



## Hughes Announces New Communications Solutions and Satellite Offerings to its GSA Schedule

### Company Provides Digital Bulletin Boards, Broadband Internet Access, and Ka-band Transportable Satellite Solutions

GERMANTOWN, Md., April 18, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES), the global leader in broadband satellite solutions and services, and a leading provider of managed network and application services, today announced the addition of digital bulletin boards, cost-effective broadband internet access, and Ka-band transportable satellite solutions to its U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) Schedule 70 contract ([GS-35F-0907P](#)).

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"Government is increasingly more mobile, and employees need solutions and services that have the bandwidth and speeds to meet their communication needs, wherever and whenever they are required," said Tony Bardo, assistant vice president for government solutions at Hughes. "Hughes new GSA Schedule offerings — including digital bulletin boards, broadband Internet access, and Ka-band transportables — enable employees to receive and share information with each other or the public, and to do so at broadband speeds."

The new solutions and services under Hughes GSA Schedule include:

- Digital bulletin boards: Choose from either the Hughes-Hosted or Customer-Hosted model—solutions that enable government agencies to deliver the most cost-effective, high-impact communications available.
- Satellite broadband Internet access for Government Service plans: Hughes Connect Service plans are best suited for teleworkers and small offices with one to two users; Hughes Express Service plans are intended for medium and large-size government offices with multiple users. Download speeds range from 1 Mbps for the Connect 100 plan to 5 Mbps for the Express 500 plan.
- Ka-band transportable: Hughes HN9500 broadband satellite router and antenna system includes vehicle mounted and flyaway kit options and service to support emergency response requirements.
- To learn more about the new solutions and services under Hughes GSA Schedule, please visit <http://government.hughes.com/solutions/by-need/internet-access/service-plans-gsa>.

#### About Hughes Network Systems

Hughes Network Systems, LLC (Hughes) is the world's leading provider of satellite broadband for home and office, delivering innovative network technologies, managed services, and solutions for enterprises and governments globally. HughesNet® is the #1 high-speed satellite Internet service in the marketplace, with offerings to suit every budget. To date, Hughes has shipped more than 2.8 million systems to customers in over 100 countries, representing over 50 percent market share. Its products employ global standards approved by the TIA, ETSI and ITU organizations, including IPoS/DVB-S2, RSM-A, and GMR-1.

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 and digital TV solutions. For additional information about Hughes, please visit [www.hughes.com](http://www.hughes.com).

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