

# Wi-LAN Initiates Litigation for Patent Infringement

OTTAWA, Canada – November 1, 2007 – Wi-LAN Inc. (TSX: WIN) ("Wi-LAN") has initiated litigation against 22 major companies in two actions. The companies include chip suppliers, equipment vendors and electronics retailers. They are: Acer Inc., Apple Inc., Atheros Communications Inc., Belkin International Inc., Best Buy Co. Inc., Broadcom Corporation, Buffalo Technology (USA) Inc., Circuit City Stores, Inc., Dell Inc., D-Link Corporation, Gateway Inc., Hewlett-Packard Company, Infineon Technologies AG, Intel Corporation, Lenovo Group Ltd., Marvell Semiconductor Inc., Netgear Inc., Sony Corporation, Texas Instruments Incorporated, Toshiba Corporation, Westell Technologies Inc., and 2Wire Inc. The suits have been commenced in the Eastern District of Texas, Marshall Division.

In its filings, Wi-LAN claims that these companies have infringed and continue to infringe Wi-LAN's U.S. patent nos. 5,282,222, RE37,802 and 5,956,323 by making and/or selling various products, including wireless routers, modems and personal notebook computers that use. These patents are related to Wi-Fi and to power consumption in DSL products.

"Wi-LAN has successfully negotiated patent licensing deals with a number of companies covering a broad range of patent families and technologies," said Jim Skippen, President & CEO. "Our existing licensing agreements are a strong endorsement of the strength and validity of our valuable patent portfolio. While we prefer to resolve patent infringement through business discussions, we have consistently maintained that litigation was always a possibility when negotiations do not result in a license within a reasonable time."

Wi-LAN will be represented in this action by McKool Smith, a leading U.S. law firm specializing in intellectual property litigation. McKool Smith has successfully defended the patent rights of many high profile companies. The firm has conducted litigation throughout the U.S. and has particular expertise in the Eastern District of Texas, where Wi-LAN has filed these two actions.

Wi-LAN has a large and growing portfolio of more than 280 issued or pending patents.

#### **Conference Call**

Wi-LAN will host a conference call and webcast with Jim Skippen, President & CEO, Bill Middleton, VP Licensing & General Counsel and Steve Bower, CFO, today, Thursday, November 1 at 10:00 AM Eastern Time.

## **Calling Information**

A live audio webcast will be available at <a href="www.wi-lan.com">www.wi-lan.com</a>
To access the call from Canada, dial (Toll Free): 1.866.585.6398

International callers: 1.416.849.9626

## Press Release



## Replay Information

The archived conference call will be available at <a href="www.wi-lan.com">www.wi-lan.com</a> and accessible by telephone until 11:59 PM on November 7, 2007:

Replay Number (Toll Free) 1.866.245.6755 Replay Number (International) 1.416.915.1035

Passcode: 182630

#### **About Wi-LAN**

Wi-LAN, founded in 1992, licenses intellectual property that applies to a full range of electronics and communications products. Some of the fundamental technologies covered by Wi-LAN's patents include: CDMA, DOCSIS, DSL, GSM/EDGE, V-chip, Wi-Fi and WiMAX. Wi-LAN has licensed its intellectual property to a growing number of companies around the world. For more information: <a href="www.wi-lan.com">www.wi-lan.com</a>.

### Forward-looking Information

Certain statements in this release, other than statements of historical fact, may include forward-looking information that involves various risks and uncertainties. These may include, without limitation, statements based on current assumptions and expectations involving a number of risks and uncertainties related to all aspects of the wireless and wireline communications industry and the global economy. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not restricted to: the almost exclusive reliance of the Company on licensing its patent portfolio to generate revenues and cash flows; that the Company may be required to establish the enforceability of its patents in court to obtain material licensing revenues; that the Company will need to acquire or develop new patents to continue to grow its business; that the Company requires investment to translate its intellectual property position into sustainable profit in the market; that the Company is dependent on the performance of its key officers and employees; that changes in patent legislation or in the interpretation or application of patent litigation could materially adversely affect the Company; and that the Company has and may make acquisitions of products, technologies or businesses which could materially adversely affect the Company. These risks and uncertainties may cause actual results to differ from information contained herein, when estimates and assumptions have been used to measure and report results. There can be no assurance that such forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate. Actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. These and all subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements are based on the estimates and opinions of management on the dates they are made and expressly qualified in their entirety by this notice. The Company assumes no obligation to update forward-looking statements should circumstances or management's estimates or opinions change.

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