



## **KVH Provides Free Satellite Calls to Philippines for Maritime Customers**

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### **In Response to the Urgent Need for Seafarers to Check on Friends and Family in the Aftermath of Typhoon Haiyan, KVH Will Pay for All Calls to the Philippines From Vessels That Use KVH's Mini-VSAT Broadband Service**

MIDDLETOWN, R.I., Nov. 13, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The devastation of Typhoon Haiyan has left many Filipino seafarers on vessels around the world desperate for news from home. To help these mariners, KVH Industries, Inc., (Nasdaq:KVHI) has announced that effective immediately all phone calls to the Philippines from vessels using its mini-VSAT Broadband<sup>SM</sup> service will be free during this emergency.

"Filipino seafarers represent more than 20% of the world's mariners. In support of the many seafarers whose family and friends have been affected by the devastating typhoon in the Philippines, as of today, there will be no charge for calling the Philippines on any KVH TracPhone<sup>®</sup> system with mini-VSAT Broadband service, on any vessel, anywhere in the world," said Martin Kits van Heyningen, KVH's chief executive officer. "We are also offering free digital daily Filipino newspapers from our NewsLink group so that seafarers can keep abreast of the situation. Not knowing if loved ones are safe is extremely difficult in any emergency situation, and it is particularly wrenching for a seafarer who may be halfway around the world from home."

The free Voice over IP (VoIP) calls will be for the vessel's operations/company phones as well as for crew calling phones. In cases where crewmembers currently use a prepaid KVH calling card, the toll rate for calls to the Philippines will be zero. The complimentary newspapers with local news from the Philippines will be provided to any vessels that request them, whether the vessels are KVH customers or not. To receive NewsLink's Tagalog-language, digital daily newspaper free, Filipino seafarers are encouraged to send an e-mail to [freenews@newslinkservices.com](mailto:freenews@newslinkservices.com).

KVH's Crewtoo<sup>®</sup> social media network for seafarers is also providing up-to-the-minute information regarding relief efforts on the ground in the Philippines. Typhoon Haiyan, one of the most powerful storms to ever hit land, struck the central regions of the Philippines on November 8th with devastating impact.

For more details, see the KVH Press Room, [www.kvh.com](http://www.kvh.com), and the KVH blog, [www.kvhmobileworld.com](http://www.kvhmobileworld.com).

#### **About KVH Industries, Inc.**

KVH Industries is a leading provider of in-motion satellite TV and communications systems, having designed, manufactured, and sold more than 175,000 mobile satellite antennas for applications on vessels, vehicles, and aircraft. KVH is also a leading news, music, and entertainment content provider to many industries including maritime, retail, and leisure. In addition to Crewtoo and NewsLink, KVH's content-related maritime-industry brands include Walport<sup>®</sup> Maritime Training Films and Walport Entertainment On-Board. KVH is based in Middletown, RI, with facilities in Illinois, Denmark, Norway, the U.K., Singapore, the Philippines, Belgium, Holland, Cyprus, and Japan.

This release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements include, for example, statements regarding the functionality, characteristics, quality, cost, and performance of KVH services and technology. The actual results could differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements. Factors that may cause such differences include, among others, access to sufficient and uninterrupted satellite capacity to provide the service; uncertainty about the scope of customer demand; and KVH's dependence on the availability of third-party satellites and services to support broadcasts to mobile antennas. These and other risk factors are discussed in more detail in KVH's most recent Form 10-Q filed with the SEC. KVH does not assume any obligation to update its forward-looking statements to reflect new information or developments.

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