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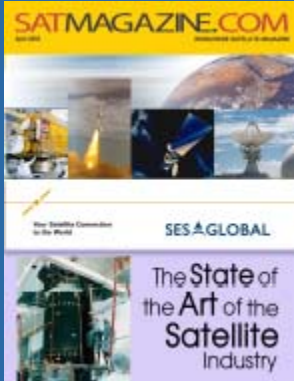
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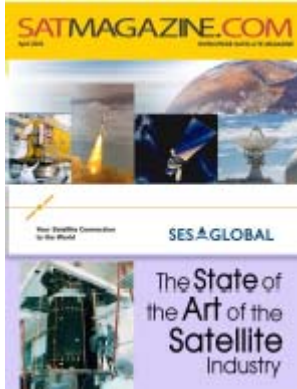
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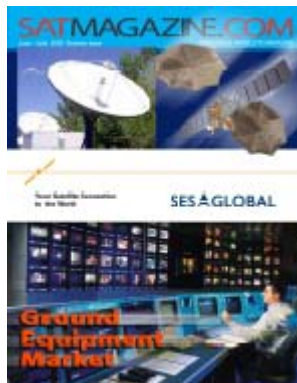
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## SES GLOBAL

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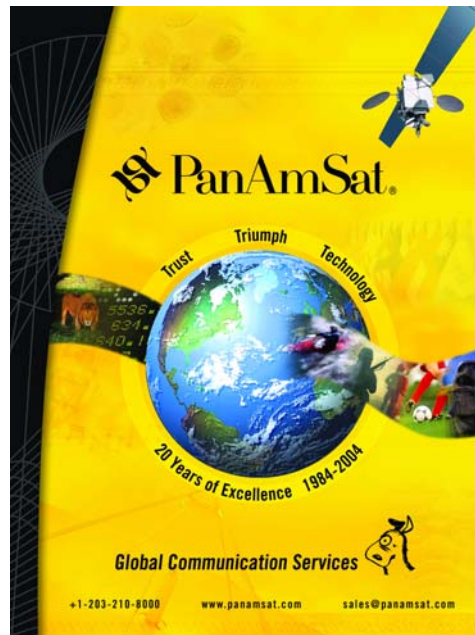
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# Comtech EF Data

Comtech EF Data, a subsidiary of Comtech Telecommunications Corporation (NASDAQ: CMTL), designs and manufactures a broad range of data and RF satellite communications equipment deployed in commercial and government applications around the globe. With a reputation for providing unparalleled product quality and reliability, we are committed to delivering products that continue this tradition. All products meet or exceed the standards published by Intelsat®, Eutelsat, Insat, AsiaSat and other satellite operators.

Comtech EF Data is recognized as a technology leader and innovator, with offerings such as the industry's most advanced and bandwidth efficient forward error correction, Turbo Product Coding (TPC), an array of modulation techniques plus advanced IP-centric features enabling satellite communications links to be maximized.

Typical users of Comtech EF Data products are: Satellite operators and broadband service providers, cellular service providers plus organizations with large or evolving satellite bandwidth requirements, including government agencies, homeland security, educational institutions, energy companies, mariner communications providers and others.

The line-up of data products includes Satellite Modems, Monitor & Control Software and a TCP/IP Performance Enhancement Proxy. Available with countless configurations and options, our "CDM" and "SDM" Satellite Modems provide:

- L-Band or 70/140 MHz
- Data rates from 2.4 kbps to 100 Mbps
- Full range of modulation – BPSK, QPSK, OQPSK, 8-PSK and 16-QAM
- Complete set of Forward Error Correction, such as Viterbi, Sequential, Reed-Solomon, Pragmatic Trellis Coding Modulation and Turbo Product Coding
- Range of interfaces EIA422/530, V.35, EIA232 and G.703 T1/E1, 10/100 Ethernet, LVDS and HSSI



- Local and remote management – SNMP, Web, M&C port, front panel

The IP-Centric Modems take bandwidth optimization to a new level. Available features, such as Payload Compression, Header Compression and Quality of Service improve transmission quality, enable significant bandwidth savings and increase control of bandwidth provisioning. Combine *turboIP*™ into the equation and performance of TCP traffic over impaired satellite links can be accelerated, restoring network efficiency.

In conjunction with our sister division, Comtech Vipersat Networks, we offer the Vipersat Management System, which provides a seamless IP-based infrastructure for satellite networking. This advanced system automates bandwidth utilization while optimizing space segment efficiency. It is scalable, designed to accommodate future growth and capable of centrally managing networks.

Comtech EF Data's RF products include Converters, Solid State Power Amplifiers (SSPAs), Transceivers and Satellite Terminals. The Up and Down Frequency Converters are available in C-, Ku- or X-Band models, for the transmission of SCPC, DAMA and TDMA, as well as full transponder HDTV and analog TV. Our SSPAs for C, Ku- and X-Band frequencies are offered for use in communication systems or in satellite uplink data systems.

Our C, Ku- and X-Band Transceivers provide superior performance, long-term reliability and ease of installation. And, our Very Small Aperture Terminal (VSAT) systems are intended for applications requiring low cost components. Available in various models to support indoor or outdoor applications, C- or Ku-Band frequencies, the Terminals meet the needs of single and multiple site configurations.

