

**Before The  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of	)	IB Docket No. 08-232
	)	DA No. 08-2574
Iridium Holdings, LLC	)	
and Iridium Carrier Holdings LLC,	)	FCC File Nos.
Transferors,	)	ITC-T/C-20081021-00471
	)	SES-T/C-20081021-01353
and	)	SES-T/C-20081021-01350
	)	SES-T/C-20081021-01351
GHL Acquisition Corp.,	)	SES-T/C-20082021-01352
Transferee	)	SAT-T/C-20081021-00208
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**PETITION TO DENY**

Pursuant to section 25.154 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.154, Globalstar Licensee LLC ("Globalstar") requests that the Commission deny the above-referenced Application in which Iridium Holdings, LLC and Iridium Carrier Holdings, LLC (collectively "Iridium") and GHL Acquisition Corp. ("GHQ") seek Commission consent for the transfer of control of the licenses and authorizations held by Iridium Carrier Services LLC, Iridium Satellite LLC, and Iridium Constellation LLC.<sup>1/</sup> As discussed below, the Application, as well as other publicly available information concerning the proposed transaction, raise a number of questions

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<sup>1/</sup> See Iridium Carrier Services LLC, FCC File Nos. ITC-T/C-20081021-00471 and SES-T/C-20081021-01353; Iridium Satellite LLC, FCC File Nos. SES-T/C-20081021-01350 and SES-T/C-20081021-01351; Iridium Constellation LLC, FCC File Nos. SES-T/C-20082021-01352 and SAT-T/C-20081021-00208 (filed Oct. 21, 2008) (collectively "*Application*"). See also "Iridium Holdings LLC and Iridium Carrier Holdings LLC, Transferors, and GHL Acquisition Corp., Transferee, Seek FCC Consent to the Transfer of Control of Iridium Carrier Services LLC, Iridium Satellite LLC, and Iridium Constellation LLC," Public Notice, DA 08-2574 (Nov. 26, 2008).

about the state of Iridium's existing satellite constellation, the parties' commitment to the construction and launch of a second-generation constellation, and what role, if any, the proposed transfer will play in that regard. The Commission should not approve the proposed transfer unless and until the Applicants provide sufficient additional information to answer these questions in a manner that demonstrates that the transfer would be in the public interest.

### DISCUSSION

Under Section 310(d) of the Act, Iridium's licenses may not be "transferred, assigned, or disposed of in any manner," including "by transfer of control of any corporation holding [the] license," unless the Commission finds that the transfer is in the "public interest, convenience, and necessity." The Applicants bear "the burden of proving, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the proposed transaction, on balance, will serve the public interest."<sup>2/</sup> Applicants have not met that burden.

The narrative materials accompanying the Application state that the primary purpose of the proposed transaction is to "enhance Iridium's financial position by providing an immediate capital infusion that will enable the Company to retire all of its existing debt and will facilitate its access to additional capital."<sup>3/</sup> Those materials fail, however, to provide any concrete assurances that Iridium has the intention or financial ability to move forward with the construction of a new

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<sup>2/</sup> Applications for Consent to the Transfer of Control of Licenses XM Satellite Radio Holdings Inc., Transferor to Sirius Satellite Radio Inc., Transferee, MB Docket No. 07-57, *Memorandum Opinion and Order and Report and Order*, 23 FCC Rcd 12348, 12365-66 ¶ 30 (2008).

<sup>3/</sup> See *Application*, Exhibit F at 1.

satellite constellation or that a significant portion of the proceeds from this transaction will be applied to that end. Given the revelation in the Application and related materials that Iridium may be operating with fewer than its authorized number of satellites and possibly falling short of its coverage requirement, the Commission should confirm that the proposed transaction would lead ultimately to continued operation of its constellation in accordance with FCC requirements.

Recent public disclosures by GHQ (a) reveal that only a relatively small portion of GHQ's potential \$402 million investment may be available for Iridium's operations and second-generation system, and (b) cast doubt on Iridium's ability to maintain the quality of its service until – or if – it launches its second-generation constellation. As a publicly traded corporation, GHQ is subject to the SEC's requirement that it provide its investors with adequate information regarding Iridium's operations before they decide whether to approve GHQ's proposed acquisition of Iridium.<sup>4/</sup> As a result, Iridium, for the first time since it was taken private in December 2000, has disclosed to the public the state of its satellite constellation. GHQ's disclosures indicate that Iridium's current constellation is degrading and may not be providing as reliable a level of service as Iridium has previously asserted. For example, on December 1, 2008, GHQ disclosed that “[a]s [Iridium's] constellation has aged, some of its satellites have experienced individual component failures affecting their coverage and/or transmission capacity.”<sup>5/</sup> GHQ further disclosed that “[Iridium] has been occasionally advised by its customers and others of temporary intermittent losses of signal cutting off calls in progress,

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<sup>4/</sup> See GHL Acquisition Corp., Schedule 14A, filed with the SEC on Dec. 1, 2008 (“*GHQ SEC Filing*”) at 37.

