



## **Covad Receives *INTERNET TELEPHONY*<sup>®</sup> Magazine's "Product of the Year" Award for 2004**

### ***Covad VoIP Honored for Outstanding Innovation***

**San Jose, Calif. (January 3, 2005)** — Covad Communications Group, (OTCBB: COVD), a leading nationwide provider of broadband voice and data communications, today announced that Technology Marketing Corporation (TMC<sup>®</sup>)'s *INTERNET TELEPHONY*<sup>®</sup> magazine ([www.itmag.com](http://www.itmag.com)) has named Covad VoIP as a recipient of a 2004 Product of the Year Award. *INTERNET TELEPHONY* has been the VoIP Authority Since 1998<sup>™</sup>.

"We are proud to be one of the recipients for this award. Covad VoIP offers businesses nationwide the opportunity to affordably integrate their telephone and high-speed Internet services," said Jeff Ahlquist, vice president of product development for Covad. "Our customers have been able to significantly reduce their costs and increase productivity by managing all of their communications online."

Rich Tehrani, group publisher and editor-in-chief of *INTERNET TELEPHONY*, said: "Each year *INTERNET TELEPHONY* magazine bestows its Product of the Year awards on companies that have demonstrated excellence in technological advancement and application refinements. Covad has demonstrated to the editors of *INTERNET TELEPHONY* that its products or services are committed to quality and innovation while addressing the real needs in the marketplace."

The Product of the Year Award winners for 2004 will be published in the January 2005 issue of *INTERNET TELEPHONY* magazine.

Covad VoIP offers two services: Covad vPBX and Covad PBXi. Covad PBXi is designed to work seamlessly with existing PBX equipment. Covad vPBX is designed as a full PBX alternative. Covad and Covad's dealer network install the service, train users and provide complete customer support. Covad's Voice over IP services can be ordered directly by calling 1-866-462-3269. For more information on Covad's Voice over IP service visit Covad's website: <http://www.covad.com>.



### **About Covad**

Covad is a leading nationwide provider of broadband voice and data communications. The company offers DSL, Voice Over IP, T1, Web hosting, managed security, IP and dial-up, and bundled voice and data services directly through Covad's network and through Internet Service Providers, value-added resellers, telecommunications carriers and affinity groups to small and medium-sized businesses and home users. Covad broadband services are currently available across the nation in 44 states and 235 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) and can be purchased by more than 57 million homes and businesses, which represent over 50 percent of all US homes and businesses. Corporate headquarters is located at 110 Rio Robles San Jose, CA 95134. Telephone: 1-888-GO-COVAD. Web Site: [www.covad.com](http://www.covad.com).

### **About TMC®**

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