

## **MITSUI & CO. MAKES \$50 MILLION INVESTMENT IN BRIGHTSTAR**

**MIAMI -August 14, 2006** - Brightstar Corp., the leading wireless distribution and supply chain solutions company in the world, announced today they have completed a US \$50 million investment with Mitsui & Co., Ltd. (hereinafter "Mitsui")

Under the terms of the investment, Mitsui will hold one of the largest shareholder positions and will have a seat on Brightstar's board of directors.

According to the two companies, the investment will support Brightstar's global expansion activities with a focus on identifying and collaborating on business opportunities throughout the world, especially in the Asia-Pacific Region.

Mitsui and Brightstar are currently working together in Australia and have also agreed to jointly evaluate opportunities in the fast-growing Asia-Pacific market. The companies are focusing on Brightstar's new operations in Southeast Asia with regional headquarters in Singapore supporting the Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand and Vietnam.

Mitsui's Information, Electronic and Telecommunications Business Unit focuses on the fast-growing mobile handset business as one of its key business domains, and has been active in the business of selling system solutions, providing mobile content service, and distributing mobile handsets, through both domestic and overseas subsidiaries and partners. Mitsui seeks to further expand its mobile related business overseas by strengthening its business collaboration and alliance with Brightstar.

Since its inception in 1997, Brightstar has provided integrated supply chain, logistics and distribution services to mobile handset vendors and mobile operators. Today, Brightstar's geographic coverage includes over 40 facilities delivering devices and solutions in over 30 countries. In the fiscal year ended Dec 31, 2005, Brightstar exceeded US \$2.2 billion in revenue, making it the largest wireless distribution and supply chain solutions company in the world.

### **About Brightstar**

Brightstar Corp. is the largest wireless distributor and supply chain solutions provider in the world. Headquartered in Miami, FL, Brightstar has facilities in over 30 countries, serving customers on six continents. The company provides solutions to over 220 network operators and 25,000 MVNOs, resellers, retailers and agents around the world and also represents many of the world's leading wireless manufacturers. In 2005, Brightstar exceeded \$2.25 billion in revenue. For more information, visit [www.brightstarcorp.com](http://www.brightstarcorp.com) .

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