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PCTEL Ships HSP Modem For New Notebook Models

PCTEL supplies small profile modem for Dell Latitude[™] and Inspiron[™] Lines

MILPITAS, Calif. – December 12, 2001 – PCTEL Inc. (Nasdaq: PCTI), a leading provider of soft modem and Internet access technology, confirmed that the company has been shipping its MicroModem to Dell Computer Corporation. The PCTEL modem is a 12.15-cm2 card - a MicroModem - that exploits PCTEL's patented Host Signal Processing (HSP) technology. PCTEL designed this modem for integration into the new Latitude and Inspiron notebooks.

"It is a great privilege to supply our modem technology to Dell," said Marty Singer, CEO and Chairman of PCTEL. "We believe that we have set a new standard of product excellence with our MicroModem and we will back that product with best-in-class support."

The PCT2304WT MicroModem is a software based modem design that incorporates a silicon DAA from PCTEL's strategic supplier, Silicon Laboratories Inc. The design eliminates the need for a costly relay and opto-isolators that are typically used in discrete component DAA modem implementations. By utilizing only 15 percent of the power required by a hardware-based PC card modem, a software-based modem conserves a notebook's battery power, providing consumers much longer computer usage time before recharging. Coupled with its very small (4.5 x 2.7 cm) Modem Daughter Card (MDC) form factor, the PCT2304WT offers a highly reliable and cost-effective modem solution.

About PCTEL

PCTEL is driving the evolution of innovative, cost-effective personal connectivity and telecommunications solutions including analog soft modems, digital broadband, home networking and embedded Internet access technology. The company's market leadership has been built upon a wide-ranging and comprehensive portfolio of more than 50 broadband and analog communications patents, including the key and essential patents for HSP (Host Signal Processing) modem technology. PCTEL products are available to PC and data communications equipment manufacturers, as well as a variety of vertical market OEMs. PCTEL is located at 1331 California Circle, Milpitas, CA, 95035. Telephone: (408) 965-2100. Fax: (408) 895-0178. For more information on PCTEL products, visit the PCTEL website at http://www.pctel.com.

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