rate centers nationally."

**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](http://www.paetec.com).

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