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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

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OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of March 2005

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ALVARION LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

21A Habarzel Street, Tel Aviv 69710, Israel

(Address of principal executive office)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ALVARION LTD.

Date: March 7, 2005

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

BLUE SKY NET AND W3 CONNEX INSTALL ALVARION'S
WIRELESS BROADBAND NETWORK TO CONNECT 121 COMMUNITIES IN
ONTARIO, CANADA

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Community-Based Network To Cover Population Of 117,000 Over 50,000 Square
Kilometers of Rural Terrain

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Mountain View, California, City of North Bay, Ontario, Canada, March 1, 2005 - Alvarion Ltd, (NASDAQ: ALVR), the global leader in wireless broadband solutions and specialized mobile systems, and Blue Sky Net, a non-profit Canadian community-based network (CBN) today announced the launch of a regional wireless broadband network in rural Ontario, Canada using Alvarion's BreezeACCESS VL. The CBN will cover 121 communities over 50,000 square kilometers. Alvarion has received orders to supply over \$1 million of broadband wireless equipment.

Civic leaders have been working to attract new companies to the Blue Sky Region, such as technology firms, but most area residents lack high-speed Internet availability and the 117,000 population spread over such a large area make using wired infrastructure cost prohibitive. Formed to champion the provision of broadband services to rural areas, the non-profit Blue Sky Net secured critical funding from Canada's federal Broadband for Rural and Northern Development, or BRAND, program and the provincial government of Ontario. W3 Connex Inc. was chosen as the owner operator partner for the project and will provide approximately two-thirds of the total CAPEX for this project. mmwave Technologies Inc., an Alvarion partner, is W3's wireless integrator partner spearheading the designing and building of the entire network.

"We are very excited that our partnership with Alvarion has allowed us to meet W3's requirement to build a broadband network for the Blue Sky Region project and believe that the combination of our wireless engineering expertise with Alvarion's industry leading products will enable W3 to

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meet or exceed it's vision of becoming the industry leader in its market space," said Brad Poulos, President of mmwave Technologies.

"The Blue Sky project shows what is possible when civic leaders and private industry work together to solve problems," noted Scott Mannering, manager of the Blue Sky project. "But even with great intentions, none of this would have been possible without the vision and hard work of W3 Connex, the superior wireless engineering abilities of mmwave technologies, and the tremendous capabilities of the Alvarion solution. Our region is known for its timber, so we never imagined this was possible with wireless."

"We have already heard from many local residents who want the ability to go online to upgrade their skills right from their own homes, something that now requires travel and time away from the community," commented Brian Walters, President and CEO, W3 Connex Inc. "It's great that so many people in Northern Ontario know that broadband access provides tremendous value for little cost. It's a win-win, for the resident, for the community and for us as an operator."

"Alvarion is delighted to participate in this unique collaboration that brings broadband to rural Canadian communities. The economic benefits to the community reinforces why BreezeACCESS is the world's number one wireless broadband solution," said Amir Rosenzweig, President of Alvarion, Inc. "The vision and commitment of community champions, like those found at every level of the Blue Sky project, to bring cost effective technologies such as wireless broadband into widespread civic use is a model for duplication all throughout Canada."

About W3 Connex Inc.

W3 offers high-speed connectivity solutions that use redundant fibre-based backbone networks (where available) and fixed wireless systems that

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are engineered to the highest level of performance and availability. W3 utilizes "best-in-class" wireless technologies from industry leading manufacturers and plans to replicate its business model into other regions of Canada and the US once successfully deployed in Ontario. The company's website is www.w3connex.com.

About mmwave Technologies Inc

Founded in 1991, mmwave Technologies is one of Canada's fastest growing communication companies. The company provides a full range of wireless and networking solutions including components, test systems, and turnkey networks. mmwave is an award winning, Canadian-owned, ISO 9000 registered company. The company's website is www.mmwave.com.

About Alvarion

With more than 2 million units deployed in 130 countries, Alvarion is the worldwide leader in wireless broadband providing systems to carriers, ISPs and private network operators.

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Leading the WiMAX revolution, Alvarion has the most extensive deployments and proven product portfolio in the industry covering the full range of frequency bands. Alvarion's products enable the delivery of business and residential broadband access, corporate VPNs, toll quality telephony, mobile base station feeding, Hotspot coverage extension, community interconnection, and public safety communications. Alvarion works with several top OEM providers and over 200 local partners to support its diverse global customer base in solving their last-mile challenges.

As a wireless broadband pioneer, Alvarion has been driving and delivering innovations for over 10 years from core technology developments to creating and promoting industry standards. Leveraging its key roles in the IEEE and HiperMAN standards committees and experience deploying OFDM-based systems, the company's prominent work in the WiMAX ForumTM is focused on increasing widespread adoption of standards-based products in the wireless broadband market.

For more information, visit Alvarion's World Wide Web site at www.alvarion.com

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