

# MPEG-4 delivers prime-time TV to British forces overseas



Arqiva is helping the Services Sound & Vision Corporation (SSVC) reach out across the globe to UK armed forces stationed overseas. Arqiva already deliver 10 BFBS (British Forces Broadcasting Service) channels to Europe and the Middle East and a recently awarded contract for expansion will result in the same number being delivered to the American and Atlantic regions.

As well as delivery of time-shifted channels to the Falkland Islands and Afghanistan, Arqiva will implement the service using MPEG-4 coding and statistical multiplexing, with the current DVB-S2 modulation completing the highly efficient package

Arqiva currently provides SSVC with TV and radio satellite distribution services across three geographic regions: Europe & the Middle East on the Eutelsat W3A satellite; the West Atlantic Ocean and North & South America on NSS806; and to the East Atlantic and Africa on New Skies NSS 703.

Alastair Duncan, Managing Director, Services Sound & Vision Corporation said: "Throughout our long relationship with Arqiva we have found them a highly flexible and accommodating technology partner. Their ability to provide a full spread of broadcast services, co-located and complementing our own services, brings us significant advantages in a constantly evolving industry and marketplace."

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