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TeleCommunication Systems Announces Exclusive Arrangement with Cisco to Commercialize IT Communication Services on the World's First Space Router

Most Advanced Commercial Satellite Platform Enables Simplified Satellite Integration with Standardized IT Infrastructure using Cisco Internet Routing in Space (IRIS)

ANNAPOLIS, MD, February 17, 2011 – TeleCommunication Systems, Inc. (TCS) (NASDAQ: TSYS), a world leader in highly reliable and secure mobile communication technology, today announced that it has entered an exclusive arrangement to be the operator of the Cisco Internet Routing in Space (IRIS) solution using the Cisco® 18400 Space Router on Intelsat IS-14, the most advanced commercial satellite platform available today. This industry-first solution enables the convergence of satellite communications and existing information technology infrastructure. By utilizing the benefits of secure Layer 3 Internet Protocol (IP) routing on board the spacecraft, end-to-end IP Virtual Private Network services can be offered directly from space with new levels of flexibility and network control.

The Cisco 18400 Space Router allows organizations to reach multiple continents from a single connection to TCS' network infrastructure. The converged Cisco IRIS solution enables voice, data and video traffic over a single IP network to increase efficiency and flexibility compared to more fragmented satellite communication networks. Customers benefit from increased bandwidth optimization and application flexibility delivered by TCS through an end-to-end Cisco IP network. The companies foresee major opportunities to deploy cost-efficient solutions in both government and commercial markets.

“Working with TCS is a key element of our ongoing commitment to innovation in networking communications,” said Steven Boutelle, vice president, Cisco Global Government Solutions Group. “Cisco IRIS technology will transform how government agencies and commercial organizations use IP-based network services to accomplish their objectives. This is another milestone in the long-term collaboration between TCS and Cisco. We look forward to working together to continue to advance and refine this technology.”

“Cisco has chosen TCS as the service provider for the successful commercialization of its next-generation space platform,” said Michael Bristol, general manager and senior vice president of government solutions for TCS. “TCS' launch of Cisco IRIS-based services will deliver our clients greater return on investment from satellite platforms, increased bandwidth availability and greater security for land, sea and airborne platforms over four continents.”

About TeleCommunication Systems, Inc.

TeleCommunication Systems, Inc. (TCS) (NASDAQ: TSYS) is a world leader in highly reliable and secure mobile communication technology. TCS infrastructure forms the foundation for market leading solutions in E9-1-1, text messaging, commercial location and deployable wireless communications. TCS is at the forefront of new mobile cloud computing services providing wireless applications for navigation, hyper-local search, asset tracking, social applications and telematics. Millions of consumers around the world

use TCS wireless apps as a fundamental part of their daily lives. Government agencies utilize TCS' cyber security expertise, professional services, and highly secure deployable satellite solutions for mission-critical communications. Headquartered in Annapolis, MD, TCS maintains technical, service and sales offices around the world. To learn more about emerging and innovative wireless technologies, visit www.telecomsys.com.

Except for the historical information contained herein, this news release contains forward-looking statements as defined within Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These statements are subject to risks and uncertainties and are based upon TCS' current expectations and assumptions that if incorrect would cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated. Risks include without limitation those detailed from time to time in the Company's SEC reports, including the reports on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, and on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2010.

Existing and prospective investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise the information in this press release, whether as a result of new information, future events or circumstances, or otherwise.

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