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For the month of August 2006
Commission File Number: 0-30628 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: August 15, 2006 By: <u>/s/ Dafna Gruber</u>

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

WIMAX TELECOM SELECTS ALVARION TO EXPAND ITS WIMAX NETWORKS IN AUSTRIA, SLOVAKIA

Pan European WiMAX Carrier Uses BreezeMAXTM 3500 to Offer Toll Quality Voice and Broadband Data Services to Residential and Other Subscribers

TEL AVIV, Israel, August 15, 2006 — Alvarion Ltd. (NASDAQ:ALVR), the world's leading provider of wireless broadband solutions and specialized mobile networks, today announced that WiMAX Telecom AG, the first pan European WiMAX carrier, has again selected its BreezeMAX 3500 expanding its WiMAX networks in Austria and Slovakia. Upon acquiring its nationwide 3.5 GHz license last year, WiMAX Telecom first began building its WiMAX network with Alvarion's BreezeMAX and now plans to deploy more than 10,000 additional BreezeMAX PRO CPEs by the end of 2006.

"Expanding our networks using Alvarion's WiMAX systems makes good business sense for us," said Dov Bar-Gera, chairman of WiMAX Telecom AG. "Last year, we first selected BreezeMAX because it met our extensive requirements and rigid evaluation as a robust system to handle our sometimes inclement local weather, conditions in the landscapes of Austria and Slovakia. Building on our initial success, we look forward to additional roll outs of WiMAX services in other regions where we hold 3.5GHz licenses."

BreezeMAX is Alvarion's award-winning WiMAX platform designed from the ground up according to the IEEE 802.16 standards and uses OFDM technology for advanced non-line-of-sight (NLOS) functionality. Its carrier-class design supports broadband speeds and quality of service (QoS) to enable carriers to offer triple play broadband services to thousands of subscribers in a single base station. Since its launch in mid-2004, BreezeMAX has been successfully deployed in over 180 installations in more than 80 countries around the world.

"WiMAX Telecom is part of a new breed of 'innovative challenger' carriers who are leveraging the advanced technological and economic benefits of WiMAX to build broadband networks quickly and cost effectively," commented Tzvika Friedman, president and CEO of Alvarion. "We are pleased with their success using BreezeMAX to offer broadband data and toll quality voice services to their subscribers. Our continuing innovation and leadership in WiMAX worldwide, coupled with the network building activities of forward thinking carriers such as WiMAX Telecom, means that the mass availability of broadband services and personal broadband services is fast approaching."

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About WiMAX Telecom

WiMAX Telecom AG is the holding company for the Austrian WiMAX Telecom GmbH, the Slovakian WiMAX Telecom s.r.o. and the Croatian WiMAX Telecom d.o.o. The WiMAX services include wireless Internet access, VoIP telephony and "last mile alternatives" for private and business customers.

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About Alvarion

With more than 2 million units deployed in 150 countries, Alvarion is the world's leading provider of innovative wireless network solutions enabling *personal broadband* services to improve lifestyles and productivity with portable and mobile data, VoIP, video and other applications. Providing systems to carriers, ISPs and private network operators, the company also supplies solutions to extend coverage of GSM and CDMA mobile networks to developing countries and other hard to serve areas.

Leading the WiMAX revolution, Alvarion has the most extensive deployments and proven product portfolio in the industry covering the full range of frequency bands with both fixed and mobile solutions. 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, public safety communications, and mobile voice and data. Alvarion works with several global OEM providers and more than 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 more than 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 in deploying OFDM-based systems, the Company's prominent work in the WiMAX ForumTM is focused on increasing the widespread adoption of standards-based products in the wireless broadband market and leading the entire industry to mobile WiMAX solutions.

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

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