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Global Marine Communications Selects Hughes Broadband Satellite Solution and Orbit Technology Group's Marine Stabilized Antennas to Provide Maritime Communications Service

HughesNet broadband satellite service, HN satellite terminals, and Orbit stabilized antennas enable GMC to provide low-cost, always-on service to the maritime and offshore platform industries

Limassol, Cyprus, August 20 , 2007—Global Marine Communications Ltd (GMC), Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES), and Orbit Technology Group Ltd, today announced the successful completion of interoperability testing and sea trials between the Hughes HN series of broadband satellite modems and the specially-adapted Orbit AL-7103-MKII-GMC marine stabilized satellite antenna.

Utilizing the HughesNet® satellite service in Europe, Global Marine Communications is commencing operations with the following three grades of service:

Force 1	512kbps x 128kbps	USD 758.00 per month
Force 3	1024kbps x 256kbps	USD 1,885.00 per month
Force 5	2048kbps x 512kbps	USD 3,002.00 per month

Initial services will be available in Europe and the Middle East. GMC will be collaborating with operators in other regions to provide global, seamless coverage worldwide using Hughes Ku-band technology.

In addition to the announcement of this service, GMC, Hughes, and Orbit are pleased to announce that they will be exhibiting at the Monaco Yacht Show on Stand QP-17, Parvis Piscine. They will be holding a press and VIP launch along with a demonstration of the service on board the 'White Rose of Drachs' in Cap D' Ail Harbour at 5.00 pm on the 20th of September 2007. To obtain your invitation, please contact the marketing department of GMC on +357 2555 33 55 or email launch@gmcomms.net.

"The Orbit stabilized antenna operates very effectively with Hughes satellite terminals, providing affordable broadband access for the maritime and oil and gas industries at download speeds of 2 Mbps or higher," said Keary Cannon, vice president of marketing and sales for Hughes Europe. GMC can offer a variety of dedicated or shared bandwidth options using our Ku-band coverage."

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The maritime market relies more and more on satellite communications for their broadband communications requirements. The Oil and Gas sector is also increasingly using broadband satellite technology, not only for day-to-day operations, but for reliable backup services on their offshore platforms.

The HN series of broadband terminals is based on the IPoS satellite standard, which includes the DVB-S2 standard with Adaptive Coding & Modulation (ACM), enabling high throughput using Ku-band antenna sizes smaller than previously possible on shipping vessels. The HN terminals support one or more LAN ports with IP compression and acceleration for optimized performance over satellite.

"Orbit Technology Group is a leading provider of stabilized antennas, and we are pleased to assist in bringing this comprehensive solution to market with Global Marine Communications," said Jon Harrison of Orbit Technology Group.

"Hughes is the world's largest provider of broadband satellite solutions and Orbit has an enviable position in the market supplying gyroscopic antennas. GMC looks forward to working with both Hughes and Orbit to deliver this low-cost solution," said Rick Hoy, sales director, global sales and marketing at Global Marine Communications.

About Global Marine Communications (GMC)

Global Marine Communications, a Cyprus Limited company, was formed by personnel with long-term experience in the satellite communications industry combined with a substantial investment commitment, to ensure research, development and testing, as well as delivery to market of satellite maritime solutions.

GMC's day-to-day operations are managed by the co-founders Rick Hoy and Alex Ekonomou, both founding directors of Servicesat, one of the largest providers of satellite communications in Europe, the Middle East, and Africa, with more than 4,500 satellite systems currently in operation.

About Orbit

Orbit Marine, part of the Orbit Technology Group, is a leading designer and manufacturer of two marine-stabilized satellite communication product lines—the AL-7100 two-way satellite communication system and the AL-7200 TVRO satellite TV system. Utilizing state-of-the-art technology for commercial, private, and military customers, Orbit's systems enable constant communication at sea even in adverse weather conditions.

Backed by over 50 years of experience, Orbit has successfully deployed more than 1,200 marine-stabilized communication systems aboard a large variety of vessels such as cargo ships, tankers, fishing boats, cruise ships, yachts, oil rigs, patrol, and combat vessels.

Orbit Technology Group is a leading developer and supplier of a wide range of superior performance communication equipment to global defense and commercial companies. Orbit is a public company traded on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange. For additional information, please visit www.orbit-marine.com.

About Hughes Network Systems

Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES) is the global leader in providing broadband satellite networks and services for enterprises, governments, small businesses, and consumers. HughesNet encompasses all broadband solutions and managed services from Hughes, bridging the best of satellite and terrestrial technologies. To date, Hughes has

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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 or www.eu.hns.com.

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