

Appia Communications Scores Ranking as One of America's Fastest Growing Companies for Fifth Straight Year | One of a handful of companies to be recognized five years in row by the Inc. 5000

TRAVERSE CITY, MI - August 23, 2011 - Appia Communications, a leading provider of managed communications and network services, was again named to Inc. magazine's list of the nation's 5,000 fastest growing private companies.

Appia moved up 250 places to a ranking of 2611 on this year's list, which measures revenue growth from 2007 through 2010.

"We are delighted to be included for a fifth straight year. Key to this success is the hard work of our team and partners," said Victor von Schlegell, president of Appia Communications. "To grow in this challenging economy requires maintaining innovation while delivering quality. This award demonstrates our success in both."

Appia offers a complete range of communication services including hosted and SIP trunking-based VoIP, private networking via MPLS, Internet access, video conferencing, and network monitoring and management services.

"In this past year, we introduced new products; improved existing ones, and integrated two acquisitions, all in an effort to meet our customers' evolving needs," continued von Schlegell.

To qualify for the Inc. 5000, companies must be based in the U.S., privately held, and independent throughout the four years studied.

To learn more about Appia please visit www.appiaservices.com or call 877-277-4297.

About Inc. Magazine

Founded in 1979 and acquired in 2005 by Mansueto Ventures LLC, Inc. (www.inc.com) is the only major business magazine dedicated exclusively to owners and managers of growing private companies that delivers real solutions for today's innovative company builders. With a total paid circulation of 710,106, Inc. provides hands-on tools and market-tested strategies for managing people, finances, sales, marketing, and technology.



About Appia Communications

Appia Communications is a leading provider of managed communication and network services, with a focus on small to midsize companies and organizations. Appia's solutions help customers minimize capital investments, reduce costs, enhance employee productivity, improve customer care, and compete more effectively against much larger enterprises.

Headquartered in Traverse City, Michigan, Appia serves markets nationwide, with operations in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Detroit, Houston, Indianapolis, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle, St. Louis and Washington D.C.

Appia has been recognized as one of America's fastest-growing private companies for five straight years (Inc., 2007-11); one of the fastest-growing solution providers in the technology industry (CRN, 2009); and one of the top managed service providers in the world (MSPmentor, 2009-10). Appia has also been named one of the 2010 Michigan 50 Companies to Watch by the Edward Lowe Foundation.