

Onit Communications Aligns with PointOne to Expand Domestic Footprint and Add Top International Markets to Service Area

Dallas October 6, 2004 – Onit Communications, Inc. a Dallas-based company offering enhanced Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP) services to small and mid-sized businesses, today announced it will significantly expand its domestic footprint and add top international markets to its service area through a strategic alliance with PointOne, Inc., which operates the most extensive IP network in North America. PointOne's facilities-based, privately managed IP network covers 75 percent of the U.S. population and top international markets, including business centers throughout Canada, Europe and Latin America, with planned expansion into the Pacific Rim. Onit provides customers a managed IP virtual private network and delivers a comprehensive communications solution that includes integrated e-mail and voicemail, online call management, free long-distance service and simplified billing.

"Now we can expand service into other major U.S. markets, plus second and third-tier markets, and extend our reach overseas to serve customers with international offices," said Kathleen K. Hanafan, president and CEO of Onit. "PointOne's extensive network makes it economically viable to expand into new markets very quickly while ensuring customers the highest quality service standards in the industry."

Onit Communications offers customers – companies with as few as two phone lines or as many as one hundred – broadband telephony plus high-speed Internet connectivity for a flat rate that typically represents a 50 to 75 percent cost savings. Additionally, the company's customized software solution is designed to ensure customers transition from traditional PBX phone service to IP telephony without interruption of day-to-day business operations. Onit also offers onsite training and maintains a back-up tech support team in each of its major metro markets.

"We are excited Onit Communications selected PointOne to enable its expansion of services across the United States and around the world," said Sam Shiffman executive vice president for PointOne. "VoIP is one of the fastest-growing segments in the communications industry because it delivers turn-key solutions, enhanced productivity and significant cost savings to businesses by integrating voice and data."

According to Shiffman, the key to success, however, is implementation and that's how Onit is winning market share. "Now, it will have the added advantage of leveraging our pure VoIP-enabled network to deliver high-value products and services to its customers."

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About PointOne

PointOne operates the largest VoIP network in North America, covering more than 75 percent of the United States. The pure IP network incorporates industry-leading, next-generation technology end-to-end, coupled with patented, proprietary IP applications and processes. PointOne's *class of service* quality (QoS) has earned the company industry-wide recognition. PointOne currently ranks number one for performance and reliability among the largest U.S. carriers and service providers. Additionally, the company is recognized as a Pulver 100 company and was named Internet Telephony 2004 service provider of the year. PointOne, which was established in 1998, is a privately held company headquartered in Austin, Texas. For more information, please visit our website at www.pointone.com or contact us at +1.512.735.1200.

About Onit Communications

Dallas-based Onit Communications delivers hosted VoIP solutions to the desktop of small and medium businesses. Leveraging a powerful national Internet Protocol (IP) network combined with IP telephony applications and superior service, Onit offers integrated, feature rich voice and data communication services at an affordable price. Onit delivers a flat-rate broadband telephony service, which includes web-based call management, simplified billing, free long distance, high-speed Internet connectivity and support for remote offices. Onit customers experience hassle-free transitions from traditional PBX's to Internet Protocol (IP) phone service without interrupting customers' day-to-day business operations. Onit continues to grow its business through direct sales, acquisitions, and strategic partnerships. For more information, please visit our website at www.onit.com.

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