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Aviat Networks Continues to Expand its Support Services Capabilities in Africa, Increases Role with MTN Ghana

Company Providing Africa's Leading Mobile Telecom Operator with Critical Parts Replacement to Maximize Network Availability

SANTA CLARA, Calif., Feb. 5, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Aviat Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: AVNW), a leading expert in microwave networking solutions, today announced that it is providing comprehensive Spares Management Services in addition to its AviatCare services to MTN Ghana, a subsidiary of pan-Africa mobile telecom leader MTN Group. Aviat Networks currently provides a comprehensive portfolio of Support Services to MTN Ghana, including Technical Support and Corrective Maintenance in support of the operator's installed base of microwave backhaul equipment. Leveraging a combination of local resources, global support teams and its own ProVision monitoring capabilities Aviat Networks continues to provide substantially improved network availability across components of the network.

The company is now delivering critical replacement parts to MTN Ghana cellular sites faster than was previously possible in order to maximize network availability. AviatCare supports Aviat's Eclipse Packet Node radios that comprise the highest proportion of MTN Ghana's microwave backhaul and plays a crucial role from the access portion of the network to the backbone. Aviat has supplied Eclipse equipment to MTN Ghana since 2007. "Aviat has proven itself as a major network services SLA provider for wireless network transmission equipment, and we are pleased with their level of expertise and performance," says Sa-id Mukhtar Abubakar, SLA Enforcement Controller, Network Group, MTN Ghana. He added, "We are confident that with this new relationship with Aviat, our infrastructure management will be enhanced to provide seamless delivery of voice and data services to our cherished subscribers."

Aviat Networks also provides the ProVision element management system to support network visibility in order for MTN Ghana to monitor and manage its Eclipse microwave backhaul network. With the ProVision management tools, MTN Ghana's network management center remotely controls thousands of IP devices as well as conducts fault detection and network troubleshooting. "Over the course of three months, AviatCare support professionals visited more than 900 MTN Ghana sites to ensure network visibility to ProVision by checking all critical equipment cabling," says Deon Meyer, Aviat Networks' Ghana country manager.

About the MTN Group

Launched in 1994, MTN is a global telecommunications group, operating in 22 countries in Africa, Asia and the Middle East. The countries are: Afghanistan, Benin, Botswana, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Cyprus , Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Guinea Republic, Iran, Liberia, Nigeria, Republic of Congo (Congo Brazzaville), Rwanda, South Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Syria, Uganda, Yemen and Zambia. The MTN Group is listed on the JSE Securities Exchange in South Africa under the share code: "MTN".

About Aviat Networks

Aviat Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: AVNW) is a leading global provider of microwave networking solutions transforming communications networks to handle the exploding growth of IP-centric, multi-Gigabit data services. With more than 750,000 systems installed around the world, Aviat Networks provides LTE-proven microwave networking solutions to mobile operators, including some of the largest and most advanced 4G/LTE networks in the world. Public safety, utility, government and defense organizations also trust Aviat Networks' solutions for their mission-critical applications where reliability is paramount. In conjunction with its networking solutions, Aviat Networks provides a comprehensive suite of localized professional and support services enabling customers to effectively and seamlessly migrate to next generation Carrier Ethernet/IP networks. For more than 50 years, customers have relied on Aviat Networks' high performance and scalable solutions to help them maximize their investments and solve their most challenging network problems. Headquartered in Santa Clara, California, Aviat Networks operates in 46 countries around the world. For more information, visit www.aviatnetworks.com or connect with Aviat Networks on Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn.

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