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# The MICROWAVE VISION Group (NYSE-Euronext: ALMIC) is awarded two contracts from the North American Smartphone and tablet market totaling \$2.9 M

• Four MICROWAVE VISION SG64 systems have recently been purchased by two manufacturers of PDAs and tablets. • MICROWAVE VISION confirms its worldwide leadership in the telecom market, where it is already used by 7 of the top 10 brands.

### Smartphones and tablets: a lucrative market for MICROWAVE VISION

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Agence C3M Michelle Amiard Tel.: 01 47 34 01 15 michelle@agence-C3M.com The telecom market constitutes 43% of the MICROWAVE VISION group's total sales in 2010. Sales were driven by the increasing market for Smartphones (+100% over the third quarter of 2010; 20% of the global cell phone market according to Gartner), tablets, laptops and Netbooks: devices that require sophisticated testing equipment, such as those provided by the MICROWAVE VISION group. The success of the SG system is primarily based on its superior performance in terms of speed and precision. One of the two contracted manufacturers already uses SG64 at another of its divisions, so their investment in new equipment demonstrates a solid appreciation of the system's performance.

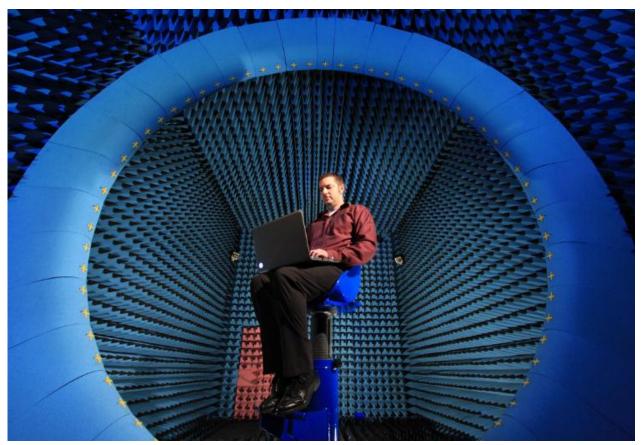
#### Hundreds of millions of dollars invested in testing

With new product time-to-market playing a major role in building market share, rapid testing solutions are a real competitive advantage.

In order to guarantee customers the highest quality mobile devices from reception through transmission without health risks, manufacturers such as the military are willing to invest hundreds of millions of dollars. The dependence of users on their mobile devices means a "zero-tolerance policy" in the event of malfunction. Manufacturers must reinforce their testing to ensure the reliability of their products at the time of commercial launch.



"Manufacturers are required to invest in high-tech laboratories and to devote thousands of engineering hours to testing. The stakes are a very competitive global market, and the sophistication of the products account for this additional investment. This will ensure that MICROWAVE VISION will continue to grow in the Telecommunications field," says Philippe Garreau, CEO of MICROWAVE VISION.



Microwave Vision test facility to test devices while in use - an exclusive Microwave Vision system which allows engineers to test devices in close-to-real situations.

The radiated performance characterization room - or anechoic chamber - provided by MICROWAVE VISION is designed to accurately and rapidly measure performance metrics that correlate to the real-world performance of wireless systems. Satimo systems are characterized by an arch and pyramidal RF absorber that is cone-shaped with pointed ends. This configuration minimizes reflections that can perturb the measurements, and provides maximum accuracy and repeatability.

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A few words on testing Smartphone antennas. Testing is conducted throughout the product design and development processes, and continues through the product launch and sometimes beyond. As a life companion, a Smartphone stays with its owner. The tests take into account various operating conditions: it is designed for phone calls, but also to connect to the Internet and many other applications. The Smartphone is used in many different positions, creating complex conditions for transmission / reception variables for the hand, head, body, and the influence of electromagnetic waves. Testing no longer measures just the quality of the voice transmission and reception, but also the data flow in a multitude of situations.

#### About MICROWAVE VISION:

MICROWAVE VISION (NYSE-Euronext: ALMIC) is a leading global manufacturer of test systems and antenna measurement in the fields of Radio Communications, Automotive, Defense and Aerospace. With the integration of ORBIT/FR, Inc. (OTC Bulletin Board: ORFR), a U.S. company acquired in May 2008, the Group was able to develop an innovative market offer. It combines precision electronic scanners developed by SATIMO Industries under its "microwave vision" technology" with ORBIT/FR's high performance electromechanical positioners and scanners. MICROWAVE VISION is located in 8 countries - France, Italy, Germany, Sweden, USA, Israel, China, and Japan, and has 240 employees. The group has a loyal clientele of many international companies. It achieved € 43.9 million in revenue in its fiscal year ended December 31, 2010. MICROWAVE VISION benefits from its certification as an OSEO "Innovative Company."

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