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First satellite filing for IceSat and the Electronic Communications Office of Iceland

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IceSat and the Electronic Communications Office of Iceland (ECOI) have achieved an historic first satellite filing for the country.

An integral part of the Isle of Man-based ManSat Group, IceSat ehf was formed in 2019 to work under contract with the ECOI to carry out satellite filing to the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

The ECOI announced its first filing of electronic communications frequencies for satellite systems on behalf of Lunasonde ehf. Lunasonde will use radar technology to map the location of groundwater, minerals, and other geological resources to assist in monitoring and preserving resources for humanity, in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Their system could also be used to predict natural hazards, such as magma accumulation below the Earth's surface.

Katherine Gizinski, CEO of ManSat and IceSat, said: "We commend the Icelandic Government for its excellent work in reaching this milestone, an exciting step in cultivating Iceland's space economy. It would not have been possible without the hard work from the Electronic Communications Office of Iceland in establishing diligent and supportive space regulation and policies.

"The agreement two years ago to work with the ECOI was a significant move both for Iceland and the satellite industry as a whole. We greatly appreciate the opportunity to support Iceland, its space sector, and the broader industry ecosystem by fulfilling our role. The ECOI carried out an extensive two-year research period before choosing us as its partner and we are proud that the country's first satellite filing has been achieved by superb teamwork from all involved."

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About the ECOI

The Electronic Communications Office of Iceland (ECOI) is responsible for the administration of electronic communications in Iceland. The ECOI is the officially designated member of the ITU on behalf of the Icelandic government.

The ECOI is an independent body under the ultimate administration of the Ministry of Transport and Local Government. Responsibility for the daily activities of the ECOI lies with the Director who is appointed by the Minister. ECOI advises the Minister on matters relating to electronic communications.

The ECOI operates according to the Electronic Communications Act passed by the Icelandic Parliament in 2003 and the Act of the Electronic Communications Office No. 75/2021.

About ManSat & IceSat

ManSat offers bespoke Consultancy services related to international spectrum regulation and carries out satellite filings for the Isle of Man under a contract with the Isle of Man Government's Communications and Utilities Regulatory Authority. Isle of Man's satellite filings are made to the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in Geneva via the administration of the United Kingdom (Ofcom).

IceSat is a subsidiary company of the ManSat Group specifically formed to work with the Icelandic Telecommunications Administration (ITA) to carry out satellite filings for Iceland under a contract with the Icelandic Government's ITA.

Established in May 1998, ManSat Limited is a Manx-registered and Manx-owned private limited company headquartered in Douglas in the Isle of Man, with offices and representation in London and St Petersburg, Florida.

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