

EchoStar Satellite Services Names Veteran Engineering Executive As CTO

Satellite Radio Exec to Lead Technical Operations for EchoStar Subsidiary

ENGLEWOOD, Colo., Jan. 3, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- EchoStar Corp. (NASDAQ: SATS), a leading global satellite services provider and developer of hybrid video delivery technologies, today announced that SiriusXM Radio veteran executive Derek de Bastos has joined EchoStar Satellite Services, LLC, a subsidiary of EchoStar Corp., as Chief Technology Officer.

de Bastos will be responsible for the procurement, technical direction, and technical operations for EchoStar's satellite fleet and will manage a growing team responsible for systems engineering and program management. He will report to Anders Johnson, president of ESS.

"Derek has managed large-scale satellite systems from conception to in-orbit operation," said Johnson. "His knowledge and experience will make him a great addition to our executive ranks."

de Bastos joins ESS from SiriusXM Radio, where he was vice president of engineering, a position he held since Sirius and XM merged in 2008. He was among the first employees of XM Satellite Radio and was the vice president of satellite engineering for nine years preceding the merger, during which time he helped take the company from a vision to America's first nationwide digital satellite radio service. He also held management positions with Worldspace Inc. and Lockheed Martin (formerly RCA) Astro Space.

About EchoStar Corporation

EchoStar Corp. (NASDAQ: SATS) is a leading global provider of satellite operations and video delivery solutions. EchoStar's wholly-owned subsidiary, Hughes, is the world's leading provider of satellite broadband services, delivering network technologies and managed services for enterprise and government customers in more than 100 countries.

Headquartered in Englewood, Colorado, with additional business units world-wide, EchoStar is a multiple Emmy award-winning company that has pioneered advancements in the set-top box and satellite industries for more than 30 years, consistently delivering value for customers, partners and investors through innovation and outstanding quality. Over the last three decades EchoStar's contribution to video technology has been a major influencer in the way consumers view, receive and manage their TV programming.

EchoStar's consumer solutions include HughesNet[®], North America's #1 high-speed satellite Internet service, Sling Media's Slingbox[®] products, and EchoStar's line of advanced digital video set-top box products for the international free satellite and terrestrial viewer markets. For more information, please visit www.echoStar.com

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