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### **Hughes Europe and Global Marine Communications to Feature Maritime Satellite Solutions at Monaco Yacht Show**

*GMC to showcase robust communications 'powered by Hughes' for resellers*

**Milton Keynes, UK, 20 September 2011**—Hughes Europe, operating subsidiary of the global leader in satellite broadband solutions, Hughes Network Systems, LLC (Hughes), announced today that it will join GMC at this year's Monaco Yacht Show, to be held at Port Hercule, Monaco, France from 21 to 24 September.

GMC, the specialist provider of high-quality communications for merchant and private vessels, will showcase its robust solutions using Hughes advanced broadband satellite technology and services. "In looking to strengthen our reseller base, this event provides the ideal opportunity to showcase our innovative and highly cost-effective communications solutions," says GMC's Andreas Evans. "Together with Hughes Europe's robust broadband satellite technology and maritime services, we can offer potential distribution partners state-of-the-art connectivity for the increasing requirements of a growing segment of the maritime market."

Hughes Maritime Broadband Services satisfies the market's demands for high-availability broadband connectivity with specified Quality of Service (QoS) and Committed Information Rates (CIR). In particular, by offering flexible bundled high-speed Internet, voice, and fax services with fixed monthly billing, Hughes offers maritime solutions with both high reliability and excellent value.

"It is important for our two companies to take part in this key event on the industry's calendar," says Christopher Britton, managing director, Hughes Europe. "Our relationship with GMC is an excellent example of how, in collaborating with a specialist partner, we continue to develop innovative and price-competitive solutions to meet new market needs."

Hughes Europe will feature its maritime solutions as part of the company's powerful Hughes Managed Network Services portfolio. In addition, show attendees will learn about and be able to experience the company's new high-speed consumer broadband offering, which is now available following the launch of Avanti Communications' HYLAS 1, Europe's first dedicated high-throughput Ka-band satellite.

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### **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 Hughes broadband satellite and terrestrial solutions to large enterprises, government organisations 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](http://www.hugheseurope.com).

### **About Hughes Network Systems**

Hughes Network Systems, LLC (Hughes) is the world's leading provider of satellite broadband for home and office, delivering innovative network technologies, managed services and solutions for enterprises and governments globally. 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 2.5 million systems to customers in over 100 countries, representing over 50 percent market share. Its products employ global standards approved by TIA, ETSI and ITU organisations, 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).

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