

## **Alamosa PCS LLC to Build, Operate cdmaOne Networks**

### **Sprint Affiliate to Buy US\$82 Million in Nortel Networks Equipment**

**DALLAS, Apr. 14, 1999** -- Alamosa PCS LLC, an affiliate of Sprint's wireless division, will build and operate wireless networks in parts of Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and Colorado using Nortel Networks cdmaOne (IS -95 CDMA) infrastructure including radio base stations and DMS-MTX switching equipment.

Alamosa PCS LLC will purchase US\$82 million in CDMA network equipment from Nortel Networks over the next three years. Operating under the Sprint PCS (NYSE: PCS - news) name, Alamosa PCS LLC will have networks in a number of cities in Texas including Abilene, Amarillo, El Paso, Laredo, Lubbock, Midland and San Angelo as well as in Albuquerque, Las Cruces and Santa Fe, N.M. and Flagstaff and Prescott, Ariz. Alamosa PCS LLC will also operate networks in Pueblo and Grand Junction, Colo.

"As one of the first affiliates to build a portion of the Sprint PCS nationwide network, we are looking forward to providing area residents as well as existing Sprint PCS subscribers who travel within our markets with a high-quality, all-digital service that is second to none," said David Sharbutt, chairman, Alamosa PCS LLC. "With the help of Nortel Networks, Alamosa PCS will deliver a wireless network that will offer all the benefits of CDMA digital service and further expand the footprint of the Sprint PCS nationwide network. The consumers in our markets will have all the advantages of the latest CDMA technology."

"As a Sprint PCS affiliate, Alamosa PCS is able to offer a high degree of value, call clarity and nationwide coverage to its customers," said Tom Mateer, vice president, affiliates, Sprint PCS. "Alamosa PCS will benefit from the strength of the Sprint brand while extending the reach of the Sprint PCS network."

Alamosa PCS LLC will deploy Nortel Networks' cdmaOne base stations including the CDMA Minicell and Metro Cell. The Minicell and Metro Cell offer future standards (3G) compatibility and are part of a flexible and scalable portfolio of Nortel Networks' products that cost effectively fulfill operators' capacity needs.