



Press release

SES AND CASTOR NETWORKS SIGN CAPACITY EXPANSION DEAL ON NSS-7 TO MEET GROWING CONNECTIVITY NEEDS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

Luxembourg, September 3, 2012 – SES (Euronext Paris and Luxembourg Stock Exchange: SESG) and Castor Networks announced today that the Dutch provider of teleport, VSAT and broadcasting services has signed a capacity expansion agreement on SES' NSS-7 satellite to meet the growing needs for connectivity throughout Southern Africa.

Castor Networks will utilise the new capacity to enable the delivery of voice and data across corporate networks of oil & gas and mining industries, ISPs and governments in countries such as Angola, Mozambique and South Africa.

At 340 degrees East, NSS-7's newly-configured South Africa Ku-band beam is well-positioned to support VSAT hubs in Europe that are expanding into remote areas in Southern Africa.

"NSS-7 is an ideal fit, as it is a high-powered satellite that offers comprehensive coverage over Southern Africa with cross connectivity into Europe and complements Castor Networks' iDirect Ku-band coverage over Africa," said Edwin Cras, Managing Director of Castor Networks. "SES, with its professional account management and technical sales support team, has been taking the lead in searching for the right technical solution, allowing us to grow our business by offering competitive rates on first NSS-12, and now NSS-7."

"Castor Networks is an innovative satellite solution provider that has developed significant bandwidth efficiency gains. We are delighted to have Castor Networks aboard NSS-7 and make use of the satellite's new connectivity to extend its networks. This latest contract broadens our partnership and reflects the escalating demand for connectivity throughout Africa," said Norbert Hölzle, Senior Vice President of Europe, Commercial for SES.

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About SES

SES is a world-leading satellite operator with a fleet of 51 geostationary satellites. The company provides satellite communications services to broadcasters, content and internet service providers, mobile and fixed network operators and business and governmental organisations worldwide.

SES stands for long-lasting business relationships, high-quality service and excellence in the broadcasting industry. The culturally diverse regional teams of SES are located around the globe and work closely with customers to meet their specific satellite bandwidth and service requirements.

SES (Euronext Paris and Luxembourg Stock Exchange: SESG) holds participations in Ciel in Canada and QuetzSat in Mexico, as well as a strategic participation in satellite infrastructure start-up O3b Networks. Further information under: www.ses.com.

About Castor Networks

Castor Networks (www.castor.nl) is a leading Dutch provider of Teleport, VSAT and Broadcasting services to wholesale, media, government and business customers. Castor Networks provides reliable mission and business critical communication services including iDirect, SCPC and Teleport services from its Teleport facilities in Burum, The Netherlands. To achieve high availability and reliability, all services are set-up fully redundant with ready to be deployed spares. Castor Networks's headquarters is in Hilversum, The Netherlands. The Africa Sub-Saharan regional head-office is in Johannesburg, South Africa (www.castornetworks.co.za).