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Avanti Selects Gilat's X-Architecture to Enhance Reach and Resilience of EE's LTE Network in the UK

Gilat's Capricorn VSAT, now enhanced with Mobile-Edge Computing (MEC), is a disruptive technology that will propel cellular-backhaul-over-satellite into the mainstream

Petah Tikva, Israel, August 8, 2016 -- Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. (NASDAQ, TASE: GILT), a worldwide leader in satellite networking technology, solutions and services, announced today that Avanti Communications Group plc ("Avanti") has selected Gilat's one-platform/ multiple-application X-Architecture and its MEC-enabled Capricorn VSAT. The announcement relates to [Avanti's contract](#) to supply EE with satellite capacity for 4G cellular backhaul across the UK.

Gilat's MEC-enabled SkyEdge II-c Capricorn is a technological game-changer, enabling Mobile Network Operators (MNOs) to deliver true LTE-over-satellite performance. With this network, EE will be able to provide dedicated voice, data and video services at high speeds using satellite backhaul. Gilat VSATs will be deployed at fixed and portable sites throughout the UK later this year.

Mansoor Hanif, Director of Radio Access Networks at EE, said: "This world class cellular backhaul over satellite solution will play a key part in enhancing our 4G network resilience and helping us to extend the network even further into rural areas as we carry on our journey to cover 95% of the UK landmass."

"EE's 4G network requires the highest levels of network quality and flexibility. Avanti's Ka-band satellite fleet is able to provide this for EE across every part of the UK," stated David Williams, Chief Executive Officer of Avanti. "Gilat's innovative architecture and platform complement our satellite backhaul services, and provide value to EE and, ultimately, its customers."

"We are proud to have been selected by Avanti and EE for their LTE network over satellite," said Michal Aharonov, VP Global Accounts & Telecom Services at Gilat. "This deal testifies to our industry leadership in cellular backhaul."

"The MEC-enabled Capricorn provides the highest data and encryption rates on the market, maintaining IPsec data security at unprecedented speeds without packet loss under fade conditions," explained Hagay Katz, Head of the VSAT Line of Business at Gilat. "It is a flexible solution that will allow us to quickly deploy a wide range of applications in the future."



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About Gilat

Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd (NASDAQ, TASE: GILT) is a leading provider of products and services for satellite-based broadband communications. Gilat develops and markets a wide range of high-performance satellite ground segment equipment and VSATs, with an increasing focus on the consumer and Ka-band market. In addition, Gilat enables mobile SOTM (Satellite-on-the-Move) solutions providing low-profile antennas, next generation solid-state power amplifiers and modems. Gilat also provides managed network and satellite-based services for rural telephony and Internet access via its subsidiaries in Peru and Colombia.

With over 25 years of experience, and over a million products shipped to more than 90 countries, Gilat has provided enterprises, service providers and operators with efficient and reliable satellite-based connectivity solutions, including cellular backhaul, banking, retail, e-government and rural communication networks. Gilat also enables leading defense, public security and news organizations to implement advanced, on-the-move tactical communications on board their land, air and sea fleets using Gilat's high-performance SOTM solutions. Gilat controlling shareholders are the FIMI Private Equity Funds. For more information, please visit us at www.gilat.com

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