Hughes Re-Certified as Meeting Newest ISO Quality Management System Standards

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GERMANTOWN, Md., Nov. 29, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- <u>Hughes Network Systems</u>, LLC (HUGHES) today announced that it has been certified by its independent auditor as conforming to the newest ISO 9001:2015 quality management system standards. This recognition confirms the company's ongoing commitment to quality management principles, continuous improvement, and strong customer focus in the design, manufacture, delivery and support of telecommunication services and products for its consumer, business and government customers.



"Since its inception, Hughes has been dedicated to meeting and exceeding the highest quality standards in every aspect of our business – including our management principles, our design and manufacturing process, and our strong focus on meeting customer requirements and providing exceptional service," said Bob Stedman, vice president, Quality for Hughes. "Being in the forefront of attaining certification to the newest ISO 9001:2015 standard is a demonstration of our continued commitment to these principles and to continuing to be a trusted partner for our customers."

The ISO 9001:2015 standard is based on a number of quality management principles including a strong customer focus, the role of top management, the process approach, and continual improvement. The standard provides guidance and tools for companies and organizations that want to ensure that their products and services consistently meet customers' requirements, and that quality is continually improved.

Hughes certification includes its Germantown MD headquarters, business units, engineering, software development and other staff functions, as well as its Network Operations Center and manufacturing facilities. Hughes and its facilities have been ISO certified since 1992.

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 <u>www.hughes.com</u> and follow <u>@Hughes_Corp</u> on Twitter.

About EchoStar

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