

Gogo Receives Blanket License from the FCC to Operate up to 1,000 Ku-band Satellite Aircraft

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License is Granted for International and Domestic Use Based on Gogo's Ku Constellation

ITASCA, III., May 14, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Gogo, the leader of in-flight connectivity and a pioneer in wireless in-flight digital entertainment solutions, announced today that the FCC has granted the company a blanket license to operate up to 1,000 Ku-band Satellite aircraft for international and domestic service.

The license is granted based on Gogo's agreements with SES and Intelsat that will provide the company with extensive global Ku-band satellite coverage. Under its agreement with SES, Gogo will utilize a trio of SES satellites that will enable Gogo to expand its broadband offering in the sky to aircraft flying busy transatlantic routes. The SES-1 spacecraft will cover the continental U.S., while NSS-703 and three powerful spot beams will reach across the North Atlantic and SES-4 serves Europe. Gogo service through the NSS-703 satellite is expected to be transitioned in mid-2014 to the new SES-6 bird, slated for launch next year.

Under its agreement with Intelsat, Gogo has access to the Intelsat 19, Intelsat 21 and Intelsat 22 satellites. These satellites are designed to provide high-speed connectivity for airline passengers crossing portions of the Atlantic and northern Pacific oceans, as well as routes over South America, Asia, Africa and Australia.

"The licensing is another step in allowing us to launch global in-flight services, including services for aircraft flying busy routes over the Atlantic and Pacific oceans," said Michael Small, Gogo's president and CEO.

Gogo also has an agreement in place with satellite provider Inmarsat, to offer airlines a global Ka-band satellite solution via Inmarsat's Global Xpress service when it becomes available in 2015.

About Gogo

Gogo is a global leader of in-flight connectivity and a pioneer in wireless in-flight digital entertainment solutions. Using Gogo's exclusive products and services, passengers with Wi-Fi enabled devices can get online on more than 1,800 Gogo equipped commercial aircraft. In-flight connectivity partners include American Airlines, Air Canada, AirTran Airways, Alaska Airlines, Delta Air Lines, Frontier Airlines, United Airlines, US Airways and Virgin America. In-flight entertainment partners include American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, Scoot and US Airways.

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