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## **Westell Technologies Announces Agreement to Sell Its Conference Plus Subsidiary to Arkadin**

AURORA, Ill.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Westell Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTL), a leading provider of broadband products, outside plant telecommunications equipment and conferencing services, today announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement to sell its subsidiary Conference Plus, Inc. to a subsidiary of Arkadin S.A.S. for approximately \$41 million in cash, subject to certain adjustments. For the 12 months ended September 30, 2011, Conference Plus had revenues of \$43.1 million and operating income of \$5.1 million. The transaction is subject to limited closing conditions and is expected to close December 31, 2011. Westell anticipates recognizing a gain on the transaction of approximately \$20 million after taxes.

“Conference Plus is a well-run operation that has contributed significantly to Westell over many years,” said Rick Gilbert, Westell’s chairman and chief executive officer. “While we are proud of its accomplishments, we have concluded that it should be even more successful as a part of a larger conferencing business. We think the combination of Conference Plus with Arkadin is the right opportunity, benefiting customers and both organizations. The sale is also good for Westell and will allow us to focus on growing our core telecommunications networking equipment business.”

### **About Westell**

Westell Technologies, Inc., headquartered in Aurora, Illinois, is a holding company for Westell, Inc. and Conference Plus, Inc. Westell, Inc. designs, distributes, markets and services a broad range of broadband customer-premises equipment, digital transmission, remote monitoring, power distribution and demarcation products used by telephone companies and other telecommunications service providers. Conference Plus, Inc. is a leading global provider of audio, web, video and IP conferencing services. Additional information can be obtained by visiting <http://www.westell.com> and <http://www.conferenceplus.com>.

### **About Arkadin**

Arkadin is a global Collaboration Service Provider, offering audio, web, and video conferencing, online events, and unified communication solutions. Arkadin enables organizations to communicate and collaborate using customizable, cost-efficient, user-friendly solutions. Founded in 2001, Arkadin has 47 operating centers in 28 countries

throughout Asia, Europe, Middle East, Africa and North America, offering a full suite of remote collaboration solutions to more than 14,000 clients. To find out more about Arkadin please visit [www.arkadin.com](http://www.arkadin.com).

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