



Viasat Wins Contract from Northrop Grumman on U.S. Air Force's Commercial Space Internet Experiments

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The company's high-capacity geostationary satellites will support the program, which is connecting commercial space internet services for military users

CARLSBAD, Calif., Feb. 29, 2024 /PRNewswire/ -- [Viasat, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: VSAT), a global leader in satellite communications, has been awarded a contract from Northrop Grumman to support the U.S. Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) initiative, called the Defense Experimentation Using Commercial Space Internet (DEUCSI) Call 003 program – better known by its nickname 'Global Lightning.'

Northrop Grumman was awarded a four-year contract to test how defense contractors and commercial satcom providers could integrate space internet services into existing military systems. As part of its contract with Northrop Grumman, Viasat will provide its ViaSat-3 Satellite Communications Network to enable military users to easily access high-bandwidth satellite internet connectivity from existing USAF aircraft or ground vehicles.

Under the deal, Viasat will integrate its ViaSat-3 modem into Northrop Grumman's open systems processors and antenna solutions to conduct experiments demonstrating its use on multiple platforms. The modem is aligned with open communications and IP-protocol standards in use by the military, for example OpenAMIP, CMOSS, and SOSA. Open standards have been identified as a top priority for the Department of Defense because they enable faster adoption of new communications technologies so military users can keep up with industry innovation. The ViaSat-3 modem is a low size weight and power embeddable module that can seamlessly integrate with multiple mission systems by operating with open standards.

"Global Lightning is about delivering flexibility and agility for military users," said Victor Farah, Head of Viasat Government Systems. "Our reliable satellite services - coupled with the open source optimized ViaSat-3 modem - are designed to be able to offer game changing communications capability so they can connect with ease and deliver mission success. We are delighted to be working on the program to offer our expertise across USAF's defense platforms."

About Viasat

Viasat is a global communications company that believes everyone and everything in the world can be connected. With offices in 24 countries around the world, our mission shapes how consumers, businesses, governments and militaries around the world communicate and connect. Viasat is developing the ultimate global communications network to power high-quality, reliable, secure, affordable, fast connections to positively impact people's lives anywhere they are—on the ground, in the air or at sea, while building a sustainable future in space. In May 2023, Viasat completed its acquisition of Inmarsat, combining the teams, technologies and resources of the two companies to create a new global communications partner. Learn more at www.viasat.com, the [Viasat News Room](#) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), [X](#) or [YouTube](#).

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