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Uganda Telecom, Alcatel-Lucent and RIM announce the launch of the BlackBerry? solution in Uganda

Kampala, Uganda, Paris, France and Waterloo, Ontario – November 26, 2007— Uganda Telecom Ltd, an innovative telecoms operator in Uganda, Alcatel-Lucent (Euronext Paris and NYSE: ALU) and Research In Motion (RIM) (NASDAQ: RIMM; TSX: RIM) today announced the launch of the BlackBerry® wireless solution in Uganda. Under a distribution agreement, Alcatel-Lucent is providing integration and support services to Uganda Telecom in order to offer the BlackBerry solution on Uganda Telecom's network. Uganda Telecom customers will now be able to enjoy the freedom and productivity benefits of using a BlackBerry smartphone to access email, browse the web, make phone calls, send and receive text and picture messages, as well as access thousands of applications when on the move.

The BlackBerry solution enables enhanced communications and increased employee productivity for those on the move, offering Uganda Telecom's enterprise customers the ability to achieve a competitive advantage. Consumers using BlackBerry® smartphones will also enjoy the flexibility of being able to stay connected to people and information while on the go.

The BlackBerry solution provides exceptional functionality and performance together with an intuitive user experience. "Customers will be able to use their BlackBerry smartphone on Uganda Telecom's network as well as networks in over 60 other countries thanks to our 120 global roaming relationships," said Uganda Telecom CEO Eng Abdulbaset Elazzabi. Regarding Uganda Telecom's partnership with Alcatel-Lucent, he added: "We have already seen great interest for BlackBerry smartphones among a diverse range of companies and professionals. We are pleased to be working with Alcatel-Lucent to deliver the BlackBerry solution to our customers and by working closely with Alcatel-Lucent we have ensured the seamless integration of the BlackBerry solution into our mobile network."

Based on its distribution agreement with RIM, Alcatel-Lucent will provide integration services and leverage its strong local presence in the region to provide Uganda Telecom with the end-to-end implementation, launch, and on-going support for delivering the BlackBerry® service to the Ugandan market. With Alcatel-Lucent managing integration and deployment, Uganda Telecom will be able to focus on delivering customer facing services, enabling the operator to quickly meet market demand.

"This contract further reinforces Alcatel-Lucent's ability to leverage our global strengths and local presence to deliver enterprise-managed communications and extend value-added services, enabling operators to quickly meet market demand. As a result Uganda Telecom customers will be able to enjoy the freedom and flexibility afforded by BlackBerry smartphones for staying connected to communications and information whenever they wish" said Olivier Picard, European and South region.

RIM is the company behind the popular and proven BlackBerry solution, which provides businesses and individuals with easy-to-use wireless access to email, phone, Internet, text messaging, organiser and other mobile data applications. Initially Uganda Telecom will offer customers the BlackBerry® 8800 smartphone, the BlackBerry® 8700 smartphone and the BlackBerry® Pearl™ 8100 smartphone.

"We are pleased to extend the availability of the BlackBerry solution to Uganda in cooperation with Uganda Telecom and Alcatel-Lucent," said Charmaine Eggberry, Vice President and Managing Director of RIM, EMEA. "BlackBerry smartphones are a great choice for organizations and individuals that strive to be more productive, flexible and ultimately more successful in work and life."

About BlackBerry smartphones

The BlackBerry 8800, BlackBerry 8700 and BlackBerry Pearl 8100 smartphones enable users to:

- Send and receive email, instant messaging (IM), SMS and MMS messages
- Make voice calls
- Manage calendar and organiser functions
- Access the web and a run a range of other mobile applications

The BlackBerry 8800 and BlackBerry 8700 smartphones feature a full QWERTY keyboard and the compact BlackBerry Pearl 8100 smartphone features the innovative and popular SureType® keyboard system that enables a narrower handset design.

The BlackBerry 8800 smartphone includes built-in GPS functionality for enhanced access to location based applications and services, as well as the pre-loaded BlackBerry® Maps application. It also features a media player and an expandable memory card slot to allow users to play and store music and video files.

The BlackBerry Pearl 8100 smartphone has a built-in camera, media player and expandable memory card slot, allowing users to play music, watch video clips, and capture and save photos. Thousands of business and consumer applications are also available for BlackBerry smartphones so that users can tailor their phone with add-on software applications to meet their individual needs.

Uganda Telecom will enable customers to connect through BlackBerry® Enterprise Server, which tightly integrates with IBM Lotus® Domino®, Microsoft® Exchange and Novell® GroupWise® and works with existing enterprise systems, to enable secure, push-based wireless access to email and other corporate data.

For individuals and smaller businesses, Uganda Telecom will offer the BlackBerry® Internet Service, which allows users to manage up to ten supported corporate and personal email accounts (including most popular ISP email accounts) from a single device.

About Uganda Telecom

Uganda telecom is Uganda's leading telecommunications innovator. Uganda telecom provides voice and data communication solutions that include fixed telephony, mobile telephony, ISP and data communications. Uganda Telecom recently launched the Next Generation Network that delivers all voice, data and even video services over one network over IP. Uganda telecom has the largest fixed line network and is also the largest ISP in the country. For more information, visit Uganda Telecom on the Internet: <http://www.utl.co.ug> <<http://www.utl.co.ug/>>

About Research In Motion (RIM)

Research in Motion is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of innovative wireless solutions for the worldwide mobile communications market. Through the development of integrated hardware, software and services that support multiple wireless network standards, RIM provides platforms and solutions for seamless access to time-sensitive information including email, phone, SMS messaging, Internet and intranet-based applications. RIM technology also enables a broad array of third party developers and manufacturers to enhance their products and services with wireless connectivity to data. RIM's portfolio of award-winning products, services and embedded technologies are used by thousands of organizations around the world and include the BlackBerry® wireless platform, the RIM Wireless Handheld™ product line, software development tools, radio-modems and software/hardware licensing agreements. Founded in 1984 and based in Waterloo, Ontario, RIM operates offices in North America, Europe and Asia Pacific. RIM is listed on the Nasdaq Stock Market (Nasdaq: RIMM) and the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX: RIM). For more information, visit www.rim.com <<http://www.rim.com/>> or www.blackberry.com <<http://www.blackberry.com/>> .

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