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## **HughesON™ Solutions now available through Networx Enterprise Contract Vehicle**

### **Hughes and Level 3 Team to Provide Highly Secure Managed Network Services to Federal Agencies**

GERMANTOWN, Md., Nov. 4, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Hughes Network Systems, LLC (Hughes), the global leader in broadband satellite solutions and services, today announced it has signed an agreement with premier global communications provider, Level 3 Communications, to provide its comprehensive suite of HughesON™ managed network solutions to federal agencies through Level 3's existing Networx Enterprise contract.



"This offering, which leverages Level 3's global IP network, provides a high quality, accessible way for agencies to deploy affordable and secure connectivity at all their sites," said Tony Bardo, assistant vice president for Government Solutions at Hughes. "The wide range of proven and cost-effective HughesON solutions available means agencies can balance tight budgets while meeting the ever increasing need for more bandwidth, higher speeds and security."

The Networx Program vehicle is the General Services Administration's primary telecommunications contract vehicle for federal agencies to access a broad range of domestic and international network services for mission-critical needs.

"By teaming with Hughes, Level 3 can offer an additional suite of cost-effective and highly secure managed network services to federal agencies - available now," said David Young, regional vice president of Government Sales at Level 3. "We look forward to helping agencies buy the managed services they need through the federal government's network services contract of choice."

HughesON is a comprehensive suite of cloud-friendly network and digital media solutions designed for the unique needs of distributed government agencies and departments, encompassing extensive applications and benefits such as:

- High capacity connectivity, delivering multi-megabit speeds to agency branches
- Managed Wi-Fi solutions to enhance the visitor experience and employee efficiency
- HughesON ActiveTechnologies™ for unmatched network performance over broadband
- Managed security solutions to lock-down agency networks and ensure PCI-compliance

In response to the need for security protection against the multitude of threats faced by government and enterprise organizations, Hughes has integrated industry-leading FortiOS 5 from Fortinet into its HughesON Managed Solutions, providing a high level of security features designed to protect networks in a risk-prone digital environment.

For more information about Hughes managed solutions for government, please visit <http://government.hughes.com/>

#### **About Hughes Network Systems**

Hughes Network Systems, LLC (Hughes) is the global leader in satellite broadband for home and office, delivering innovative solutions and a comprehensive suite of HughesON™ managed services for enterprises and governments worldwide. 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 5 million systems to customers in over 100 countries, representing approximately 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).

#### **About EchoStar**

EchoStar Corporation (NASDAQ: SATS) is a premier global provider of satellite and video delivery solutions. Headquartered in Englewood, Colo., and conducting business around the globe, EchoStar is a pioneer in secure communications technologies through its EchoStar Satellite Services, EchoStar Technologies Corporation and Hughes Network Systems business segments. For more information, visit [echostar.com](http://echostar.com). Follow [@EchoStar](https://twitter.com/EchoStar) on Twitter.

### **About Level 3 Communications**

Level 3 Communications, Inc. (NYSE: LVL3) is a Fortune 500 company that provides local, national and global communications services to enterprise, government and carrier customers. Level 3's comprehensive portfolio of secure, managed solutions includes fiber and infrastructure solutions; IP-based voice and data communications; wide-area Ethernet services; video and content distribution; data center and cloud-based solutions. Level 3 serves customers in more than 500 markets in over 60 countries across a global services platform anchored by owned fiber networks on three continents and connected by extensive undersea facilities. For more information, please visit [www.level3.com](http://www.level3.com) or get to know us on Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn.

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