CARLSBAD, Calif., July 11 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- ViaSat Inc. (Nasdaq: VSAT) has been awarded a contract for approximately $10 million from the Maryland Procurement Office (MPO) to implement Version 3 of the High Assurance Internet Protocol Encryptor Interoperability Specification (HAIPE IS) on ViaSat AltaSec® inline network encryptors. The multi-year contract covers development of software features for traffic protection, networking, and management designed to enable military communicators to establish highly secure encrypted links that will be accessible by future HAIPE devices. This compatibility of future HAIPE devices is especially important as the Department of Defense (DoD) transitions to Internet Protocol version 6 (IP v6).

In parallel to the funded development, ViaSat is conducting internally funded R&D projects to develop the next generation of inline encryption hardware. The internal development is centered on smaller, more durable, lower-cost versions of AltaSec products, as well as the next generation of ViaSat's PSIAM. PSIAM is a high-assurance crypto system designed to specifically address network-centric architectures and Cryptographic Modernization initiatives.

PSIAM is at the core of all ViaSat information assurance products, including its development of the Multifunctional Information Distribution System (MIDS) for the Joint Tactical Radio System (JTRS). PSIAM also powers the successful line of HAIPE IS compliant ViaSat AltaSec encryptors; the KG-250, KG-250A, and KG-255.

"We recognized that the real challenge is to design information assurance into network architectures from the beginning. The market acceptance of both our embedded and stand-alone encryptors in a variety of mobile and fixed applications shows that PSIAM fulfills that promise," said Jerry Goodwin, VP Tactical Networking and Information Assurance at ViaSat. "With the HAIPE v3 contract, supplemented by our ongoing investments in PSIAM technology, and smaller, more durable devices, we'll continue to provide affordable, high-strength information assurance to the network-centric battlefield."

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ViaSat produces innovative satellite and other wireless communication products that enable fast, secure, and efficient communications to any location. Products include network security devices, tactical data radios, and communication simulators. ViaSat also has a full line of VSAT products for data and voice applications, and is a market leader in Ka-band satellite systems, from user terminals to gateways. ViaSat has locations in Carlsbad, CA, and Duluth, GA, along with its Comsat Laboratories division in Germantown, MD. Additional field offices are located in Boston, MA, Linthicum, MD, Washington DC, Australia, Italy, China, and India.

In addition the company has three wholly-owned subsidiaries: US Monolithics designs and produces monolithic microwave integrated circuits (MMICs) and modules for use in broadband communications for military and commercial applications; and Efficient Channel Coding is an innovator in satellite communication components and systems, based on the new DVB-S2 standard, that increase the efficiency of today's advanced satellite, wireless, and wire-line communication systems; and Enerdyne Technologies Inc., an innovative in video data link equipment and digital video systems for defense and intelligence markets, primarily for unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) applications.

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