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WirelessCar and Aether Systems Join Forces to Create Global Telematics Infrastructure

Göteborg, Sweden and Irvine, California, August 21, 2001— WirelessCar, a global provider of integrated telematics solutions and services to vehicle manufacturers and commercial fleets, and Aether Systems, Inc. (Nasdaq: AETH), a leading provider of wireless data products and services, have formed a strategic alliance to create a worldwide telematics infrastructure.

WirelessCar's Universal Telematics Network (UTN) combined with Aether Fusion,TM Aether's single-source foundation for wireless access, deployment and hosting services, creates a powerful telematics platform capable of supporting a wide range of wireless networks, standards, and protocols. "Through this partnership, we have built a telematics infrastructure that can support all of today's requirements for wireless communications, whether it be GSM, CDPD or other wireless data networks – and one that is ready for new developments on the horizon. Our goal is to provide the best telematics infrastructure in the world, and it starts by partnering with a world-class technology company like Aether Systems," says Jan Hellåker, President and CEO of WirelessCar.

WirelessCar will sell this joint service with a pure focus on the vehicle telematics marketplace. The partnership strategy strengthens both companies' offerings and also creates a truly global solution that gives the vehicle manufacturers and commercial fleet owners the flexibility, speed-to-market, and widespread connectivity and coverage necessary in an optimal telematics system.

"The combination of Aether's technology infrastructure and WirelessCar's telematics platform creates a powerful presence to deliver benefits to our corporate clients and the global telematics industry," says Bill Hannon, Vice President, Transportation and Logistics at Aether. "Aether is very excited to leverage its technology capabilities with a proven leader such as WirelessCar, and we look forward to a successful partnership."

About WirelessCar

WirelessCar, a global leader in integrated telematics services, focuses on offering connectivity, application services, and administration and billing solutions to vehicle manufacturers, commercial fleets, and aftermarket system suppliers.

The company's telematics platform supports a wide range of programs and services including emergency and roadside assistance, navigation guidance, remote vehicle diagnostics and fleet management. The WirelessCar Universal Telematics Network (UTN) eliminates the complexity of communicating between diverse technologies by automatically integrating and standardizing information from any telematics equipment platform, network carrier, or content/service provider.

WirelessCar, founded by three leading European companies, Ericsson, a world-leading provider of telecom and data solutions, the Volvo Group, a major vehicle manufacturer, and Telia, an innovative operator of fixed and wireless networks, is headquartered in Gothenburg, Sweden. The company's North America headquarters is located in Irvine, California. Additional information is available at www.wirelesscar.com.

About Aether Systems, Inc.

Aether Systems helps enterprise customers improve efficiency and profitability by providing the services, software and support necessary to extend existing and future business applications from the desktop to any wireless device. Through Aether Fusion™, Aether's wireless enabling technology foundation, Aether develops, deploys and manages wireless solutions built on industry standard technology and backed by Aether's expertise in wireless hosting, software and services. Aether provides the business world with a single-source for reliable, scalable and cost effective wireless solutions. For more information, please visit www.aethersystems.com.

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