Viasat Selected by U.S. Space Force, in partnership with Golden Dome for America, for the Space Data Network Backbone (SDN-B) development

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IDIQ contract with a maximum ceiling of $450 million and an initial task order of $115 million will support integration and sustainment of future space-enabled data transport network

CARLSBAD, Calif., Nov. 10, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Viasat, Inc. (NASDAQ: VSAT), a global leader in satellite communications, today announced it has been awarded an Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract with a $450 million ceiling by the U.S. Space Force's (USSF) Space Systems Command (SSC). Under the contract, Viasat will support the design, fielding, sustainment and operations of the Space Data Network Backbone (SDN-B) mission operations center (MOC) under government direction. SDN-B is a multi-vendor data transport architecture designed to provide resilient, high-capacity, low-latency data transport supporting U.S. Space Force, Golden Dome for America and Joint Force operations worldwide.

The Viasat award includes an initial $115 million Task Order award to support development and scaling of the MOC and associated network operations capability.

Key Contract Scope:

Viasat will apply its extensive heritage in operating secure, global satellite networks to deliver robust enterprise-level integration for the USSF:

- Systems Engineering & Integration — Viasat will support systems engineering and integration for the space-to-ground interface to support multi-orbit connectivity services.
- Enterprise Network Operations — The team is establishing a network operations infrastructure to support data transport management in accordance with Government-directed mission priorities.
- Common Operational Picture (COP) — The MOC will support a common operational picture of network health, status, and performance.
- Life-Cycle Sustainment — The effort includes engineering and sustainment support consistent with Government requirements and future task orders to support availability, resilience, and cybersecurity requirements.

Viasat will use its experience operating secure, large-scale satellite communications networks to support a mission operations capability that integrates and manages participating connectivity services under Government direction. Viasat will provide systems engineering, integration, sustainment, and operational support for the MOC. The MOC is intended to support data transport management for participating SDN-B elements to support a common operational picture, in accordance with Government-directed mission priorities.

“The Space Data Network Backbone represents a critical leap forward toward a unified, highly resilient and interconnected military space architecture. We are proud to support SSC as the network and mission system integration partner for the MOC effort,” said Craig Miller, President of Viasat Government. “This award leverages Viasat’s deep experience operating complex, mission-critical networks. By bringing commercial scale and dual-use innovative technology to support Government capability delivery, we are committed to supporting the Space Force’s effort to field secure, high-capacity data transport for current and future defense missions.”

The effort supports SSC’s broader approach to integrating commercial technologies within an open architecture. By developing mission and network integration tools, Viasat will support resilient data transport for Joint Force operations. Through this contract, Viasat will support the development of a network management framework and resilient network operations support, monitoring, and sustainment for the MOC in support of evolving Space Force and Joint Force requirements.

This contract aligns with broader Department of War initiatives to strengthen warfighting and homeland defense capabilities through resilient, space-based communication architectures. By securing data transport and integrating multi-domain capabilities, resilient space-tier networks serve as the essential command-and-control backbone for national security. Seamlessly fusing data from orbit to the tactical edge ensures that national defense systems can rapidly detect, track, and intercept modern aerial and missile threats.

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 LinkedIn, X, Instagram, Facebook, Bluesky, Threads, and YouTube.

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Forward-Looking Statements
This press release contains forward-looking statements that are subject to the safe harbors created under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements include, among others, statements that refer to Viasat's IDIQ contract award for the SDN-B, including the anticipated design, development, integration, and delivery of enterprise network orchestration capabilities and their expected performance; future operations and sustainment services for the SDN-B network; and Viasat's receipt of any future task orders or other awards under the IDIQ contract. Readers are cautioned that actual results could differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ include: risks associated with the construction, launch and operation of satellites, including the effect of any anomaly, operational failure or degradation in satellite performance; changes in relationships with, or the financial condition of, key customers or suppliers; our reliance on a limited number of third parties to manufacture and supply our products; our ability to successfully develop, introduce and sell new technologies, products and services; increased competition; the effect of adverse regulatory changes (including changes affecting spectrum availability or permitted uses) on our ability to sell or deploy our products and services; changes in the way others use spectrum; our inability to access additional spectrum, use spectrum for additional purposes, and/or operate satellites at additional orbital locations; competing uses of the same spectrum or orbital locations that we utilize or seek to utilize; and introduction of new technologies and other factors affecting the communications and defense industries generally. In addition, please refer to the risk factors contained in our SEC filings available at www.sec.gov, including our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date on which they are made. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements for any reason.