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## **DataPath Wins \$181 Million Prime Contract from U.S. Army for Joint Network Node Program**

**Company Continues as an Industry Leader in Deployment of Satellite Communications Networks and Services in Support of the U.S. Military's Vision of Network-Centric Operations**

### **Company Provides Annual Revenue Guidance**

**Duluth, Ga. – Oct. 4, 2006** – DataPath, Inc., a provider of satellite and wireless communications networks around the world, has been awarded a \$181 million firm-fixed-price prime contract by the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command in Fort Monmouth, N.J. to provide specialized satellite communications networks for the Joint Network Node (JNN) program. The contract, which is the largest in DataPath's 10-year history, includes satellite communications earth terminals, software and additional satellite broadband and baseband systems and services to support numerous U.S. military units.

The Company also announced that it expects annual revenue for the year ended Dec. 31, 2006 to be in the range of \$280 to \$295 million.

DataPath expects to begin production for the JNN contract in the fourth quarter of 2006 and complete production in 2007, with much of the work taking place in 2007. The services supplied under this contract will begin in the fourth quarter of 2006 and continue into 2008.

Under the contract, DataPath will deliver more than 300 Satellite Transportable Terminals (STTs), four Unit Hub Satellite Communications trucks, and several hundred spares kits. DataPath's Integrated Logistics Support team will also continue to expand its field operations and maintenance and training personnel deployed with U.S. units using STTs and other DataPath systems that support the JNN network.

STTs are versions of satellite earth terminals marketed by the company as DataPath ET 3000 Portables™. The DataPath 3000 is a compact, portable satellite earth terminal that enables secure and robust voice, video and data communications, regardless of how remote or extreme the environment. Unit Hub Satellite Communications trucks, marketed by DataPath as the DataPath DKET 4530Ku Mobile™, serve as the hub of the JNN program and allow battlefield commanders to establish communications outposts in remote locations.

“With more than 500 STTs produced for the JNN since its inception in 2004, the magnitude of DataPath’s battlefield satellite communications implementations in support of the U.S. Army is unprecedented,” said Darren Corbiere, research analyst with Frost & Sullivan’s Aerospace and Defense Group. “As one of the most successful demonstrations of rapid acquisition using commercial off-the-shelf technologies, the JNN is the largest Internet protocol-based, tactical satellite communications network ever deployed in support of combat operations.”

“It’s our great honor to serve the U.S. Army’s Commercial Satcom Terminal Program (CSTP) as they transform tactical military communications,” said Andy Mullins, CEO and president of DataPath. “Through this prime contract, DataPath continues to enable the U.S. Army’s network-centric vision with high-quality, real-time voice, video and data communications for forward-deployed warfighters.”

DataPath provides the entire satellite transmission portion of the JNN network, bringing reliable communications on-the-quick-halt to deployed U.S. Joint Forces. The Company’s battlefield communications networks and service personnel have been called on to support the U.S. Army’s 1st Cavalry, 3rd Infantry, 4th Infantry, 10th Mountain, 25th Infantry, 82nd Airborne and 101st Airborne Divisions, and many other brigade combat teams and units.

### **About DataPath, Inc.**

Founded in 1996, DataPath designs and delivers satellite and wireless communications networks around the world. The company is known for rapidly delivering reliable, mobile communications that operate in even the most extreme conditions to support customers that include the U.S. Army, the U.S. Marine Corps and emergency first responders. Headquartered in Duluth, Ga., DataPath maintains offices in Fort Monmouth, N.J., Nashua, N.H., San Diego, Ca., and Tampa, Fla. For more information, visit [www.datapath.com](http://www.datapath.com) or call 866-855-3800.

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