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## **Astronics AeroSat Appoints Satcom Direct as Authorized Reseller of FliteStream™ Service**

*Leading global provider for comprehensive communication services measurably extends  
Aerosat's business aviation and VVIP market reach*

EAST AURORA, NY, October 20, 2014 –Astronics AeroSat, which designs and manufactures satellite connectivity solutions for aircraft, has signed an agreement with Satcom Direct to offer Astronics Aerosat FliteStream™, the business aviation industry's dedicated global broadband connectivity solution. Astronics Aerosat is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Astronics Corporation (NASDAQ: ATRO). Astronics is a leading provider of advanced technologies for the global aerospace and defense industries.

Dennis Ferguson, president of Astronics AeroSat, noted, "Satcom Direct's leading position in the business aviation and VVIP market and large sales and service network greatly extends the market reach for our FliteStream solution and perfectly complements their capabilities and offerings. We believe our dedicated broadband solution for the business aviation world provides the most robust and predictable connectivity capability for the discerning business and VVIP traveler."

The FliteStream service is customizable to meet each customer's needs geographically as well as for bandwidth requirements.

"We are pleased to work with Satcom Direct and believe this relationship will accelerate the opportunities for the business aviation and VVIP markets to experience the unique capabilities of our system." Mr Ferguson concluded.

### **ABOUT ASTRONICS CORPORATION**

Astronics Corporation is a leader in advanced, high-performance lighting, electrical power, specialized avionics products and automated test systems for the global aerospace and defense industries. Astronics' strategy is to develop and maintain positions of technical leadership in its chosen aerospace and defense markets, to leverage those positions to grow the amount of content and volume of product it sells to those markets and to selectively acquire businesses with similar technical capabilities that could benefit from our leadership position and strategic direction. Astronics Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiaries have a reputation for high-quality designs, exceptional responsiveness, strong brand recognition and best-in-class manufacturing practices. The Company routinely posts news and other important information on its website at [www.astronics.com](http://www.astronics.com).

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### **ABOUT SATCOM DIRECT**

Satcom Direct is the leading provider of satellite voice and broadband data solutions for flight deck and cabin communications serving business, military, government, and heads of state aircraft. The company is a premier Inmarsat Distribution Partner, Iridium Service Partner, and ViaSat Yonder's preferred reseller,

supporting more than ninety percent of all corporate flight departments worldwide. Satcom Direct continues to advance its services through mobile applications and value adds – from flight deck datalink to cabin communications – making Satcom Direct the leader in aeronautical satcom service.

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