

**Lisa Fowlkes**

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**Subject:** 6/9 Katrina panel meeting, satellite communications for disasters

Hello Lisa,

I want to make sure you know about the new Broadband Global Area Network, BGAN. The BGAN satellite began service over the US in May and upgrades communications capabilities significantly. Because these new Inmarsat satellites are so much more powerful than anything previously used, the uplinks can be much smaller and portable and some run on batteries with solar recharging.

I and the sales and marketing VP for iPixCel in Oklahoma City. We are distributors for Thrane and Thrane uplinks and Inmarsat satellite time. iPixCel is also the recognized leader in developing software for BGAN systems.

The FCC panel reviewing hurricane Katrina should definitely have BGAN in it's plan.

I'll give you 3 websites that explain what I'm talking about.

1. [www.ipixel.org](http://www.ipixel.org) The company I represent
2. [www.thrane.com](http://www.thrane.com) (world's largest BGAN uplink manufacturer)
3. [www.inmarsat.com](http://www.inmarsat.com) (British satellite manufacturer)

I can be reached by phone at 918-519-4792.

Sincerely,  
Alan Stroup