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## **Rajant to aid Hurricane Katrina Relief Effort**

WAYNE, PA -- Rajant Corporation, a wireless technology firm, is playing an important role in assisting the recovery effort after the destruction left by Hurricane Katrina. They are taking part in the **Delaware Valley Hurricane Relief Fund**, established by Congressman Curt Weldon (R-PA).

Congressman Weldon will be flying to Baton Rouge, La. early Friday morning to deliver rescue equipment already donated from local Delaware Valley businesses to the governors of Louisiana and Mississippi. Three Rajant employees, with over \$400,000 worth of specialized equipment, will be traveling with Congressman Weldon.

The specialized equipment, known as BreadCrumbs®, creates an instant, portable, wireless network able to operate in virtually any environment. Rajant has partnered with Eagle Design Group, Zcomax Technologies, Inc, Symbol Technologies, Inc, Telenor-USA, and Growth Strategies Group, who are also donating equipment and time to help with this effort

"When I saw the utter magnitude of the devastation, I knew that Rajant had to step forward and provide support to the disaster recovery," said Robert J. Schena, Chairman of Rajant Corporation, "In disaster situations, providing a reliable communications network is one of the most difficult challenges, because in most cases, and as we are seeing on the national news, the infrastructure has been wiped out. Having that communications system up and running is absolutely key in creating an efficient and coordinated recovery effort."

Rajant has participated in numerous simulated disaster response exercises in the United States. In fact, Rajant played a crucial part in the Tsunami relief effort by establishing a portable, wireless networks in a refugee camp and a body identification and reclamation center. Despite the absence of any existing telecommunications infrastructure, the BreadCrumb® systems were set-up and operational very quickly. The networks utilized a satellite uplink to provide much needed wireless broadband access and internet reachback capability. The BreadCrumb® networks have supported 60 to 70 simultaneous users at any given time with the majority of them using Internet Voice over IP (VoIP) calling services to make phone calls all over the world. In the identification and reclamation center, the network provided the capability to send DNA information back to the US for body identification. The network in the refugee camp provided medical personnel and camp administrators access to the internet as well as provided communication capabilities to friends and family for those searching for missing relatives.

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