

Arqiva completes the acquisition of BT satellite broadcast business



Arqiva significantly extended the reach of their infrastructure with the completion of the purchase of the BT Satellite Broadcast Business in March 2007.

The £25 million acquisition included operations and personnel in the USA, France, Italy, Holland and the UK as well as valued long term customer contracts.

Arqiva's operational bases now reach across the globe with the purchase - including teleports in the UK, Paris, Washington DC and Los Angeles - adding breadth of service, flexibility and long-term security for customers.

Nick Thompson, managing director of Arqiva's Satellite Media Solutions division, said: "This acquisition extends our physical presence across mainland Europe and into the USA, an important next step for Arqiva. It gives us a significantly increased product portfolio to offer our customers, improving our satellite reach and the ability to serve our customers personally on a near world-wide basis. The acquisition combines two organisations recognised as market leaders and creates one of the largest global satellite and media solutions businesses. Our short term focus is to ensure that the integration process goes smoothly and that we ensure our customers are well informed of progress".

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