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Integra Telecom Names Kevin O’Hara Chief Executive Officer

Portland, Ore. – Dec. 12, 2011 – [Integra Telecom Inc.](#), a fiber-based provider of business-grade networking and communications solutions, has named Kevin O’Hara chief executive officer.

O’Hara has been a member of the board of directors of Integra Telecom since 2009 serving as director, chairman and most recently as executive chairman. He will remain a director in addition to his new role as CEO.

“As a member of Integra’s board for the past two years I’m very familiar with the company and optimistic about Integra’s future,” said O’Hara. “Leveraging our strong network of fiber assets, robust IP network and first-class talent, Integra is well positioned to meet the growing demand for high-bandwidth networking and communications solutions, and managed services.”

During his tenure on Integra’s board, Mr. O’Hara has championed the more effective use of Integra’s extensive fiber assets to deliver a diverse suite of advanced service offerings.

“I look forward to working with Integra’s management team and workforce to grow Integra for the benefit of our customers, employees and stakeholders as we execute on our strategy to serve businesses and carriers across our extensive fiber network,” stated O’Hara.

O’Hara replaces Tom Casey, who was recently appointed CEO of Tronox, Inc. where he previously served as chairman of the board of directors. Jim Huesgen, who joined Integra in 2000 and has served as president since 2002, will remain as Integra’s president and will report directly to O’Hara.

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In addition to serving on Integra's board, O'Hara co-founded and served as president, chief operating officer and director of Level 3 Communications Inc. Prior to Level 3, O'Hara served as president and CEO of MFS Global Network Services. O'Hara also serves on the boards of [Elemental Technologies](#) and [RigNet](#) (NASDAQ: RNET).

About Integra Telecom

Integra Telecom Inc. connects business by providing enterprise-grade networking, communications and cloud solutions to 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 approximately 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.

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