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tw telecom Selected by Air Liquide for Collocation, Data and Voice Services

*- Multi-year contract places **tw telecom** services in 130 Air Liquide locations across the U.S.*

HOUSTON, Texas – August 7, 2009 – **tw telecom** (NASDAQ: TWTC), a leading national provider of managed voice, Internet and data networking solutions for businesses, today announced that it has been selected by Air Liquide Large Industries U.S. LP to provide collocation services, metro Ethernet and voice services to back up the company's Operations Control Center serving 130 Air Liquide production facilities nationwide.

Air Liquide offers gases for industry, health and the environment throughout the U.S. to a broad range of customers in diverse sectors from food, hospitals, electronics, industrial manufacturing, petrochemicals, refining, glass and steel. "Having a highly reliable network is critical to our operations," said Charles Neely Harper, Director - National Supply and Pipeline Operations for Air Liquide. "We selected **tw telecom** to assist us in establishing and maintaining vital network connections that keep our business running because of their proven track record delivering superior service."

"Our collocation services help protect Air Liquide from the risk of downtime, and our Ethernet and voice services help to improve the quality of their network and reduce costs," said Darin Cook, vice president and general manager for **tw telecom** in Houston.

tw telecom connects more commercial buildings to its fiber network than any other competitive communications provider, only exceeded by the large global incumbents. In fact, it has the third highest market share of retail Ethernet ports in service. With its own national fiber network and IP backbone, **tw telecom** has the national capability, robust product portfolio and national/local customer care teams to support mission critical enterprise applications and to deliver the industry's most sought after customer experience.

About tw telecom

tw telecom holdings inc., a unit of **tw telecom inc.**, headquartered in Littleton, Colo., provides managed network services, specializing in Ethernet and transport data networking, Internet access, local and long distance voice, VoIP, VPN and security, to enterprise organizations and communications services companies throughout the U.S. As a leading provider of integrated and converged network solutions, tw telecom delivers customers overall economic value, quality, service, and improved business productivity. Please visit www.twtelecom.com for more information.

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About Air Liquide

Air Liquide is the world leader in gases for industry, health and the environment, and is present in over 75 countries with 43,000 employees. Oxygen, nitrogen, hydrogen and rare gases have been at the core of Air Liquide's activities since its creation in 1902. Using these molecules, Air Liquide continuously reinvents its business, anticipating the needs of current and future markets. The Group innovates to enable progress, to achieve dynamic growth and a consistent performance. Air Liquide explores the best that air can offer to preserve life, staying true to its sustainable development approach. In 2008, the Group's revenues amounted to €13.1 billion, of which almost 80% were earned outside France. Air Liquide is listed on the Paris Euronext stock exchange (compartment A) and is a member of the CAC 40 and Dow Jones Euro Stoxx 50 indexes. www.airliquide.com

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