

MDA Geospatial Services Inc.: RapidEye's Canadian Data Distributor

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Brandenburg / Havel, Germany, July 22, 2010 – RapidEye, the only geospatial solutions provider to own and operate a constellation of five identical Earth Observation satellites, announced today that MDA Geospatial Services Inc. (MDA GSI), a subsidiary of MacDonald, Dettwiler and Associates Ltd. (MDA) has signed a contractual agreement with RapidEye to be one of its data distributors in Canada.

John Ahlrichs, Vice President of RapidEye, commented “We are glad to have MDA GSI on board as our distributor for Canada. MDA led the development and delivery of our satellite system as our prime contractor. It's only natural that their Geospatial division will be growing the market for RapidEye data in Canada. Through this partnership we will benefit from MDA GSI's expertise, their excellent data sales infrastructure, and their long-standing, trusted relationships in the Canadian market.”

Paulo Bezerra, the manager responsible for this business area, said “We look forward to collaborating with RapidEye and to their team of experts. We trust in this partnership and expect great interest in RapidEye's high quality satellite imagery in the Canadian market. We are also looking forward to partnering on joint solutions projects developed from optical and radar imagery.”

Currently, RapidEye is working on completing its worldwide network of distributors in order to facilitate easy access to RapidEye products in their customers' own language and region. For a full list of RapidEye's distributors, please visit www.rapideye.de/distributors.

About MDA Geospatial Services Inc.

MDA GSI, a subsidiary of MacDonald, Dettwiler and Associates Ltd. (MDA), provides Earth Observation data, information products and services from aerial platforms and the majority of commercially available radar and optical satellites. These products and services are used globally for resource mapping, environmental monitoring, offshore oil and gas exploration, ice reconnaissance, maritime surveillance and disaster management.

MDA GSI holds the exclusive distribution rights to Canada's RADARSAT-1 synthetic aperture radar (SAR) satellite, and holds the sole right to sublicense, distribute and market RADARSAT-2 Data and Products on behalf of MDA, the owner of the RADARSAT-2 Data and Products . MDA GSI is responsible for RADARSAT-2 operations. RADARSAT-2 offers unparalleled imaging flexibility, dual polarization and full polarimetric imaging options, high-resolution and a highly responsive programming and delivery ground segment.

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About RapidEye AG

RapidEye is an ISO-certified geospatial information provider focused on integrating customized and industry specific solutions into the workflow of global customers in agriculture, forestry, energy, infrastructure, government, security and emergency. RapidEye experts and the satellite system – a constellation of five satellites capable of downloading over 4 million km² of high resolution, multi-spectral imagery per day, and a ground segment for processing and archiving data – allow for cost-effective customized services. The unique combination of large area coverage, high spatial resolution and the possibility of daily revisit to an area provide for superior management information solutions. Currently, more than 120 experts from more than 20 countries are employed by RapidEye, with plans to grow the team to 130 in 2010.

RapidEye benefits from a public-private partnership with the Space Agency of the German Aerospace Center (DLR), which is supported by the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology. RapidEye is also co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and the State of Brandenburg in Germany. For more information on ERDF please contact efreinfo@mw.brandenburg.de.

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