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## **Deltacom and Southern Light Expand Ethernet Reach for Customers Across the Southeast**

**Huntsville, Ala., March 3, 2009** — ITC^DeltaCom, Inc. (OTC: ITCD.OB) and Southern Light today announced they have established a bi-directional Network-to-Network Interconnection (NNI) that enables both companies to expand their Ethernet service reach.

The NNI provides Deltacom with access to Southern Light's fiber-based Ethernet access footprint in multiple key markets across Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. The Ethernet access expansion complements Deltacom's Southeastern intercity network to increase its Ethernet Private Line service availability, providing its wholesale and business customer with more Ethernet locations along the Gulf Coast. The interconnection also enables Southern Light to efficiently access FastE, GigE, and 10Gbps intercity Ethernet services from Interstate FiberNet, Deltacom's wholesale division.

"The expansion of our Ethernet access capabilities into strategic metro markets helps us better serve customers across all segments of our business," said Tony Tomae, Deltacom Executive Vice President of Sales and Marketing. "Southern Light's metro reach aligns well with our high capacity intercity network to provide our customers with the end-to-end, scalable Ethernet services they require for the increasing bandwidth demands of today's applications."

"Southern Light and Deltacom have done business for years, and we are pleased to extend the relationship once again to mutually benefit our customers," said Andy Newton, President and CEO of Southern Light. "Adding this significant interconnection point between the two networks will help us meet customer demand with a scalable network for years to come."

**ABOUT ITC^DELTACOM, INC.**

ITC^DeltaCom, Inc., headquartered in Huntsville, Alabama, provides, through its operating subsidiaries, integrated telecommunications and technology services to businesses and other communications providers in the southeastern United States. ITC^DeltaCom has a fiber optic network spanning approximately 15,800 route miles, including more than 11,800 route miles of owned fiber, and offers a comprehensive suite of voice and data communications services, including local, long distance, broadband data, Internet connectivity, wireless voice and data services, and customer premise equipment. ITC^DeltaCom is one of the largest competitive telecommunications providers in its primary eight-state region. For more information, visit ITC^DeltaCom's web site at <http://www.deltacom.com>.

**ABOUT SOUTHERN LIGHT**

Southern Light is a competitive access provider focused on delivering affordable, high-bandwidth transport over its own fiber optic network to customers along the Gulf Coast from south Louisiana through Mississippi and Alabama and into the Florida panhandle. Founded in 1998, Southern Light has one of the most expansive last-mile fiber optic networks along the Gulf Coast, with over 1,200 lit buildings delivering large bandwidth solutions to telecommunications carriers, government agencies, and enterprise customers. Please visit [www.southernlightfiber.com](http://www.southernlightfiber.com) for more information.