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HUGHES Executive to Address 3rd Annual Conference on Global Preparedness

*Tony Bardo to Discuss How Network Back-up Connectivity, Interoperability Can Keep
Government Leaders Connected in a Crisis*

Germantown, Maryland, December 1, 2009—Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES), the global leader in broadband satellite network solutions and services, today announced that Tony Bardo, assistant vice president for government solutions at Hughes, will address the 3rd Annual Conference on Global Preparedness hosted by the Florida Institute of Technology. Mr. Bardo will present “Government Leadership and Network Preparedness: Ensuring Back-up Connectivity and Interoperability during an Emergency,” as a featured speaker in the conference technology track. His comments will focus on the important role of path diversity through satellite broadband in creating back-up government emergency networks and keeping leaders connected in a crisis.

WHO: Tony Bardo, assistant vice president for government solutions, Hughes

WHAT: 3rd Annual Conference on Global Preparedness

WHEN: Tuesday, December 8, 2009
4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: Hilton Melbourne Rialto Place
200 Rialto Place
Melbourne, Florida

The 3rd Annual Conference on Global Preparedness is hosted by the Florida Institute of Technology’s Center for Preparedness. The conference features speakers from the public sector and private industry, including higher education, state, national and foreign governments—all presenting innovative practices and emerging technologies designed to protect and preserve national and global assets and human lives. Major topics will include emergency response, the economy, cyber-security, human factors and secure technology—raising the bar from sustainable to resilient. For more information: <http://411.fit.edu/cgp/>

Members of the media interested in scheduling a briefing with Mr. Bardo are invited to contact Mary Alice Johnson at: (571) 323-2585, ext. 2140, or by e-mail maryalice@connellyworks.com.

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