



## **NEWS – For Immediate Release**

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### **SPIRE GLOBAL JOINS SATELLITE INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD**

*Association Membership Expands by 25 Percent over the Past 18 Months as Industry Embraces Small Satellite Innovation and LEO Constellations*

**Washington, D.C., January 16, 2018** – The Satellite Industry Association (SIA) today announced that satellite-based data company Spire Global Inc. (Spire), has become the Association’s latest Executive Member. Executive Members of SIA hold a seat on the Association’s Board of Directors with full voting privileges and Company representatives may be elected to serve as officers of the Association. Spire is a leader in the small satellite market, offering a lineup of satellite-based meteorological, maritime, and aircraft monitoring products as well as hosted payload services. To provide these services, Spire has a growing satellite constellation and global ground station network. As of today, it has manufactured and deployed 50+ low-Earth orbit (LEO) satellites and operates 25 ground stations globally. Spire recently successfully completed the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s Commercial Weather Data Pilot and announced satellite data agreements with other organizations to improve maritime domain awareness and track and monitor global commercial fishing activity.

“SIA is very pleased to welcome Spire and their small satellite and global data network expertise to the Association’s executive board,” said Tom Stroup, SIA’s President. “Small or nanosatellite innovation is compelling and the market for services generated by such spacecraft is growing as demonstrated by Spire’s commercial weather data agreement with NOAA and recent announcement regarding global maritime vessel monitoring. The addition of Spire and other companies who have launched, or are planning to launch, multiple small and nanosatellite LEO constellations further strengthens SIA’s role of effectively advocating on behalf of the entire U.S. satellite industry regarding policy, regulatory, and legislative matters.”

“Collaboration is as important today as it has ever been in the satellite industry, so we’re incredibly excited to be contributing our unique experience in nanosatellites and earth observation issues as an Executive Member. Spire looks forward to helping shape a holistic industry perspective as the US and other administrations begin contemplating changes to licensing regimes, spectrum management, and orbital debris rules,” added Peter Platzer, Spire’s CEO. “Spire is excited to take the next step in our growth as a leader in commercial satellite technology and help shape industry positions for years to come.”

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SIA is a full-service trade association that represents commercial satellite companies as the unified voice of the U.S. satellite industry on policy, regulatory and legislative issues affecting the satellite business. For more information regarding SIA membership and a complete list of SIA member categories and benefits, please click [HERE](#)

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### **About Spire**

Spire Global Inc. is a space to cloud data analytics company that utilizes proprietary satellite data and algorithms to provide the most advanced maritime, aviation, and weather tracking in the world. Spire's data analytics is backed by a wholly owned and developed constellation of nanosatellites, global ground station network, and 24/7 operations that provide real-time global coverage of every point on Earth over 100 times per day. To learn more, visit: [www.spire.com](http://www.spire.com)

### **About The Satellite Industry Association**

SIA is a U.S.-based trade association providing representation of the leading satellite operators, service providers, manufacturers, launch services providers, and ground equipment suppliers. For more than two decades, SIA has advocated on behalf of the U.S. satellite industry on policy, regulatory, and legislative issues affecting the satellite business. For more information, visit [www.sia.org](http://www.sia.org).

SIA Executive Members include: AT&T Services, Inc.; The Boeing Company; EchoStar Corporation; Intelsat S.A.; Iridium Communications Inc.; Kratos Defense & Security Solutions; Ligado Networks; Lockheed Martin Corporation; Maxar Technologies; Northrop Grumman Corporation; OneWeb; SES Americom, Inc.; Space Exploration Technologies Corp.; Spire Global Inc.; and Viasat, Inc. SIA Associate Members include: ABS US Corp.; Analytical Graphics, Inc.; Artel, LLC; Blue Origin: DataPath Inc.; DRS Technologies, Inc.; Eutelsat America Corp.; Global Eagle Entertainment; Globecom; Glowlink Communications Technology, Inc.; HawkEye 360; Hughes; Inmarsat, Inc.; Kymeta Corporation; L3 Technologies; O3b Limited; Panasonic Avionics Corporation; Planet; Semper Fortis Solutions.; Telesat Canada; TrustComm, Inc.; Ultisat, Inc.; and XTAR, LLC. SIA Affiliate Members include: The Aerospace Corporation; COMSAT; Phasor Solutions; and Wiley Rein LLP