

Hughes Mobile IP Terminal Key to CNN's Emmy Winning Satellite Newsgathering Solution

CNN Awarded Technology & Engineering Award by National Television Academy of Arts & Science

Germantown, Md., January 15, 2008—Hughes Network Systems, LLC (Hughes), the global leader in broadband satellite networks and solutions, announced today that its 9201 mobile satellite IP terminal, which operates over the Inmarsat BGAN (Broadband Global Area Network) system, is part of the CNN satellite newsgathering solution honored by the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. The Technology and Engineering Emmy award was announced recently at the International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas .

The CNN team was awarded the Emmy for “development and implementation of an integrated and portable IP-based live, edit, and store-and-forward digital newsgathering system.” The Technology and Engineering Emmy Awards honor excellence in advances in the use, creativity, and adaptation of technology that enhances or improves the consumer experience with media across multiple platforms.

“We are very proud to be part of the CNN team honored with an Emmy Award,” said Graham Avis, vice president at Hughes. “Our high-speed and compact 9201 BGAN mobile terminal enables reporters to deliver streaming news as events unfold— packaged together in a small backpack including Streambox® equipment and battery power, and easily set-up to operate in even the most remote locations.”

Operating over Inmarsat's BGAN system, which provides connectivity to more than 80 percent of the world's population and land mass via satellite, the Hughes 9201 terminal streamlines the process of live media feeds, replacing what in the past amounted to a truck-full of equipment. The CNN winning solution also incorporates a portable encoder from

Streambox, which encodes and decodes video footage in real time, providing superior video quality at low data rates. By combining the Streambox equipment with the Hughes 9201 terminal, much higher bandwidth and transmission speeds are achieved than with previous mobile satellite technology.

About CNN Worldwide

CNN Worldwide, a division of Turner Broadcasting System, Inc., a Time Warner Company, is the most trusted source for news and information. Its reach extends to nine cable and satellite television networks; one private place-based network; two radio networks; wireless devices around the world; CNN Digital Network, the No. 1 network of news Web sites in the United States; CNN Newsource, the world's most extensively syndicated news service; and strategic international partnerships within both television and the digital media.

About Inmarsat

Inmarsat plc (LSE: ISAT) is the leading provider of global mobile satellite communications. Since 1979, Inmarsat has been providing reliable voice and high-speed data communications to governments, enterprises and other organisations, with a range of services that can be used on land, at sea or in the air. The company's services are delivered through a global network of more than 500 distribution partners and service providers operating in 180 countries. For the year ended 31 December 2006, Inmarsat plc had total revenue of US\$ 500.1 million. More information can be found at www.inmarsat.com.

About Streambox, Inc.

Streambox is a market leader in newsgathering and video transport solutions for all real-time and store-and-forward broadcast and broadband applications. The company provides best-of-class encoding, decoding, and transmission over IP and satellite networks. Streambox ACT-L3™ solutions have been specifically developed to meet the performance, reliability, and quality requirements of a diverse range of customers, such as broadcasters, government agencies, enterprises and individuals worldwide. The robust family of ACT-L3 solutions provides unrivaled video quality at low data rates. Streambox's innovative error correction and bandwidth shaping technologies enable users to manage, control, and mitigate packet loss and correct irregularities common to video delivery over satellite and IP/T1/E1 networks. Learn more at www.streambox.com.

About Hughes Network Systems

Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES) is the global leader in providing broadband satellite networks and services for large enterprises, governments, small businesses, and consumers. HughesNet® encompasses all broadband solutions and managed services from Hughes, bridging the best of satellite and terrestrial technologies. Hughes has shipped more than 1.2 million systems to customers in over 100 countries. Its broadband satellite products are based on the IPoS (IP over Satellite) global standard, approved by the TIA, ETSI, and ITU standards organizations.

Headquartered outside Washington, D.C., in Germantown, Maryland, USA, Hughes maintains sales and support offices worldwide. Hughes is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hughes Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGH). For additional information, please visit www.hughes.com.

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