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IsNet agreement to purchase HX satellite broadband platform extends Hughes Europe presence in Turkey

Leading VSAT provider to enable delivery of satellite-based services to corporate and SME businesses

Milton Keynes, UK, 25 May, 2010: Hughes Europe is set to grow its share of the expanding Turkish communications market, following the agreement with IsNet to install an HX satellite broadband platform together with an initial 200 remote terminals.

IsNet, a wholly-owned subsidiary of leading Turkish banking group, Isbank, provides satellite and terrestrial-based managed network services to corporate and SME businesses throughout Turkey and neighbouring countries, including local banks and petrol retailers.

“We have selected Hughes Europe as it is the acknowledged leader of VSAT communications, with a proven reputation for technical excellence, reliability and performance,” confirms IT director, Halil Bayindir. “Equally importantly, the company matches this with first-class service support and all at a highly competitive price.”

Following successful implementation of the HX Network Operations Center (NOC) at IsNet’s premises in Istanbul during the second half of 2009, talks are already underway to further expand the NOC capabilities in order to enable IsNet to provide additional services. “The agreement with IsNet reflects our determination to expand our established footprint in this important region,” says Christopher Britton, managing director, Hughes Europe, “and provides yet another example of how our HX platform meets the demanding requirements of superior technology and cost-effectiveness which are key to success in this market.”

The HX platform implemented at IsNet is providing both traditional star-topology and mesh connectivity, which has been a key requirement of IsNet in the selection of the Hughes platform, and is a strategic feature in the provision of managed network services to the banking industry.

About Hughes Europe

Hughes Europe is the European operating and sales organisation for Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES) with facilities in Germany, the UK and Italy. Utilising its satellite hub earth station and network operations centre in Griesheim, Germany, Hughes Europe provides HughesNet® broadband satellite and terrestrial solutions to large enterprises, government organizations and small businesses throughout the continent, both directly and

through a growing family of value-added service providers. These networks support rapid, reliable transmission of data, voice, video and multimedia content. For more information, please visit www.hugheseurope.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. Its broadband satellite products are based on global standards approved by the TIA, ETSI and ITU standards organizations, including IPoS/DVB-S2, RSM-A and GMR-1. To date, Hughes has shipped more than 2.2 million systems to customers in over 100 countries.

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About IsNet

IsNet, founded in 1999 as a 100% investment of Turkiye Is Bankasi, one of the key conglomerates in Turkey, now provides national and international services on communication technologies to more than 800 firms thanks to its investments on developing technologies to meet customer needs.

IsNet, having served as an "Internet Service Provider" since 1999, obtained "Satellite Communication Operator" licence in 2002 and has become largest Turkish satellite operator with its double HUB station established in 2005. Doubling its growth rate each year in line with continuous investments, IsNet has started telephony services after obtaining "Fixed Telephony Service Operator" licence in 2004. On the other hand, IsNet provides its customers with all data services on its own backbone thanks to its "Landline Data Communication Services" licence obtained in 2004. In addition IsNet, has served data center services since 1999 and also received "Data Center License" in 2008.

IsNet, holding 5 different licences from Information and Communication Technologies Authority, is the only Next Generation Network (NGN) Telecom Operator that provides data and telephony services via both satellite and terrestrial lines in Turkey.

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