



Globe Wireless appointed by Iridium as partner for **OpenPort**

Globe Wireless, Palm Bay, Fla., has been appointed as the Charter Distribution Partner for OpenPort, Iridium's new maritime satellite service.

The service uses 66 satellites to provide broadband IP data service and three simultaneous voice lines. The OpenPort system uses an omni-directional antenna that weighs 10 kg and provides a dedicated IP connection at speeds up to 128 kbps.

Frank Coles, president and CEO of Globe Wireless said, "Ship operators are

looking to incorporate ships more closely into the office environment, enhance crew voice and browsing services, and reduce communications cost overall. Iridium's OpenPort offers a simple and cost effective answer." Coles added, "Our vertical integration already differentiates Globe Wireless from competitors.

Globe Wireless is accepting pre-orders for OpenPort equipment, which is expected to be available in late 2008.

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