<sup>5/</sup> See *GHQ SEC Filing* at 37.

preventing completion of calls when made or disrupting the transmission of data.”<sup>6/</sup> In addition, GHQ has informed its investors that, “[w]hile [Iridium] expects its current constellation will be operational through 2014, [Iridium] cannot guarantee it will provide commercially viable service through the transition period to Iridium NEXT.”<sup>7/</sup> Finally, GHQ acknowledges that “[Iridium] may not complete Iridium NEXT on time, on budget *or at all*.”<sup>8/</sup>

These disclosures regarding the future of Iridium’s operations are all the more troubling given that Iridium’s latest Annual Report pursuant to section 25.143(e) of the Commission’s rules, filed with the Commission on October 15, 2008, was substantially redacted in order to “withhold from public inspection” all “information on unscheduled space station [outages], utilization and space stations not available for service or satellites not performing within specifications.”<sup>9/</sup> Given the admissions that GHQ recently has been forced to make, one can only infer that the primary reason Iridium filed its report in such redacted form is to prevent the public from knowing the full extent of the problems its aging constellation is experiencing.

Despite these disclosures about the degrading state of Iridium’s satellite constellation, neither the narrative information accompanying the Application nor GHQ’s filings with the SEC provides any concrete assurance that Iridium has the intent, let alone the financial ability, to

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<sup>6/</sup> *Id.* at 38.

<sup>7/</sup> *Id.*

<sup>8/</sup> *Id.* (emphasis added).

<sup>9/</sup> *See* Iridium Constellation LLC, 1.6/2.4 GHz Mobile Satellite System License, Call Sign S2110, Section 25.143(e) Annual Report and Request for Confidential Treatment Pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 at 1-2.

undertake the construction of a new constellation, which GHQ states, consistent with Iridium's own public announcements, will cost \$2.7 billion or more.<sup>10/</sup> Instead, the vagueness of both filings on this issue raises the question whether the proposed transaction will simply provide a short-term financial windfall for Iridium's current owners, rather than ensure that Iridium's services will be available beyond 2014.<sup>11/</sup>

In particular, Iridium and GHQ state in the Application that the proposed transaction will allow Iridium to "retire its current net indebtedness of approximately \$131 million and, thereafter, to finance capital expenditures and for general corporate purposes."<sup>12/</sup> GHQ's proxy materials add that it plans to pay Iridium's owners "\$77.1 million in cash" and make a "tax benefit payment of up to \$30 million" to them.<sup>13/</sup> The materials state that any funds remaining in GHQ's accounts after these payments will be contributed to Iridium "for working capital and

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<sup>10/</sup> See *GHQ SEC Filing* at 69. Iridium has not yet selected a vendor to design and construct its next generation constellation. Until it does, the estimated cost of \$2.7 billion can only be considered speculative at best, as the ultimate cost of a second-generation constellation on the scale Iridium has described could likely be much greater. Indeed, as the Applicants have acknowledged, "[w]hile Iridium Holdings is currently working with two potential providers to design a satellite constellation at this price level, the design process is still at an early stage and the ultimate total cost of the project cannot be predicted." *See id.*

<sup>11/</sup> There also appear to be significant inconsistencies between the statements made in the Application and in GHQ's proxy materials about the status of Iridium's proposed second-generation constellation. For example, although Iridium and GHQ state in the public interest statement accompanying the Application that "the planning and design stage of [Iridium's second-generation constellation] is already well underway," *see Iridium Application* at 2, GHQ told its investors that "the design process [for any second generation constellation] is still at an early stage." *See GHQ SEC Filing* at 69.

<sup>12/</sup> *Iridium Application*, Exhibit F at 2.

<sup>13/</sup> *See GHQ SEC Filing* at 13.

general corporate purposes.”<sup>14/</sup> These statements provide no assurance that any portion of the funds will be used to invest in a second-generation constellation (or to maintain or improve service to customers in any other way).

