

HughesNet Gen5 Wins Gold Stevie In 2017 American Business Awards

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GERMANTOWN, Md., May 25, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- [Hughes Network Systems, LLC](#) (HUGHES), the global leader in broadband satellite networks and services, today announced [HughesNet® Gen5](#) was named the winner of a Gold Stevie® Award in the Consumer Services category in the 15th annual American Business Awards. HughesNet Gen5 is the first and only U.S. satellite Internet service to offer Federal Communications Commission (FCC) defined broadband speeds - 25 Mbps download and 3 Mbps uploads - from coast-to-coast.



Launched March 16, 2017, HughesNet Gen5 delivers faster speeds, more data, and built-in Wi-Fi for consumers and small businesses across the continental U.S. and key areas within Alaska. HughesNet Gen5 is powered by the Hughes JUPITER™ System, the most widely deployed satellite networking platform globally, operating over EchoStar XIX, the world's highest-capacity broadband satellite, as well as EchoStar XVII that launched in 2012.

The American Business Awards are the nation's premier business awards program. More than 3,600 nominations from organizations of all sizes and in virtually every industry were submitted this year for consideration in a wide range of categories. More than 190 professionals worldwide participated in the judging process to select this year's Stevie Award winners. Details about the American Business Awards and the list of 2017 Stevie winners are available at www.StevieAwards.com/ABA.

"It's an honor to be recognized as a Gold Stevie winner from the American Business Awards," said Peter Gulla, senior vice president of marketing at Hughes. "With over 1 million subscribers, HughesNet is America's #1 choice for satellite Internet. HughesNet Gen5 builds upon this successful legacy and we are proud to bring fast, reliable high-speed Internet to people everywhere across America, no matter where they live or work."

HughesNet is available through a nationwide network of dealers and sales agents, as well as directly through www.HughesNet.com.

"Each year the judges find the quality and variety of the nominations to be greater than the year before. The 2017 competition was intense and every organization that has won should be proud," said Michael Gallagher, president and founder of the Stevie Awards.

About the Stevie Awards

Stevie Awards are conferred in seven programs: the Asia-Pacific Stevie Awards, the German Stevie Awards, The American Business Awards, The International Business Awards, the Stevie Awards for Women in Business, the Stevie Awards for Great Employers, and the Stevie Awards for Sales & Customer Service. Stevie Awards competitions receive more than 10,000 entries each year from organizations in more than 60 nations. Honoring organizations of all types and sizes and the people behind them, the Stevies recognize outstanding performances in the workplace worldwide. Learn more about the Stevie Awards at <http://www.StevieAwards.com>.

About Hughes Network Systems

Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES) is the global leader in broadband satellite technology and services for home and office. Its flagship high-speed satellite Internet service is HughesNet®, the world's largest satellite network with over 1 million residential and business customers across North America and Brazil. For large enterprises and governments, the company's HughesON® managed network services provide complete connectivity solutions employing an optimized mix of satellite and terrestrial technologies. The JUPITER™ System is the world's most widely deployed High-Throughput Satellite (HTS) platform, operating on more than 20 satellites by leading service providers, delivering a wide range of broadband enterprise, mobility and cellular backhaul applications. To date, Hughes has shipped more than 5.5 million terminals to customers in over 100 countries, representing over 50 percent market share, and its technology is powering broadband services to aircraft around the world.

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. For additional information about Hughes, please visit www.hughes.com and follow [@Hughes_Corp](#) on Twitter.

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