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POSSIBLE SERVICE INTERRUPTIONS FOR QINIQ CUSTOMERS

Yellowknife, NT, August 3, 2007 – SSI Micro, operator of the Nunavut-based QINIQ Broadband network, announced today that the recent dispute between Qulliq Energy Corporation (QEC) and Nunavut Broadband Development Corporation (NBDC) could have a significant impact on the continued operation and expansion of the QINIQ network.

In 2004 SSI Micro won a public RFP to design, build and manage the network under contract and oversight of Nunavut Broadband Development Corporation. Since the launch of services in May of 2005 QINIQ has built an impressive customer base of over 3,500 users supported by local service providers in each of the 25 communities. This success has rewarded QINIQ with the honor of being named the 2006 “Nunavut Business of the Year” and has given Nunavut the distinction of being recognized as one of the worlds 21 Smartest communities by New York-based Intelligent Communities Forum.

In April of this year SSI Micro began the complex planning required for a 25-site, half million dollar, network maintenance and expansion trip. The trip was scheduled to begin June 15th and would have lasted approximately 60 days. As a part of the planning process we notified QEC of our intentions and schedule.

On May 7th SSI Micro received notice from QEC management stating in part “**All expansions and/or upgrades on QEC property are suspended until further notice**”. SSI Micro immediately advised NBDC with hopes that a quick resolution would allow the maintenance and upgrade to proceed as planned. Unfortunately, as of today, QEC is still refusing to allow SSI Micro access to the sites under terms and conditions as set forth in the existing agreement. This has forced NBDC to take legal action to ensure the safety and survival of the QINIQ network.

Because of the current uncertainty SSI Micro is left with no choice but to cancel the planned trip and inform customers that this dispute could result in downtime, as a result of not being able to adequately maintain and improve site equipment.

“We have invested millions of our own money into the QINIQ network and we provide service to thousands of clients all across Nunavut. The recent action by QEC has significant implications for the network and makes no sense to me whatsoever.” said Jeff Philipp, President & CEO of SSI Micro. “We will do everything we can to maintain the network remotely, but until things are resolved, we are impaired in our ability to respond to problems. We are eager to see the dispute resolved, so that we can get back to the business of providing Nunavut with reliable, affordable Internet, in addition to bringing new and innovative services to market.”

SSI Micro is the leading provider of Broadband Internet Services in Canada’s North. Providing service to almost every community in the Northwest Territories and Nunavut, as well as other markets around the world, SSI Micro delivers affordable, convenient Broadband Internet.

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