

Hughes to Address 2012 Land Warfare Conference on Tactical SATCOM

Session to Focus on Ultra Light-Weight Very Small Aperture Terminals (VSAT)

GERMANTOWN, Md., Oct. 23, 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 that Tony F. Sewell, senior program manager for international programs in the Defense and Intelligence Systems Division (DISD), will present "Ultra Light-Weight VSAT: Defining a New Paradigm," at the Land Warfare Conference 2012 in Melbourne, Australia.

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- WHO: Tony F. Sewell, senior program manager for international programs, DISD, Hughes
- WHAT: Land Warfare Conference 2012
- WHEN: Thursday, November 1, 2012 at 1400 EDT
- WHERE: Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, Melbourne, Australia

The presentation will introduce Hughes' advanced MicroSat waveform concept, which complements current VSAT and MobileSat fleets. This technology solution provides options to achieve medium and high data rate communications in static and mobile roles while reducing operational costs and enhancing security. Mr. Sewell will provide an overview of the waveform characteristics and implementation benefits.

"The 2012 Land Warfare Conference provides an opportunity for the military, academia and the private sector to share and exchange ideas on land systems communications solutions," said Sewell. "I look forward to showcasing how Hughes' MicroSat waveform concept will revolutionize the tactical satellite communications market by delivering a lightweight VSAT and mobility antenna that is advanced, economical and practical for tactical mobility platforms."

To learn more about Land Warfare Conference 2012, visit http://www.dsto.defence.gov.au/lwc2012/.

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