## Hughes Selected by NAVAIR to Support U.S. Coast Guard Airborne Communications for ISR, Humanitarian Aid and Disaster Relief Missions

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## Mission-Driven Solution Combines Beyond-Line-of-Sight Expertise with Technology Integration Support

GERMANTOWN, Md., Nov. 5, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- <u>Hughes Network Systems</u>, LLC (HUGHES), the global leader in broadband satellite networks and services, today announced it was selected by the U.S. Naval Air Systems (NAVAIR) to provide SATCOM systems integration for the U.S. Coast Guard. Under the agreement, Hughes, supporting through its partner, <u>ADS. Inc.</u>, will integrate communications systems in support of the Coast Guard's Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR), humanitarian aid and disaster relief (HADR) missions requiring airborne Communications-on-the-Move (COTM).



"Hughes was well-positioned for this requirement to provide comprehensive engineering expertise for integrating a satellite technology and service solution that will enhance the Coast Guard's diverse operational capabilities," said Rick Lober, vice president and general manager of Defense and Intelligence Systems Division at Hughes. "The Coast Guard often operates in extremely challenging environments which require robust communications solutions. We value being a trusted partner for their global missions."

Hughes will provide SATCOM integration for the missionized C-27J aircraft which will connect mobile units across a wide geographic area including over the United States, Canada, Mexico, and the Pacific Ocean. The broad operational regions require proven Beyond-Line-of-Sight (BLoS) system integration expertise to coordinate hardware functions on the C-27J aircraft including antennae, modem, engineering services and technical training.

For this contract, Hughes will deliver cost-effective mobility solutions that will provide multi-mission support including drug interdictions, border control enforcement and search and rescue efforts (SAR) for the agency.

For more information on Hughes solutions, visit <a href="http://government.hughes.com/">http://government.hughes.com/</a>

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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 1.2 million residential and business customers across the Americas. 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 7 million terminals of all types 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 <a href="www.hughes.com">www.hughes.com</a> and follow <a href="https://www.hughes.com">@ HughesConnects</a> on Twitter.

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