

### **BridgeSat raises \$10.0 million in Series B financing led by Boeing HorizonX Ventures**

Boston, MA, 10 September 2018 - Allied Minds portfolio company, BridgeSat, Inc (BridgeSat), has announced it has raised proceeds of \$10.0 million in a Series B financing round led by Boeing Company (Boeing) via its Boeing HorizonX Ventures arm (the transaction).

Proceeds from the transaction will be applied to accelerate the build out of BridgeSat's optical ground station (OGS) network.

The investment by Boeing HorizonX Ventures signals a broader relationship between the two companies under which Boeing will connect BridgeSat with Boeing experts, testing labs and other valuable resources to help scale BridgeSat's business.

"This investment will help us continue to lead the digital transition in satellites with technology that provides next-generation capabilities for our customers," said Brian Schettler, managing director of Boeing HorizonX Ventures. "Enabling BridgeSat to scale their operations accelerates secure, reliable optical satellite communications around the world."

"As we grow our OGS into a global network, this investment will help us meet the need for secure delivery of big data from LEO and GEO satellites at faster speeds, and a lower cost than traditional radio frequency solutions," said Barry Matsumori, BridgeSat CEO.

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#### **Further information on the fund-raise**

The transaction was completed at a pre-money valuation representing a modest uplift to the post money valuation following the Series A round. Allied Minds contributed \$5 million to the transaction and its outstanding equity interest in BridgeSat following completion is 81.3%.

#### **About BridgeSat**

BridgeSat was formed in 2015 to address cost, bandwidth, and infrastructure limitations in space-based optical communications. It is developing a global network of optical ground stations to transmit large amounts of data to and from space quickly and reliably. Its stations support low Earth orbit (LEO) and geostationary (GEO) satellite optical communications, enabling secure high-data transmissions from and between satellites, space crafts, unmanned aerial vehicles, and high-altitude platforms. The company supports regulatory standards for the satellite community, and recently announced an industry-first agreement with NASA to develop a commercialized free-space optical communication system that could support the agency's future missions.

#### **About Boeing HorizonX**

Boeing HorizonX is an organizational unit of Boeing, focused on executing investments to help scale startup innovation in aerospace. Its portfolio is made up of companies specializing in autonomous systems, additive manufacturing, energy and data storage, advanced materials, augmented reality systems and software, machine learning, hybrid-electric and hypersonic propulsion, and Internet of Things connectivity.

#### **About Boeing**

Boeing is the world's largest aerospace company and leading manufacturer of commercial jetliners and defense, space and security systems. A top U.S. exporter, the company supports airlines and U.S. and allied government customers in more than 150 countries.

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