



McMurdo Selected for Africa's First Next-Generation MEOSAR Search and Rescue System

€4 Million+ Deal Includes Satellite Ground Stations, Mission Control Center and Rescue Coordination Center Systems, New Reference Beacon to Improve Search and Rescue Process

Sophia Antipolis, France and Lanham, Maryland, USA – January 13, 2016 – McMURDO, the most trusted name in emergency readiness and response and a division of Orolia (NYSE Alternext Paris – FR0010501015 – ALORO), has been selected by a leading Northern Africa search and rescue (SAR) authority to deploy their next-generation MEOSAR (Medium Earth Orbit Search and Rescue) satellite-aided SAR system. The contract is valued at over €4M (US\$4.5M) with a performance period of 16 months.



McMurdo was selected for Africa's first MEOSAR search and rescue system including mission control and rescue coordination centers, MEOSAR satellite ground stations and local user terminals.

The MEOSAR system, which is the first of its kind in Africa, will include satellite ground stations and mission control and rescue coordination centers. It will also include McMURDO's new Reference Beacon, which will provide ground system operators with configuration tools, advanced simulation capabilities and multiple distress beacon transmission options to enhance system performance testing. MEOSAR is the next-generation version of the Cospas-Sarsat international search and rescue satellite system that has helped to save over 37,000 lives since 1982.

"McMurdo continues to strengthen its position as the world's leading provider of MEOSAR systems that are shaping the future of the search and rescue industry," said Jean-Yves Courtois, CEO of McMURDO's parent company Orolia. "As we have done with our existing MEOSAR customers in Europe, North America, South America, Asia and now Africa, we will work closely with the search and rescue authorities to ensure that they have the latest technology, training and support in place to, ultimately, save more lives."

In a typical Cospas-Sarsat satellite-based search and rescue scenario, ships, aircraft or individuals transmit distress signals from an emergency location beacon via satellite to a fixed ground receiving station or local user terminal. The ground station receives and calculates the location of the distress signal and creates and sends an alert to the appropriate rescue authorities. Today, the beacon-to-alert process may take several hours before a position is confirmed. With MEOSAR, beacon signals will be received near instantaneously and beacon locations identified with greater accuracy thereby considerably reducing rescue times.

For more information about McMurdo, please visit www.mcmurdogroup.com. For information on MEOSAR please watch one of McMurdo's recent MEOSAR webinars at <http://www.mcmurdogroup.com/resources>.

About McMurdo

McMurdo is a global leader in emergency readiness and response including search and rescue and maritime domain awareness solutions. At the core of these solutions are resilient positioning, navigation and tracking products, technologies and applications that have helped to save over 37,000 lives since 1982. A division of Orolia, McMurdo brings together nearly 150 combined years of experience by consolidating proven Boatracs, Kannad, McMurdo, SARBE and Techno-Sciences, Inc. brands into the industry's first end-to-end emergency readiness and response ecosystem (distress beacons, satellite connectivity infrastructure, monitoring/positioning software and emergency response management solutions). Airbus, Boeing, the British Royal Navy, the U.S. Coast Guard, NASA and others are among the hundreds of aviation, fishing, and government, marine and military customers around the world that trust McMurdo to prevent emergencies, protect assets and save lives. Established in January 2014, has offices in France (Guidel and Sophia Antipolis), the U.K. (Portsmouth) and the U.S. (San Diego and Washington D.C.).

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