



Covad Communications Receives TMC Labs 2005 Innovation Award from INTERNET TELEPHONY® Magazine

Covad VoIP with Voice Optimized Access Singled Out for Outstanding Innovation

San Jose, Calif. (July 5, 2005)—Covad Communications Group, Inc. (OTCBB: COVD), announced today that Technology Marketing Corporation's TMC Labs division named Covad VoIP with Voice Optimized Access (VOA) as a 2005 Innovation Award winner from *INTERNET TELEPHONY* magazine.

"We like to think that Covad Voice Optimized Access is similar to buying your voice traffic a first-class ticket on the Covad network," said Charles Hoffman, president and chief executive officer for Covad. "Covad VoIP with VOA prioritizes the telephone traffic on our nationwide network—offering the best possible quality and experience for our customers."

"Covad VoIP has clearly demonstrated to the staff of TMC Labs that Covad's product and service are truly innovative in the burgeoning VoIP/IP telephony industry. Never before in this industry has there been a greater need to highlight the most inventive VoIP products and services," said Rich Tehrani, Group Publisher and Editor-in-Chief of *INTERNET TELEPHONY*.

"The TMC Labs Innovation Awards are based solely upon the uniqueness of the company's offering or how pioneering the particular product or service is. It is not based on company revenue or number of products sold. It is based on the concept that Covad VoIP is innovative." according to Tom Keating, CTO and TMC Labs Editorial Director.

Keating continued, "Covad VoIP deserves this great honor for creating a groundbreaking VoIP product or service. I look forward to seeing other innovative solutions from Covad as they continue to contribute to the future of the VoIP/IP telephony marketplace."

The TMC Labs 2005 Innovation Award highlights will be published in the July and August 2005 issues of *INTERNET TELEPHONY* magazine.



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.

About TMC®

Technology Marketing Corporation (TMC) publishes two print magazines: *Customer Interaction Solutions*, and *Internet Telephony*; five digital publications, SIP Magazine, Speech-World, WiFi Telephony Magazine, VoIP Developer, WiMAX Magazine; and the online publications TMCnet.com, Planet PDA Magazine, WiFi Revolution, Alternative Power and BiometriTech. TMC is also the first publisher to test new products in its own on-site laboratories, TMC Labs. TMC produces INTERNET TELEPHONY Conference & EXPO, The VoIP Developer Conference, Speech-World Conference, IP Contact Center Summit and The Global Call Center Outsourcing Summit. TMCnet.com publishes more than 25 topical online newsletters. For more information about TMC, visit its Web site at www.tmcnet.com.

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