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Sprint Nextel 4G Mobile Broadband Chief To Keynote *WCA 2007* In Washington, DC

WASHINGTON, DC (April 12, 2007) – Barry J. West, the 4G Mobile Broadband President and Chief Technology Officer of Sprint Nextel Corporation (NYSE: S), will be the industry keynote speaker on June 14 at **WCA 2007** – the wireless broadband industry’s premier global convention, organized by the [Wireless Communications Association International](http://www.wcai.com) (WCA).

Celebrating its 20th anniversary, this industry’s largest and oldest annual event will be held from June 12-15, 2007 at historic Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. It will convene over 1,700 industry leaders and high-level government officials from over 40 nations, with 140+ distinguished speakers debating business, policy, technology, investing, security and international wireless issues.

Barry West is chief technology officer and president of 4G mobile broadband for Sprint Nextel. He previously served as executive vice president and chief technology officer for Nextel Communications Inc. West joined Nextel in 1996 and is the chief architect in creating the iDEN wireless technology platform with partner Motorola. Prior to joining Nextel, he led many successful engineering and marketing initiatives during more than 35 years for British Telecom including overseeing the rollout of a GSM digital cellular network that covered more than 90% of the United Kingdom population in only nine months. West also served as director of value-added services and corporate marketing at Cellnet, the pioneer of cellular communications in the United Kingdom.

“Closely watched around the world as a pre-eminent system architect and innovator, Barry West has been leading Sprint Nextel’s pioneering initiative to build Mobile WiMAX advanced multimedia network,” commented WCA President Andrew Kreig. “Given his expertise and his company’s scope as the largest Fourth Generation spectrum rights holder in the U.S., this unique progress report will help the entire ecosystem of carriers, suppliers, financiers and end-users.”

About Sprint Nextel:

Sprint Nextel offers a comprehensive range of wireless and wireline communications services bringing the freedom of mobility to consumers, businesses and government users. Sprint Nextel is widely recognized for developing, engineering and deploying innovative technologies, including two robust wireless networks serving 53.1 million customers at the end of 2006; industry-leading mobile data services; instant national and international walkie-talkie capabilities; and an award-winning and global Tier 1 Internet backbone. For more information, visit www.sprint.com.

About the Wireless Communications Association International (WCA):

Founded in 1988, WCA (www.wcai.com) is the trade association for the broadband wireless industry, with some 250 member companies on six continents. ## #