

Hughes Earns Spot on 2012 InformationWeek 500 List of Top Technology Innovators Across America

GERMANTOWN, Md., Sept. 12, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- <u>Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES)</u>, the global leader in broadband satellite networks and services, today announced it made this year's *InformationWeek* 500, an annual listing of the nation's most innovative users of business technology. The annual list was revealed last night at a gala awards ceremony at the exclusive *InformationWeek* 500 Conference which took place at the St. Regis Monarch Beach Resort in Dana Point, Calif.

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"The *InformationWeek* 500 has recognized the most innovative users of business technology for 24 years, and this year's innovations were particularly impressive," said *InformationWeek* Editor in Chief Rob Preston. "What the editors looked for were unconventional approaches—new technologies, new models, new ways of grabbing business opportunities and solving complex business problems with IT."

This award underlines the company's leadership in both broadband satellite services and technology, with customers in over 100 countries and in all market segments. Enterprises of all sizes across virtually all vertical sectors, as well as government and multi-national organizations, and a fast growing consumer subscriber base rely on Hughes for broadband connectivity and networking solutions.

"Hughes is honored to be recognized as a leader in information technology by such a prestigious publication as *InformationWeek,"* said Ashok Mehta, senior vice president, Information Technology at Hughes. "Hughes' success has been driven by the growing need for broadband connectivity and fully managed solutions for enterprise, government, and home offices and consumers across the globe."

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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 <u>www.hughes.com</u>.

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