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RE: TRAGIC ACCIDENT IN ENTERPRISE, NT

Yellowknife, NT, Canada – On Friday, October 28th, 2005, two SSI Micro employees were killed in a tragic accident in Enterprise, NT. Richard Sanderson and Dennis Thurber were erecting a communications tower, which appears to have come into contact with high power lines. Rick and Dennis were both residents of Fort Providence, and will be missed dearly by their families, friends, co-workers and community. SSI Micro was founded in Fort Providence, and this accident has had a profound effect on everyone in and around the community.

Jeff Philipp, our president, has been in Hay River since first hearing the tragic news. He issued the following statement.

“I am unable to express how deeply the events of last Friday have hurt us. My family grew up with Rick and Dennis in Fort Providence, and this event is like nothing we could have ever imagined. Our only priority right now is to try and provide as much support to the families and to the community as we can. In a small community like Fort Providence, any death is felt by everyone. To lose two close friends as suddenly as this is unimaginable. Authorities are investigating the accident and when their investigation is complete we hope to understand how this could have happened. There will be a service in Fort Providence this coming Tuesday and we hope that anyone who knew Dennis or Rick will be able to attend.”

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