Comtech EF Data products are installed in more than 160 countries from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe. With 24x7 customer support, we are prepared to assist you maximize satellite bandwidth, reduce fixed and operational costs and simplify configuration and management.

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# MITEQ: A Technology Driven Company

**E**stablished in 1969, MITEQ has been committed to designing and manufacturing state-of-the-art microwave components and subsystems. With the continuous investment in technology development, the MITEQ product line continues to grow in scope and complexity.

The recent acquisition of MCL Inc., a designer and manufacturer of high power amplifiers (HPAs), greatly enhances the ability to serve the needs of MITEQ's customers in the SATCOM field. MITEQ will be expanding resources to continue MCL improvements in new product development, quality of product and customer service.

The addition of HPAs to the MITEQ product line and the internal developments in fiber-optic components for high-speed fiber-optic communication circuits further establishes MITEQ as a multi-faceted communications company, pushing the boundaries of technology development.

It is an understatement to say that MITEQ offers a wide selection of products. In fact, "we have such a broad product line that we work virtually for most of the U.S. and international system companies", says President and CEO Arthur Faverio.

These companies choose MITEQ because of its high quality products,

which are designed and supported by the MITEQ engineering staff. "It's the level of technical competence", Faverio says, "plus competitively priced products built with a high level of quality and reliability, all supported by our customer service". All MITEQ products are backed with an extended warranty.

The emphasis on technical competence and product quality is a



primary reason for success. MITEQ is comprised of 14 separate product units, each one headed by an engineer. When it comes to product design and service, it's an engineer who's behind it all: one who understands the products' application and the importance of engineering product development. MITEQ was founded on this principle and its success is based on the technical aspects of the customer interface. This includes the MITEQ sales/marketing staff, all of whom are technically educated.

Although there are separate product units, the technology that is developed by each unit is shared throughout the company. The major benefactor of this structure is the communications systems group. "We

can draw from the technology of all of MITEQ's component areas to assemble the most comprehensive line of satellite communications frequency translation products in the world," Faverio says.

The communications products group manufactures upconverters, downconverters, test loop translators, redundant switchover units, redundant low noise amplifier systems and a wide range of equipment for Inmarsat applications. Although the emphasis of these products is in the L-, C-, X-, Ku- and Ka-bands, the frequency capabilities of current components and system products extend from video to

60GHz.

MITEQ offers dual conversion, synthesized upconverters and downconverters, which are available in 1 kHz and 125 kHz steps in a single-rack panel height unit. These converters offer complete remote control capability over a variety of remote interfaces (RS232, RS422, RS485, IEEE 488 and contact closure).

In short, when it comes to RF satellite equipment, MITEQ pretty much has it all. And if they don't have it, they can probably build it on a custom basis to fit the customer's needs.

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# Paradise Datacom

### Intro/Heritage

Paradise Datacom is a manufacturer of satcom electronic equipment integral in providing a variety of data transfer solutions in voice, video and data networks. The company is a unique blend of over 35 years of telecom experience having absorbed such organizations as Locus and SierraCom to become today's Paradise Datacom. Paradise Datacom, with facilities in the United Kingdom and United States, has become a leader in providing Satellite Telecom Equipment. From baseband to the antenna feed, Paradise Datacom has solutions for today's communications needs.

### Hardware Solutions

Paradise Datacom offers lightweight and easy to use equipment providing a high degree of user interface intelligence. All Paradise Datacom products are available in a variety of redundant configurations.

**Modems** - Products include the P300 Series of Modems including 70 MHz, L-Band and a Mentat SkyX© Enhanced TCP/IP Router/Ethernet interface as well as the "industry favorite" built-in 1:1 capability. These modems are also available in a 1:N configuration for even more assurance against loss of traffic. Newly released, P300VMUX version of the modem will provide a built in Vocality multiplexer with Voice/Fax, Synchronous data and Ethernet IP ports for simultaneous connectivity of multiple services.

**LNAs** - Paradise provides a family of quality Low Noise Amplifiers that have been an industry standard for nearly 25 years. Available in C, Ku, X, Ka and custom bands, Paradise Datacom offers some of the lowest, uncooled, noise temperatures available in the industry. LNA redundant systems and custom plate assemblies are available for all LNA frequencies as well.



### 1.1 KW at C Band SSPA @ 9RU

**BUCs and Transceivers** - Paradise offers a comprehensive line of C and Ku "intelligent" block up-converters and complete 70 MHz or L-Band transceiver solutions for lightweight VSAT applications. Output power levels are available in C-Band from 5W to 170W and in Ku-Band from 2W to 100W, all through the use of our own SSPA designs.

**SSPAs** - Paradise offers a variety of C, Ku, S and X Band Solid State Power Amplifiers. These are available in either small weatherized enclosures for antenna mounting, or efficient indoor

packages for higher output power transmit applications. Most SSPA's can be provided with an optional integral block up-converter. Paradise Datacom SSPAs are available with power levels to 1.1 KW at C Band and 450 watts at Ku Band. Both indoor and outdoor SSPAs are available and are among the highest power, smallest and most reliable units available on the market today.

With a unique ability to cost-effectively phase combine SSPAs and provide redundancy at the same time, Paradise offers an affordable method to have a back-up SSPA and still be able to double the output when required due to atmospheric conditions or increased traffic.

### Direction

Paradise Datacom has a rich tradition of providing dedicated support to its customers. This includes sales and service as well as engineering support. Paradise

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