

## **Private Mobile Network provides GSM coverage at Remote Site**

*- Hunting Energy Services enhance communications at its storage facility -*

**North Yorkshire, UK –9<sup>th</sup> March 2010** – Private Mobile Networks Ltd, the UK provider of private GSM network technology, today announced the installation of a Private Mobile Network (PMN) at the Hunting Energy site at Laurencekirk.

Hunting Energy provides downhole products and services to the oil and gas industry for well construction, well completion, and exploration and production. Their main UK operations centre is in Laurencekirk, Aberdeenshire and by the nature of their work, the staff at this facility move around the large site with no fixed place of work. Some form of telecommunications was needed, both to support them in their work and from a health and safety point of view so that they could summon assistance if needed.

With the deployment of this first phase of the Private Mobile Network, there is coverage of over 85% of the site and staff at Laurencekirk are able to communicate with one another and with colleagues at the main site without incurring any call charges, whilst external calls are routed via the company's PBX and charged at normal landline rates.

"The Private Mobile Network solution has been well received by staff. Signal strength is excellent and the voice quality and reliability have been perfect," commented Neil Cumming, Global IT Manager for Hunting Energy. "Experience with solutions using UHF radio sets and standard mobile phone usage had been unsatisfactory, mainly due to interference, short battery life and poor signal strength," he added.

The PMN server is installed at the company's main site at Portlethen, Aberdeen, and an existing leased line between the sites used for the connection to a Private Mobile Network access point (Pico cell) at Laurencekirk.

"Because the PMN solution is fully compatible with GSM networks, Hunting are able to use ordinary mobile phones, so costs are much more manageable and battery life is much greater than their old radio sets," explained Lesley Hansen, Group Marketing Director at TeleWare Plc.

Hunting Energy plans to extend the network in the next few months to ensure 100% coverage across the entire site.

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### **About Hunting Energy Services**

Hunting Energy Services (UK) Ltd is a subsidiary of Hunting PLC, an international energy services provider to the world's leading oil and gas companies in the upstream sector. Established in 1874, Hunting PLC is a fully listed public company traded on the London Stock Exchange.

Hunting Energy is a global provider of upstream oil and gas equipment. Sales and service operations are located in the major oil centres of the world, comprising twenty company owned facilities and a network of more than sixty licensed partners.

From this global footprint, Hunting provides high specification casing and tubing with premium connections, two-step tubing, specially threading, OEM and accessory manufacturing to support OCTG products.

Hunting also manufactures a range of proprietary drilling tools including non-magnetic drill collars, directional drill rods and mud motors.

Well Intervention Pressure Control Equipment is offered on a sale or rental basis, together with a full suite of wireline tools and accessories for electric line, slickline and braided line use. This range includes both licensed and propriety products, designed to provide the customer with safer, more efficient operations.

Full product details are available at [www.hunting-intl.com](http://www.hunting-intl.com)

### **About TeleWare**

TeleWare is the leading UK supplier of intelligent communications solutions provided as packaged and tailored application software. TeleWare's applications are delivered as on-premise, hosted or managed services to all sizes of businesses. TeleWare customers include over 23% of the FTSE 100 and approaching 21% of the top 1000 blue chip national and multinational companies.

TeleWare's applications provide business communications solutions for mobility, personal contact management, messaging and call distribution and control. Unparalleled interoperability enables seamless integration with a wide range of PBX and application vendors. A commitment to open standards ensures flexibility, freedom and choice.

TeleWare is a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner, has certification for the quality standard ISO9001/2008 TickIT and has been awarded the Investors in People national standard for training and development of its employees to achieve its business goals.

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### **About Private Mobile Networks (PMN)**

Private Mobile Networks provides private GSM network solutions for a variety of deployment scenarios including: in building coverage, remote sites, GSM infill situations and rapid deployment applications. PMN offers a viable alternative to DECT and PMR for in-building solutions and delivers fixed mobile convergence solutions to business users.

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