



News release

AAA Alarms and SecurTek Reach Agreement

REGINA / WINNIPEG – June 24, 2009 – AAA Alarm Systems Ltd. (“AAA Alarms”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Manitoba Telecom Services Inc. (“MTS”), and SecurTek, a wholly-owned SaskTel subsidiary, today announced a joint agreement whereby AAA Alarms will acquire SecurTek’s Manitoba customer accounts and a cash payment of approximately \$1.5 million from SecurTek in exchange for AAA Alarm’s accounts outside of Manitoba, predominately in Alberta.

“This transaction will enhance our strategic position as the leading communications provider in the province of Manitoba by allowing us to concentrate on our alarm services in our home market,” said Kelvin Shepherd, President Consumer Markets division, MTS. “AAA Alarms is already the leading, trusted security service provider in Manitoba, and this deal will reinforce its established leadership in the market, improve its profitability, lower churn and present significant new opportunities to expand our successful full-service bundling strategy which combines our high-speed broadband, wireless, advanced high-definition IPTV with home security services. It is an approach that has helped MTS maintain some of the strongest telecommunications margins in North America within Manitoba, and an approach that we can now expand further.”

“This agreement will allow SecurTek to focus on geographic growth in its target growth markets of Saskatchewan, Ontario, B.C. and Alberta,” said Robert Watson, SaskTel President and Chief Executive Officer. “SecurTek is well positioned to thrive in the monitoring industry’s competitive market and we look forward to providing reliable and affordable security monitoring solutions to even more homes in Alberta with this acquisition.”

SecurTek and AAA Alarms will begin servicing their respective customers effective June 29th, 2009. Both companies will honour existing contracts and are committed to ensuring service continues uninterrupted during the transition. After the customer transition is complete, SecurTek will become one of the largest providers in Alberta. AAA Alarms, long established as the leading brand in security services in Manitoba, will further strengthen its position as the market leader in the province.

SecurTek will maintain its monitoring station in Winnipeg as it provides redundancy for its existing monitoring services and is an effective and economical complement to the Yorkton monitoring station.

About Manitoba Telecom Services Inc.

Manitoba Telecom Services Inc. is one of Canada’s leading national communication solutions companies. Its main subsidiary, MTS Allstream Inc., provides innovative communications for the way Canadians want to live and work today. The Company has more than 100 years of experience, with 6,000 employees across Canada dedicated to a

mission of delivering true value as seen through the eyes of our customers. In 2008, MTS Allstream had nearly two million total customer connections spanning business customers across Canada and residential consumers throughout the province of Manitoba. The Company's extensive national broadband and fibre optic network spans almost 30,000 kilometres. MTS Allstream is a proud sponsor of Cindy Klassen, 2006 World Champion and Canada's greatest Olympian, and a proud contributor to the Canadian Museum for Human Rights. Manitoba Telecom Services Inc.'s common shares are listed on The Toronto Stock Exchange (trading symbol: MBT). Customers, stakeholders and investors who want learn more about MTS Allstream services, markets, community commitments and record of creating shareholder value are encouraged to visit: www.mtsallstream.com.

About SecurTek

SecurTek, a wholly-owned subsidiary of SaskTel, provides commercial and residential security monitoring service to customers in Saskatchewan, Alberta, Manitoba, British Columbia, Ontario, and Nova Scotia from their state-of-the-art fully redundant monitoring centre in Yorkton, Saskatchewan. Operating a security monitoring center leverages SaskTel's call centre, network management and process expertise to provide value added services. Through their dealer program, SecurTek partners with 96 independently-owned firms including retail, wholesale and servicing dealers who provide security sales and service expertise to their customers. Fifteen of SecurTek's dealers are Saskatchewan-based firms. SecurTek employs 110 people including 99 at their head office in Yorkton. Visit www.securtek.com for more information.

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