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ACR Electronics Inc: Introduces AIS Transceivers at Seawork International

ACR Electronics, a Drew Marine company, will introduce its new AIS Class A and Class B transceivers for the first time at Seawork International this year when the top commercial and workboat exhibition opens at its new permanent home at the prestigious Mayflower Park in Southampton, UK, from June 14th to 16th. With around 7,500 attendees expected and 700 exhibitors at the show, the international safety and survival technology expert will showcase its globally-certified AISLink CA1 and CB1 at the improved and expanded marina facilities.

Approved to the latest AIS regulations, the AISLink CA1 and AISLink CB1 are appropriate for vessels affected by new mandates, including the United States Coast Guard AIS mandate which required more commercial vessels to install AIS by March this year. Both units will send and receive wireless data to and from nearby AIS-equipped vessels including the vessel's name, position, course or speed over the ground, heading and rate of turn.

A GPS-enabled, commercial standard system which demonstrates the highest AIS transmission power and the most frequent transmission of AIS information, the AISLink CA1 offers commercial operators and owners a premium system with an extensive feature set.

The leading Class A option is compact, easy to use and install, and offers outstanding reliability and versatility. It has its own visual display and provides a number of options for integration, interfacing and graphical representation on an electronic chart or radar display, depending on how the user decides to integrate AIS into their current equipment. Additional features include the ability to send and receive AIS text messages, alarm notification showing active AIS system alarms and password protection of specific transceiver information.

Competitively priced and with a rugged and waterproof design, the ACR AISLink CB1 is a viable option for certain commercial vessels, such as fishing and small passenger vessels. Small, rugged and waterproof with low power consumption, the Class B device is reliable and easy to use with an internal GPS antenna to save space. Users are able to place the transceiver in silent mode, providing both privacy and security as this enables users to turn off the transmission of identifying information while still seeing transmissions from other vessels with AIS.

Gerry Angeli, President of ACR Electronics, commented: "The safety of the vessel and its crew is always priority. By installing ACR's AISLink CA1 transceiver, or in some cases our AISLink CB1 Class B transceiver, captains globally will have access to state-of-the-art technology allowing navigation to be simplified. ACR AIS transceivers offer high reliability, performance and compliance with regulations at a competitive price. They facilitate faster communication and navigational planning especially when vessels are not visible or obstructed from radar."

while the AISLink CB1 is retailing for about £589 +VAT / €799 +VAT.

ACR has established a website at www.aismandate.com dedicated to those interested in learning more about AIS. For more information about AISLink CA1 and AISLink CB1, please go to www.acrartex.com/products.

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