In fact, once the debt repayment and specified cash and tax payments to Iridium’s owners are made, and the \$16.4 million in underwriting costs and \$8.4 million in transaction costs are paid,<sup>15/</sup> no more than \$137 million of GHQ’s \$400 million investment would be left. Of that amount, GHQ plans to use up to \$120 million for payment to certain GHQ shareholders in order to buy dissident shareholders’ stock in an attempt to assure approval of the transaction if and when it comes to a vote in 2009.<sup>16/</sup> Even if all of the remaining funds were devoted to Iridium’s new constellation – a commitment the Applicants notably do not make – that would constitute only \$17 million, a trivial amount compared to the \$2.7 billion initial cost estimate for the constellation. The Application offers no basis to conclude that Iridium will have the financial means after the transaction closes even to make a minimal down payment on the cost of a second-generation system. Instead, the GHQ proxy materials state only that Iridium anticipates funding “a large part” of the costs of the new constellation “from internally generated cash flows

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<sup>14/</sup> *Id.*

<sup>15/</sup> *Id.* at 171.

<sup>16/</sup> *Id.* Moreover, as the founding GHQ shareholder, Greenhill and Co. (“Greenhill”) has received 8.37 million shares of GHQ for \$25,000. *See id.* at 16; Greenhill Acquisition Corp., Amendment No. 2 to Form S-1, filed with the SEC on Feb. 4, 2008, at 41. Consequently, Greenhill and its principals will realize a profit in excess of \$70 million based on a current GHQ stock price of \$8.93 per share upon approval of this transaction, regardless of whether the business is ultimately successful.

and secondary payloads, with the remainder from outside financing.”<sup>17/</sup> Iridium has not made even the most superficial case, through the submission of pro forma financial statements or firm contracts with secondary payload providers, that “internally generated cash flows and secondary payloads” will constitute a “large part” of funding for its next generation. The Commission cannot make the necessary public interest findings without this information.

In sum, while Iridium’s owners will no doubt profit from the proposed transaction, the Applicants offer no assurance either that *any* of the funds made available to Iridium as a result of the transaction will be used to pay for a second-generation satellite constellation or that, even if they were, Iridium would ultimately have the wherewithal to enter into a firm contract to design, construct and launch that constellation by 2014, as it claims. This information vacuum is particularly significant in light of the results of Iridium’s 2006 financing, which it acknowledged was used largely to return capital to Iridium’s owners and to refinance indebtedness rather than to ensure that sufficient funds will be available to replace Iridium’s aging constellation.<sup>18/</sup>

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<sup>17/</sup> See *GHQ SEC Filing* at 69. Despite Iridium’s repeated assertion for over two years now that it plans to finance the costs of a second-generation constellation through secondary payloads, to Globalstar’s knowledge no such payloads have been contracted for to date. Instead, as GHQ acknowledges, “to the extent the costs of [Iridium’s proposed] system increases or secondary payload opportunities do not materialize, additional funding may be required.” *Id.*

<sup>18/</sup> See Press Release, “Iridium Satellite Completes \$210 Million Credit Facilities” (Aug. 6, 2006) (stating that Iridium would use the proceeds only “to repay the company’s existing credit facilities, provide cash collateral for a letter of credit, return capital to the company’s equity investors, and for general corporate purposes including development of new and advanced devices and services.”). In fact, it is unclear whether the terms of that credit facility would even permit Iridium to use a significant portion of the funds it receives from positive cash flow or operating profit for the construction of a second-generation constellation. Rather, it appears that substantially all of the cash flow generated following the closing of the 2006 financing transaction must go towards repayment of the debt. The Commission must delve into the terms

Finally, the GHQ proxy materials raise a number of additional issues with respect to Iridium's continued operations that the Commission must investigate before the Application may be granted. These include:

- the substantial likelihood that Iridium will be forced to de-orbit some or all of its satellites well before the launch of any second-generation constellation, based on the U.S. Government's rights to order such de-orbiting in the event that Iridium is sold or that any of its satellites has been in orbit for more than seven years;<sup>19/</sup>
- whether Iridium's assertion that its service provides "complete coverage of the entire globe"<sup>20/</sup> is materially misleading, given the description in the proxy materials of failed components and subsystems on specific satellites, which creates coverage gaps and precludes global roaming;<sup>21/</sup>
- whether Iridium is operating in other countries unlawfully in certain portions of the L-band spectrum for which it has only obtained the authority to operate in the United

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and conditions of Iridium's existing credit facility in connection with its assessment of the instant application.

