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Vidéotron Selects Nuera Media Gateways for Cable Telephone Expansion

SAN DIEGO, DECEMBER 19, 2005 – Nuera Communications® today announced that Vidéotron is deploying Nuera ORCA® media gateways to provide telephone service to their cable television customers in Québec. Vidéotron is using the Nuera media gateways to initially interoperate with traditional switching systems. The network is designed to deliver the service, security features and 911 capabilities that allow Vidéotron to meet consumer and regulatory requirements, while positioning Vidéotron to take advantage of softswitch technologies.

Daniel Proulx, Senior Vice-President, Engineering for Vidéotron said: “As the first major cable company in Canada that has offered local residential telephone service, Vidéotron understands the technical, operational and financial issues involved in delivering competitive and successful services. The high availability features of the Nuera gateways are consistent with our branding and market positioning. We look forward to evolving our network and the Nuera gateways as we introduce distinct and progressive softswitch-based services.”

"Vidéotron is recognized in the industry as a business leader," said Bill Ingram, President and CEO for Nuera Communications. "Vidéotron has a history of taking market-leading positions on new services for Canadian cable network operators. We are pleased that Vidéotron chose Nuera to help expand their network and capitalize on the market opportunities."

Communication service providers around the world are using Nuera media gateways to provide packet voice services in revenue-producing networks.

About Vidéotron:

Vidéotron ltée (www.videotron.com), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Quebecor Media Inc., is an integrated communications company engaged in cable television, interactive multimedia development, Internet access services and residential telephone service. Vidéotron is a leader in new technologies with its illico interactive television system and its broadband network, which supports high-speed cable Internet access, analog and

digital cable television, and other services. As of September 30, 2005, Vidéotron was serving 1,472,000 cable television customers in Québec; including over 425,000 illico subscribers. Vidéotron is also the Québec leader in high-speed Internet access, with 607,000 subscribers to its cable modem and dial-up services. In addition, Vidéotron provides residential telephone service to more than 96,000 customers in Montréal, Québec City, Laval and Montréal South Shore.

About Nuera:

Nuera Communications, Inc. is a leading provider of Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) infrastructure solutions that work over any medium (cable, wireless, copper and fiber). The Open, Reliable Communications Architecture (ORCA) product portfolio helps carriers and cable operators worldwide migrate from legacy networks to next-generation VoIP networks. Nuera stands out as a leader in the broadband telephony market and helps define industry standards. Information about Nuera products and services can be found at: www.nuera.com.

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