Hughes Wins Most Innovative Satellite Application/Service VSAT 2017 Stellar Award

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International Award Honors HughesNet® Gen5 Powered by the Hughes JUPITER™ System

GERMANTOWN, Md., Sept. 27, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- <u>Hughes Network Systems</u>, LLC (Hughes), the global leader in broadband satellite networks and services, today announced that its HughesNet® Gen5 service has been named the Most Innovative Satellite Application/Service by VSAT Global at the industry conference held in London, England. The VSAT Stellar Awards from VSAT Global recognize initiatives driving change across the satellite industry and celebrate the companies improving global connectivity.



Launched on March 16, 2017 as the latest generation of its successful consumer offering introduced nearly 20 years ago, HughesNet Gen5 is the first and only U.S. satellite Internet service to deliver <u>FCC-defined broadband speeds</u> from coast to coast, and is now also being deployed in Brazil and other countries in the Americas.

"We are extremely proud to be recognized as the winner of this prestigious award by VSAT Global," said Peter Gulla, senior vice president of marketing at Hughes."HughesNet Gen5 has exceeded our expectations out of the gate and builds upon our successful legacy of delivering fast, reliable high-speed Internet to people everywhere across America, no matter where they live or work."

Powered by the Hughes JUPITERTM System— the most widely deployed satellite networking platform globally—operating over EchoStar XIX, th world's highest-capacity broadband satellite commercially launched in March 2017, and over EchoStar XVII launched in 2012, HughesNet Gen5 includes many new features:

- More data: consumer plans range from 10-50 GB/month; business plans up to 250 GB/month.
- No hard data limits.
- Built-in Wi-Fi: all plans include Wi-Fi service designed into the customer modem with the dual-band 802.11ac standard.

Earlier this year, <u>HughesNet Gen5</u> was named the winner of a Gold Stevie[®] Award in the Consumer Services category in the 15th annual American Business Awards.

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 6 million terminals to customers in over 100 countries, representing approximately 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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