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***E9-1-1 INSTITUTE'S WIRELESS NETWORKS COMMITTEE TO
ADDRESS CRITICAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS ISSUES***

Washington, D.C. – October 1, 2003 – The E9-1-1 Institute today announced the formation of a broad based committee of industry and public safety organizations to examine implementation, performance, and operational issues related to wireless E9-1-1 systems. “The Wireless Networks Committee will help the industry and policy makers address this critical public safety issue,” heralded Greg Rohde, executive director of the E9-1-1 Institute.

“There are many challenges facing wireless E9-1-1 implementation. The Committee will play a key role in helping public safety officials, policy makers, and industry address and overcome the obstacles,” Rohde continued. Today, just 10% of the 911 calls made from wireless phones utilize E9-1-1 location technology that allows public safety dispatchers to pinpoint the location of a distressed caller.

Chaired by Mario Proietti, CEO of TechnoCom Corporation, the Wireless Networks Committee will include industry and public safety leaders. “The committee will bring together the people who are spearheading E9-1-1 implementation and help ensure that E9-1-1 stays on track,” Proietti said. “The large number of entities and technologies that must work in concert to ensure that accurate and timely location information is reliably received by our nation’s emergency dispatchers makes the Wireless Networks Committee a needed resource to ensure public safety.”

“As an industry leader, Mario Proietti and TechnoCom bring a valuable perspective,” Rohde said. “The E9-1-1 Institute is fortunate to have Mr. Proietti leading the effort to develop and recommend solutions for wireless E9-1-1 deployment.”

The Wireless Networks Committee will be a storehouse for educational materials regarding wireless networks and E9-1-1 emergency communications. The Committee will gather information on lessons learned from past experiences, review current issues, and identify E9-1-1 best practices.

Specifically, the Wireless Networks Committee will examine:

- The potential and limitations of E9-1-1 and location technology as it relates to wireless networks.
- Deployment and network interface challenges, including testing and provisioning of E9-1-1 wireless systems.
- Performance and operational issues related to wireless E9-1-1.
- Challenges for rural and small wireless providers to deploy E9-1-1 systems.

About the E9-1-1 Institute

The E9-1-1 Institute is a not-for-profit organization created to support the work of the Congressional E9-1-1 Caucus. The mission of the E9-1-1 Institute is to promote public education and awareness of E9-1-1 and emergency communications issues to advance solutions for improved E9-1-1 and emergency communications.

Gregory L. Rohde, former Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) serves as the Institute's executive director.

The Congressional E9-1-1 Caucus is Co-chaired by Senators Conrad Burns (R-MT), Hillary Clinton (D-NY), Representatives John Shimkus (R-IL) and Anna Eshoo (D-CA).

For further information regarding the E9-1-1 Institute, please visit: <http://www.e911institute.org> or call 202-742-4273.

About TechnoCom

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TechnoCom offers two location enabling software platforms. InterOps Safeguard Platform™, a modular software and hardware based Location Support System (LSS), is the industry's first Operational Support System designed to meet the special challenges of implementing, optimizing and managing wireless location systems. TechnoCom's Location eXchange Platform™ (LXP) provides an intelligent location information management and communication engine that allows location application and service providers to seamlessly utilize a variety of wireless networks, protocols and multi-vendor location technologies.

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