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## PRESS RELEASE

### Eagle Satellite and Blackfoot partner to offer Television Services

September 21, 2006 Missoula, Mont – Blackfoot Telecommunications Group announced Thursday its new partnership with Eagle Satellite - an independent reseller of DISH Network. The collaboration is a significant business move that enhances Blackfoot and Eagle Satellite service offerings.

The addition of DISH Network to Blackfoot's services positions the company as a full-service entertainment and communications provider. "Our relationship with Eagle provides Blackfoot customers in Missoula even more options for services, and at a lower price than currently available elsewhere," said Kevin Amazon, Blackfoot's VP of Sales and Marketing."

The DISH package complements Blackfoot's current phone and high-speed Internet services. "Consumers can now get all of their television, phone and high-speed Internet services locally from Blackfoot," said Amazon. DISH Network is now a major part of Blackfoot's bundled services in Missoula and will soon be offered in Blackfoot's rural cooperative areas.

Pat Gordon, president of Eagle Satellite said, "We are extremely excited about the opportunity to provide quality telecommunications services from such a venerable company as Blackfoot Communications. Providing high-quality entertainment, phone service and Internet at a very reasonable price will be a great benefit to all the people of Western Montana."

Eagle Satellite is Missoula's oldest and largest satellite dealer and independent reseller of DISH Network. Eagle employs more than 30 people and has offices in Missoula, Butte, Great Falls & Bozeman.

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#### About Blackfoot Telecommunications Group

Named after the Blackfoot River running through much of the territory it serves, the Blackfoot (Blackfoot) Telecommunications Group was originally established in 1954 as Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative. Blackfoot offers state-of-the-art telecommunications, Internet and data solutions to customers in Missoula and throughout Montana and Idaho. Headquartered in Missoula, Montana, Blackfoot employs more than 165 Montanans. Blackfoot can be reached at 406-541-5000 or through its web site at <http://www.blackfoot.com>.

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