<sup>19/</sup> See *GHQ SEC Filing* at 145. In order to ensure that Iridium's constellation will not be de-orbited, the Commission should require some demonstration for the record that the U.S. Government has waived its de-orbiting rights before the Application may be granted.

<sup>20/</sup> See *Iridium Application*, Exhibit E at 1.

<sup>21/</sup> Iridium's promotional materials state that it offers "gap-free, pole-to-pole coverage over every square inch of the Earth's surface." See Iridium 9555 Satellite Phone Specifications Sheet (attached and available at [http://www.iridium9555.com/20561\\_iridium9555\\_brochure.pdf](http://www.iridium9555.com/20561_iridium9555_brochure.pdf)). To achieve this comprehensive coverage, all of the crosslinks in Iridium's satellites must function properly. Globalstar does not believe that they do. Iridium's promotional materials also state that it provides "truly global satellite voice and data communications solutions." See Press Release, "Iridium Launches New, Powerful Satellite Phone" (Oct. 20, 2008) (attached and available at <http://iridium.mediaroom.com/index.php?s=43&item=880>). Given GHQ's disclosure that "Iridium is currently unable to offer service in important regions of the world," specifically China, Russia, and India – areas that comprise roughly one-half of the world's population, that cannot be the case. See *GHQ SEC Filing* at 45.

States, in light of GHQ's assertions that Iridium holds "7.775 MHz of [L-band] spectrum" that is "authorized for operation in over 100 countries;"<sup>22/</sup> and

- whether Iridium satisfies the coverage requirements contained in section 25.143(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, in light of GHQ's disclosure that "fewer than 66 of [Iridium's] in-orbit satellites may be fully functioning at any time."<sup>23/</sup>

Viewed together, the application materials and GHQ's SEC disclosures thus raise significant questions about the state of Iridium's current constellation and current operations and its intent and financial ability to move forward with the design, construction, and launch of a second-generation system, which Iridium now suggests will not begin until "around the year" 2014.<sup>24/</sup> The Commission cannot find that the transaction is in the public interest on the current record, in light of the incomplete, if not misleading, disclosures the parties have made to date.

### **Conclusion**

Globalstar respectfully requests that the Commission deny the Application or, in the alternative, require that the Applicants provide additional information for the public record concretely meeting their burden of demonstrating that the transaction will serve the public interest. In light of the newly disclosed information about the degrading nature of Iridium's

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<sup>22/</sup> *Id.* at 141. As Globalstar has demonstrated in another proceeding, to date no country other than the U.S. has authorized Iridium to provide service in the spectrum below 1621.35 MHz. *See, e.g.*, Protest of Globalstar Licensee LLC and GUSA Licensee LLC (filed June 6, 2008).

<sup>23/</sup> *See GHQ SEC Filing* at 37. Globalstar has publicly acknowledged that it is temporarily falling short of the coverage requirement with its duplex service and has requested interim authority from the Commission to operate in such a manner. *See, e.g.*, Globalstar Licensee LLC Request for Interim Operating Authority – Call Sign S2115 – FCC File No. SAT-STA-20070713-00098 (filed July 13, 2007).

<sup>24/</sup> *See Iridium Application*, Exhibit F at 2. *See also GHQ SEC Filing* at 69.

existing constellation, the questions raised about its current operations, and the parties' failure to demonstrate their intent or financial ability to proceed with the design, construction, and deployment of a new constellation before Iridium's current constellation ceases to provide a reliable level of service, the Commission cannot find the transaction to be in the public interest on the current record.

Respectfully submitted,

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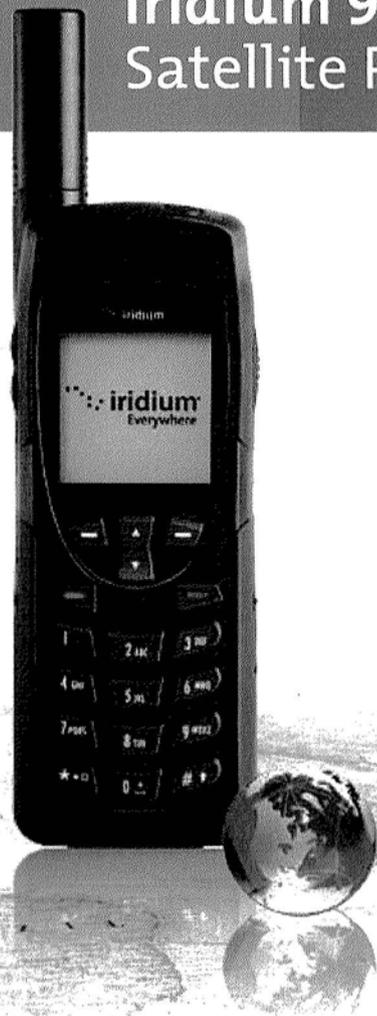
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December 29, 2008

