



ViaSat Announces CFO Leadership Transition

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CARLSBAD, Calif., Aug. 23, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- ViaSat Inc. (NASDAQ: VSAT) announced that Ronald Wangerin, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of ViaSat Inc., has advised the company of his decision to resign to pursue other opportunities outside of ViaSat. Shawn Duffy, ViaSat Vice President, Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer, will lead the day-to-day management of the finance team and assume the role of interim Chief Financial Officer. The company has initiated a search to identify a full time Chief Financial Officer and expects to conclude the search process expeditiously. Mr. Wangerin plans to continue as an employee of the company through December 17, 2012 to facilitate an orderly transition of his responsibilities.

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Ms. Duffy, 42, joined ViaSat in 2005 as Corporate Controller and, in 2009, was appointed the company's Vice President and Corporate Controller. She assumed her current position as Vice President, Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer in April 2012. Prior to joining ViaSat, Ms. Duffy was a senior manager at Ernst & Young, LLP, serving the technology and consumer product markets. Ms. Duffy is a certified public accountant and holds a B.S. degree in Business Administration (Accounting) from San Diego State University.

"Ron has played a significant role at ViaSat, and we are grateful for his contributions as CFO and in positioning the company to take advantage of new opportunities," said Mark Dankberg, ViaSat Chief Executive Officer.

Safe Harbor Statement

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ViaSat delivers fast, secure communications, Internet, and network access to virtually any location for consumers, governments, enterprise, and the military. The company offers fixed and mobile satellite network services including Exede by ViaSat, which features ViaSat-1, the world's highest capacity satellite; service to more than 1,750 mobile platforms, including Yonder® Ku-band mobile Internet; satellite broadband networking systems; and network-centric military communication systems and cyber security products for the U.S. and allied governments. ViaSat also offers communication system design and a number of complementary products and technologies. Based in Carlsbad, California, ViaSat has established a number of worldwide locations for customer service, network operations, and technology development.

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