

## **Hughes Wins Four Awards from the Alliance for Workplace Excellence**

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# Awards Recognize Leaders in Workplace Health and Wellness, Diversity, Environmental Consciousness and Overall Excellence

GERMANTOWN, Md., June 9, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES), the global leader in broadband satellite networks and services, today announced it has been recognized by the Alliance for Workplace Excellence (AWE) as one of the best workplaces in the Greater Washington, D.C. area for the 18th consecutive year.



Hughes received the 2017 AWE Workplace Excellence and Health & Wellness Seals of Approval as well as the AWE EcoLeadership and Diversity Champion Awards at The AWE Annual Awards luncheon held today at the Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian Center. The AWE awards honor organizations that promote professional fulfillment and personal wellness at work, at home, and in the community, as well as their commitment to sustainability and workplace diversity.

"Hughes is committed to providing a healthy, encouraging and inclusive workplace where our employees can thrive both professionally and personally," said Pradman Kaul, president of Hughes. "We are honored to be recognized once again by the AWE as one of the region's best places to work. Our employees are our most important asset and their success drives our success as a company."

Candidates for AWE awards undergo a rigorous assessment process led by an independent review panel of business professional and master's and Ph.D. level students in the fields of business, industrial and organizational psychology, human resources, environmental science, public health and diversity and inclusion.

A total of 54 employers will be recognized for their exemplary commitment to building excellent places to work in Montgomery County and throughout the United States, including organizations of all sizes and in all industry types.

### **About The Alliance for Workplace Excellence**

The Alliance for Workplace Excellence (AWE) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded in 1999 by Montgomery County, MD and Discovery Communications. Over the past 17 years, AWE has been dedicated to empowering employers to build excellence in the workplace as a means of supporting the quality of life for employees, their families, and the community at-large.

AWE is dedicated to increasing the number of excellent workplaces within the business community through education and recognition, as a means to enhance the quality of life of its citizens and empower economic growth. For more information, please visit <a href="http://www.excellentworkplace.org/">http://www.excellentworkplace.org/</a>.

#### **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 <a href="https://www.hughes.com">www.hughes.com</a> and follow <a href="https://www.hughes.com">@ Hughes</a> <a href="https://www.hughes.com">Corp</a> on Twitter.

#### **About EchoStar**

EchoStar Corporation (NASDAQ: SATS) is a premier global provider of satellite communication solutions. Headquartered in Englewood, Colo., and conducting business around the globe, EchoStar is a pioneer in secure communications technologies through its Hughes Network Systems and

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