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SATELLITE INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES DEPARTURE OF PRESIDENT PATRICIA COOPER AND SEARCH FOR NEW PRESIDENT

Washington, D.C. – July 30, 2014 – The Satellite Industry Association (SIA) today announced the resignation of Association President Patricia Cooper, effective August 15, 2014, and that it will begin a search for a new President this summer. Ms. Cooper joined SIA as President in late 2007 and for nearly seven years has successfully led the U.S.-based trade association in representing the leading satellite operators, service providers, manufacturers, launch services providers, and ground equipment suppliers before the U.S. government’s policy, regulatory and legislative bodies.

Ms. Cooper is leaving SIA to assume a leadership role within the satellite community.

SIA’s Board of Directors will commence its search this summer for a successor to lead the Association. During the recruitment process, SIA Policy Director Sam Black will assume the interim role as SIA’s Acting President.

“On behalf of SIA’s board and all of our member companies, I would like to thank Patricia for her tremendous accomplishments during her tenure as Association President,” said Bill Weller, 2014 Chairman of SIA’s Board of Directors. “During her nearly seven years as President, she increased our membership by 50 percent, broadened the profile of our Association, and played a critical leadership role in securing satellite export control reform legislation. We wish Patricia the very best in all of her future endeavors. We look forward to identifying a new President who will continue to lead the Association into the future.”

“It has been an honor and a privilege to represent this innovative and committed satellite sector,” said Ms. Cooper. “I’m proud of the extraordinary work that this community does every day, and what we together have built at SIA. I look forward to seeing the good work of this Association carried on and further elevated by my successor.”

About The Satellite Industry Association

SIA is a U.S.-based trade association providing worldwide representation of the leading satellite operators, service providers, manufacturers, launch services providers, and ground equipment suppliers. Since its creation more than eighteen years ago, SIA has advocated for the unified voice of the U.S. satellite industry on policy, regulatory, and legislative issues affecting the satellite business. For more information, visit www.sia.org.

SIA Executive Members include: The Boeing Company; The DIRECTV Group; EchoStar Corporation; Harris CapRock Communications; Intelsat S.A.; Iridium Communications Inc.; Kratos Defense & Security Solutions; LightSquared; Lockheed Martin Corporation.; Northrop Grumman Corporation; SES Americom, Inc.; and SSL. SIA Associate Members include: Artel, LLC; Astrium Services Government, Inc.; ATK Inc.; Cisco; Cobham SATCOM Land Systems; Comtech EF Data Corp.; DigitalGlobe, Inc.; DRS Technologies, Inc.; Encompass Government Solutions; Eutelsat America Corp.; Exelis Inc.; Globecomm Systems, Inc.; Glowlink Communications Technology, Inc.; iDirect Government Technologies; Inmarsat, Inc.; Marshall Communications Corporation.; MTN Government; NewSat America, Inc.; O3b Networks; Orbital Sciences Corporation; Panasonic Avionics Corporation; Raytheon Space and Airborne Systems; Row 44, Inc.; TeleCommunication Systems, Inc.; Telesat Canada; The SI Organization, Inc.; TrustComm, Inc.; Ultrasat, Inc.; ViaSat, Inc.; and XTAR, LLC.