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IBEC to Present at Touchstone Energy *NET2004* Conference

Huntsville, AL: January 2, 2004 - International Broadband Electric Communications, Inc. (IBEC), a leading provider of broadband-over-powerline (BPL) solutions, today announced it will participate in the Touchstone Energy *New and Emerging Technologies (NET2004) Conference*, to be held January 13-16, 2004, at the Doral Golf Resort and Spa in Miami, FL.

NET2004, sponsored by Touchstone Energy Cooperatives and held in conjunction with the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA), is the fifth annual gathering of Electric Cooperative professionals to learn about the latest utility technologies and explore industry trends that will affect and strengthen the utility industry during the coming year.

Steve Turner, Chief Operating Officer of IBEC, will address the Conference on Thursday, January 15th on the subject, "Broadband Over Powerlines: A Solution for the Digital Divide and Video Security." The presentation will explain how the existing power lines can be used to provide broadband Internet services to utility customers as well as providing real-time video security and surveillance services for the electric utility. Presenting with Turner will be Michael McWaters, Vice President of Member Services and Community Development at Cullman Electric Cooperative in Cullman, AL, a pilot customer for IBEC in the exciting new broadband-over-powerline arena. Turner will explain the technical and market details of BPL, while McWaters will address the advantages and opportunities afforded by BPL to Electric Cooperatives and their members.

According to Scott Lee, President and CEO of IBEC, the Company uses a utility's existing power lines to provide always-on, "broadband to the power outlet" to customers of electric utilities as well as cost-effective video surveillance and security services for utilities and their customers. Lee noted that "many rural and remote areas of the U.S. are served only by a power line, and IBEC's BPL Internet access system provides the best and most economical solution for broadband access in these areas. In many areas, the power line is the *only* way for consumers to get broadband service."

About IBEC

IBEC, Inc. is a full-service provider of broadband-over-powerline Internet access solutions and services, security systems, and electric utility management and control solutions. IBEC's solutions are conditionally approved by RUS for installation on electric utility networks and are designed to provide superior broadband services to all utility customers, both urban and rural, by providing the most cost-effective, reliable, and easy-to-deploy solution available. Via its innovative approach and solutions, IBEC is committed to *EmPOWERing the World's Broadband™*.

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