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FRENCH DIGITAL TV SATELLITE OFFER TNTSAT TOPS ONE MILLION HOUSEHOLDS AT END 2008

TNTSAT HD to be launched on 15 February 2009

Betzdorf (Luxembourg) / Paris, 12 January 2009 – SES ASTRA, an SES company (Euronext Paris and Luxembourg Stock Exchange: SESG), announced today that TNTSAT, the French digital terrestrial free-TV offer via the ASTRA satellite system has further extended its reach. Only 16 months after its launch more than one million TNTSAT receivers have already been distributed to French households. The ASTRA satellite system serves more than five million French direct-to-home households, including TNTSAT viewers, from its prime orbital position 19.2 degrees East.

TNTSAT is a service targeted to regions in France where TV households cannot receive signals from terrestrial transmitters. It offers French TV viewers the full range of French digital terrestrial free-TV channels over the ASTRA satellites, allowing 100 percent coverage of France.

TNTSAT HD will be launched on 15 February 2009 with the free DTT (Digital Terrestrial TV) channels in High Definition, TF1 HD, France 2 HD, M6 HD and ARTE HD, available on ASTRA.

To receive TNTSAT, households need a 60cm satellite-dish pointed to ASTRA's prime orbital position 19.2 degrees and a TNTSAT receiver.

For more information on TNTSAT see: www.tntsat.tv

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About SES ASTRA

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SES ASTRA is the leading Direct-to-Home (DTH) satellite system in Europe. The satellite fleet currently comprises 14 ASTRA and two SIRIUS satellites. The combined satellite system delivers services to more than 117 million DTH and cable households and transmits nearly 2,500 analogue and digital television and radio channels. SES ASTRA also provides satellite-based multimedia, internet and telecommunication services to enterprises, governments and their agencies. With more than 60 High Definition (HD) channels on its main orbital positions, ASTRA and SIRIUS represent the most important HDTV platform for Europe's leading broadcasters. The prime orbital positions for ASTRA and SIRIUS are 19.2° East, 28.2° East, 23.5° East, 5° East and 31.5° East.

SES ASTRA is an SES company (Euronext Paris and Luxembourg Stock Exchange: SESG). SES owns three market-leading satellite operators, SES ASTRA in Europe, SES AMERICOM in North America, and SES NEW SKIES which provides global coverage and connectivity. The company owns 90 percent of SES SIRIUS in Europe, as well as strategic participations in Ciel in Canada and Quetzsat in Mexico. SES provides outstanding satellite communications solutions via a fleet of 39 satellites in 26 orbital positions around the globe. Additional information on SES is available at: www.ses.com