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Hughes Communications India Named Best VSAT Operator in India at Telecom Operator Awards

*Subsidiary of World's Leading Broadband Satellite Provider
Selected from 10 Indian VSAT Service Providers*

New Delhi, India and Germantown, Md., May 10, 2010—Hughes Communications India Ltd. (HCIL), India's leading provider of broadband satellite networks and services, was recognized as the Best VSAT Operator in India at the Telecom Operator Awards ceremony held in April 2010 in New Delhi. Presented to Partho Banerjee, president and managing director of HCIL, by Nripendra Misra and Pradip Bajjal, both ex-chairmen, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), the award recognizes companies that demonstrate outstanding performance in delivering world-class results in service and support in the telecom sector.

Commenting on this achievement, Mr. Banerjee said, "We endeavor to provide the most reliable and beneficial satellite service offerings to our customers and are dedicated to continually improving the customer's experience. Receiving this award is a testament to our commitment and efforts. We thank the organizers and our customers for recognizing us as the best VSAT operator in India."

The prestigious Telecom Operators Award was hosted by *Tele.net* magazine, whose editor, Shampa Bahadur, stated, "The award selection was done on the basis of an extensive survey conducted among a carefully selected group of professionals and sector experts between January and March of 2010. Of the 500 plus professionals we approached, approximately 280 responded and from the various nominees, Hughes Communications India emerged the winner by a wide margin, winning twice as many votes as its peers."

About Tele.net Magazine

Tele.net is a monthly magazine targeted especially at telecom service providers and large enterprise customers. It covers all segments of the sector—fixed, wireless, broadband, long distance, and satellite-based services, etc. The magazine is part of India Infrastructure Private Publishing, a company dedicated to providing information on the infrastructure sectors in India through magazines, conferences, newsletters and research reports. The company also publishes two other magazines, *Power Line* and *Indian Infrastructure*.

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About Hughes Communications India Limited

Hughes Communications India Limited (HCIL) is India's leading provider of broadband satellite networks and services for enterprises, governments and small businesses. HCIL pioneered and is the leading provider of several new services and applications such as interactive distance learning and rural services, bringing the benefits of broadband to the underserved markets of India. HCIL is a majority owned subsidiary of Hughes Network Systems, LLC. For additional information, please visit www.hughes.in.

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.

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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