## ATTACHMENTS

## Iridium 9555 Satellite Phone

## The tough customer chosen by even tougher customers



### Anywhere is the new everywhere

Mobile communications can expand frontiers, create opportunities, and establish critical lifelines. But only when it works.

From distant rigs to pitching decks, baking deserts to frozen ice packs, the Iridium 9555 satellite phone can handle any environment. It is small but determined, sleek but industrial grade, easy to use but powerful. It is every bit as rugged as our previous handsets – still resistant to water, dust and shock – but streamlined and packed with innovative new features.

The Iridium 9555 is the evolution of trusted, reliable mobile communications.

And it is connected to the only truly global mobile communications network. So anywhere on the planet you need to be, the Iridium 9555 is always connected and backed by unmatched network quality and world-class technical support.

### Compact Power

The Iridium 9555 is not only the smallest phone Iridium has ever made, it's also the most powerful. With a significantly reduced footprint from our previous phone, more hand-friendly form factor, and aerodynamic features such as an internally stowed antenna, this sleek handset is designed to easily go wherever your customers do – including through your distribution channels.

### Rugged and Reliable Critical Lifelines

The Iridium 9555 is the ultimate in dependable mobile communications. It is a ruggedly built tool, not a toy. It won't play games, take pictures, or play MP3s. What it will do is work. Everywhere. Without exception. It is engineered to withstand the world's toughest environments, so the world's toughest customers can depend on it as a critical lifeline whenever and wherever need takes them.

### Enhanced Features

In addition to all the features you and your customers have come to expect from our trusted satellite phones, the Iridium 9555 also incorporates innovations such as an integrated speakerphone, improved SMS and email messaging capabilities, and an upgraded Mini-USB data port. It continues the evolution of satellite phones, making communication more efficient and effective for end users.

### Intuitive Communications

The Iridium 9555 features a dramatically redesigned and amazingly intuitive user interface – making reliable communication more efficient than ever. We make it so easy, your customers can start making calls right out of the box, skipping the traditional learning curve – and maybe even the need for a user manual.

Iridium 9555 is the latest evolution in our rugged and reliable satellite phones – and it works everywhere. Without exception.

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Iridium Satellite is the only mobile satellite service offering gap-free, pole-to-pole coverage over every square inch of the Earth's surface. Iridium's constellation of 66 low-earth orbiting, cross-linked satellites provides critical voice and data services for regions not served by other communication networks. Voice and data are routed among the satellites without touching the ground, creating a highly secure and reliable connection.



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## Iridium 9555 Features

### FEATURES

- Compact physical footprint for streamlined portability
- Intuitive user interface for out-of-the-box functionality
- Water, shock and dust resistance for unparalleled durability
- Enhanced SMS and email messaging capability
- Integrated speakerphone
- Headset and hands-free capability
- Internally stowed antenna
- Mini-USB data port

### SPECIFICATIONS

- Dimensions: 143 mm (L) x 55 mm (W) x 30 mm (D)
- Weight: 266g (9.4 oz)

### DURATION

- Standby time: Up to 30 hours
- Talk time: Up to 4 hours

### DISPLAY

- 200 character illuminated graphic display
- Volume, signal and battery strength meters
- Illuminated weather-resistant keypad

### CALLING FEATURES

- Integrated speakerphone
- Quick-connect to Iridium voicemail
- Two-way SMS and short email capability
- Pre-programmable International Access Code (00 or +)
- Mailbox for voice, numeric & text messages
- Selectable ring and alert tones (8 choices)

### MEMORY

- 100 entry internal address book, with capacity for multiple phone numbers, email addresses and notes
- SIM-based address book with 155 entry capacity
- Call history retains received, missed and dialed calls

### USAGE CONTROL FEATURES

- User-configurable call timers to manage costs
- Keypad lock and PIN lock for additional security

