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### PCT Releases New Bypass Drop Amplifier

**GILBERT, AZ, June, 2006** - PCT International, Inc. (PCT), a leading manufacturer of RF drop and optical networking products, announced today that its Bypass Drop Amplifier is ready for market release.

"Our new bypass drop amplifier design goes along with our motif of creating innovative solutions to industry dilemmas," explains Chris Egan, VP Product Management. "We understand the need for consumers to provide a reliable communication line for their subscribers. With the increasing demand for Triple Play (video, voice, and data) services, particularly VoIP, a failsafe communication link is becoming more of a requirement than a benefit."

In normal operating mode, the 1 GHz bypass amplifiers provide ultra-low noise amplification of forward path broadband signals. Return path signals pass through the amplifier with or without amplification, depending on the model. In the event of a power or amplifier failure, the amplifier switches to bypass mode creating a nearly lossless connection to the bypass port. The bypass drop amplifier returns to normal operating mode once the power problem is fixed. In conjunction with a multimedia terminal adapter (MTA) on battery backup, PCT's bypass drop amplifiers allow the subscriber an E911 connection at all times. These units offer great RF performance, excellent RFI and environmental shielding protection, and IEEE Category B3 6 kV, 3 kA combination wave surge protection on all RF ports. All "F" ports also include PCT's patented Digital Seizure Mechanism™ (DSM) for superior center conductor retention and electrical performance.

Visit the PCT booth #873 at the SCTE Cable-Tec Expo in Denver, CO to see demonstrations and samples of this and other PCT products.

#### About PCT International, Inc.

Founded in 1997, PCT International, Inc. (PCT) is a leading worldwide manufacturer of high-performance optical networking and RF products for broadband communication networks. PCT is headquartered in Gilbert, AZ and is a subsidiary of Andes, Inc. More information about PCT and its products is available at [www.pctinternational.com](http://www.pctinternational.com).

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