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## **Integra Telecom Establishes Ethernet Transport Services with Saddleback Communications in Arizona**

*Agreement Expands Ethernet Services Footprint for Both Companies*

**PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 1, 2011** – [Integra Telecom, Inc.](http://www.integratelecom.com), a provider of fiber-based, business-grade networking, communications and hosted cloud solutions, is pleased to announce an agreement with [Saddleback Communications](http://www.saddlebackcomm.com), a tribally owned and highly regarded Arizona-based Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC), to establish Ethernet-to-Ethernet transport services using enterprise-class [Carrier Ethernet](http://www.carrierethernet.com) technology. This agreement empowers businesses to seamlessly connect sites at very high rates of data exchange regardless of their location within the Integra or Saddleback fiber footprints. Companies that take advantage of these new services will be, in effect, working under one “digital” roof.

“Saddleback is at the cutting-edge of new and creative technology deployments, so we’ve worked with Integra to establish an enterprise-class Ethernet infrastructure that will allow us to seamlessly provide Ethernet transport and cloud-based services to businesses on and off our Community,” said Shane Gregory, director of operations at Saddleback Communications.

“Integra is proud to partner with a forward-thinking company like Saddleback to help them extend their business,” said Joe Harding, senior vice president of product management and development at Integra. “The company’s commitment to innovation is matched only by its high-touch customer service efforts – both of which align with Integra’s own goals. We will continue to bring new

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enterprise-grade telecommunications and IT products, like Ethernet Services and cloud solutions, to our customers throughout our ever-growing network.”

## **About Integra Telecom**

Integra Telecom Inc. connects business by providing enterprise-grade networking, communications and cloud solutions to over 100,000 business and carrier customers in 11 Western states, including: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, Utah and Washington. The company owns and operates a nationally acclaimed, best-in-class fiber-optic network consisting of a 5,000-mile high-speed long-haul fiber network and a 3,000-mile metropolitan access network including nearly 1,700 fiber-fed buildings. The company has earned some of the highest customer loyalty and customer satisfaction ratings in the telecommunications industry. Integra Telecom is a registered trademark of Integra Telecom Inc. For more information, visit [www.integratelecom.com](http://www.integratelecom.com).

## **About Saddleback Communications**

Saddleback Communications Company is a Division of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. This economically progressive and sovereign community is located in the heart of the Phoenix Metropolitan Area and is bordered by Scottsdale, Mesa, Tempe and Fountain Hills. Saddleback is the exclusive provider of local services and transport services within the Community serving businesses, government and residences. It provides a large array of Data, IP and Cloud-based services to its customers and is currently working to extend Ethernet-enabled Internet Services to all Community Member Homes. Saddleback wholly owns a CLEC, Re-Invent Telecom, LLC, which operates exclusively beyond the boundaries of the Community as a provider of Cloud-based IP Telephony and SIP Trunks. For more information, visit [www.saddlebackcomm.com](http://www.saddlebackcomm.com).

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