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**Video: Iridium Launches New, Powerful Satellite Phone**

**'9555' Features Enhanced Usability Provides a Reliable, Critical, Global Lifeline**

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BETHESDA, Md., Oct. 20 /PRNewswire/ -- Iridium Satellite LLC today unveiled its smallest, most powerful satellite phone - the Iridium "9555" - at its annual Partner Conference in Miami, Fla. The innovative, all-new design of the 9555 offers a significantly reduced size, a more hand-friendly form factor, an intuitive user interface, and new features such as an internally stowed antenna. It is compact, light and easy to use, featuring a brighter screen, a speaker phone, improved Short Messaging Service (SMS) and email capabilities, and an upgraded mini-USB data port. The new phone is engineered to withstand and perform well in the world's most rugged, remote and industrial environments, including being water- and shock-resistant. Combined with the only communications network providing truly global coverage, the 9555 delivers the reliable, secure, real-time, mission-critical communications service that Iridium users have come to expect.

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"The 9555 is yet another example of our continuing investment in our products, services and infrastructure," said Don Thoma, executive vice president, marketing, Iridium. "In designing the

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9555, we believe we have responded to our customers' needs. In addition to delivering this sleek new handset, we also are known for excellent network reliability, which is why we offer the Iridium Network Quality Guarantee."

Iridium is the only provider of truly global satellite voice and data communications solutions with complete coverage of the entire earth including oceans, airways and even Polar Regions. Iridium customers are organizations and individuals operating in some of the most remote and harsh regions of the world, from distant oil rigs to ships at sea and deserts. The Iridium 9555 utilizes the largest commercial satellite constellation in the world, consisting of 66 low-earth orbiting cross-linked satellites, and operates as a fully meshed network with in-orbit spares.

"The 9555 is, by far, the phone that first responders will want to have on hand for backup emergency communications in case of natural or man-made disasters," said Thoma. "Iridium phones are the only handsets that can be used in absolutely any location, in any condition, instead of cellular, landline or radio services that can become inoperable when towers go down or telecommunications infrastructure is compromised. Since the 9555 is lightweight and simple to use, it will be the satellite phone of choice for emergency workers and customers in other remote environments such as the open seas, on rugged industrial sites, and in extreme travel scenarios."

"To help us live up to our mission of 'safely bringing the beauty and excitement of adventure to those who pursue it,' we have long relied on Iridium phones during our expeditions," said Mark Gunlogson, president, Mountain Madness, one of the world's top mountain guide services. "Now, having a smaller, lighter phone that still provides that critical lifeline will be a welcome addition to our backpacks as we travel across the globe."

The 9555 design includes a menu-driven interface, making it very user-friendly for customers. Soft keys are utilized to allow for flexible menu choices and ease of navigation. Key features of the 9555 handset include:

- Lighter weight design - 27 percent lighter than 9505A handset
- Compact - 30 percent smaller than 9505A handset
- Internally retractable antenna for compact carrying
- Illuminated, weather-resistant keypad redesigned for ease-of-use
- A menu configurable in any of 21 languages
- Enhanced functionality for improved integration of messaging (short

- email and SMS)
- Additional address book fields for more phone numbers, email address and notes
- Programmable international codes for automatic dialing
- Built-in help function
- Integrated speakerphone
- Mini-USB data port
- Standby time up to 30 hours
- Talk time up to 4 hours

The 9555 handset will be available from Iridium service partners starting in November 2008. For more information on where to purchase the phone, please visit <http://www.iridium.com/>.

#### About Iridium Satellite

Iridium Satellite LLC (<http://www.iridium.com/>) is the only mobile satellite service (MSS) company offering pole-to-pole coverage over the entire globe. The Iridium constellation of low-earth orbiting (LEO), cross-linked satellites provides critical voice and data services for areas not served by other communication networks. Iridium's subscriber growth has been driven by increasing demand for reliable, secure, global communications. Iridium serves commercial markets through a worldwide network of hundreds of distributors, and provides services to the U.S. Department of Defense, and other U.S. and international government agencies. The company's customers represent a broad spectrum of industry, including maritime, aeronautical, government/defense, public safety, utilities, oil/gas, mining, forestry, heavy equipment and transportation. Iridium has launched a major development program for its next-generation satellite constellation, Iridium NEXT, which will result in continued and new Iridium MSS offerings. The company is headquartered in Bethesda, Md. and is privately held.

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