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### **Hughes Looks to the Future and Celebrates the Past at Comsys VSAT2011**

*CTO Adrian Morris Will Discuss New Ka-Band Consumer Broadband Services and Reflect on 40 Years of Hughes Innovation*

**Milton Keynes, UK, xx September 2011**—Hughes Network Systems, LLC (Hughes) will showcase its latest consumer broadband offering and look back on the company's 40-year track record of innovation at this year's Comsys VSAT conference.

In his keynote speech, Adrian Morris, chief technology officer at Hughes, will explain current Ka-band developments and their likely impact on the future of the broadband satellite market. He will also explore the company's pioneering approach in pushing the frontiers of satellite communications.

Hughes is the principal sponsor of Comsys VSAT2011, the only event to focus solely on VSAT technologies, products, services, and applications. It attracts high-profile speakers from across the satellite industry, enabling delegates to share experiences and examples of customer applications from around the world.

Hughes will demonstrate its new Ka-band broadband services at this year's conference. "The world of satellite communications is changing dramatically," says Christopher Britton, managing director, Hughes Europe. "The launch of Ka-band services is revolutionising the availability of cost-effective broadband to businesses and consumers alike."

Hughes continues to invest heavily in future satellite broadband technologies and delegates will be able to discuss Hughes' latest generation, high-performance satellite platforms and their suitability for both large and small corporate networks.

With more than 620,000 HughesNet<sup>®</sup> subscribers in North America alone, Hughes remains the world leader in the consumer satellite broadband market. "Our strategy is to build on this success," says Britton, "by working with a strong VAR network across Europe to provide an affordable and competitive consumer satellite offering."

Comsys VSAT2011 will be held at the Waldorf Hotel, London, from September 14-16.

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**About Hughes Europe**

Hughes Europe is the European operating and sales organisation for Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES) with facilities in Germany, the UK, and Italy. Utilising its satellite hub earth station and network operations centre in Griesheim, Germany, Hughes Europe provides Hughes broadband satellite and terrestrial solutions to large enterprises, government organisations and small businesses throughout the continent, both directly and through a growing family of value-added service providers. These networks support rapid, reliable transmission of data, voice, video, and multimedia content. For more information, please visit [www.hugheseurope.com](http://www.hugheseurope.com).

**About Hughes Network Systems**

Hughes Network Systems, LLC (Hughes) is the world's leading provider of satellite broadband for home and office, delivering innovative network technologies, managed services and solutions for enterprises and governments globally. HughesNet<sup>®</sup> is the #1 high-speed satellite Internet service in the marketplace, with offerings to suit every budget. To date, Hughes has shipped more than 2.5 million systems to customers in over 100 countries, representing over 50 percent market share. Its products employ global standards approved by TIA, ETSI and ITU organisations, including IPoS/DVB-S2, RSM-A, and GMR-1.

Headquartered outside Washington, D.C., in Germantown, Maryland, USA, Hughes operates sales and support offices worldwide, and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of EchoStar Corporation (NASDAQ: SATS), a premier global provider of satellite operations and digital TV solutions. For additional information about Hughes, please visit [www.hughes.com](http://www.hughes.com).

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