



CBO Bossa Nova and five other newbuilds will operate with Cobham SATCOM VSAT and Satellite TV (TVRO) antennas in addition to radio communication equipment

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## Cobham SATCOM: Cobham Satellite and Radio Comms For Six Newbuild CBO OSVs

*Brazilian offshore vessel owner selects SAILOR and Sea Tel systems to ensure reliable communication for client networks, vessel operations and crew use*

**Concord, California** – Companhia Brasileira de Offshore (CBO) has chosen Cobham SATCOM VSAT and Satellite TV (TVRO) antennas in addition to radio communication equipment for installation on six new Offshore Support

Vessels (OSV). CBO's state-of-the-art new OSVs have been commissioned to fulfil development contracts offshore Brazil and will be entering service during 2017 and 2018. The Cobham SATCOM equipment has been installed and is already supporting operations on the first of the new OSVs, with installation aboard the second vessel scheduled this month. Installation on the remaining four vessels, which are still in production at Oceana Shipyard in Itajaí, located in the state of Santa Catarina – Brazil, is due to take place throughout 2017.

With a fleet of 27 Offshore Support Vessels mostly fitted with SAILOR and Sea Tel satellite and radio communications technology, CBO is one of the largest, most technologically advanced offshore ship owners in Brazil and as such is a key operational partner for oil & gas companies in the region. Based on its experience of the reliability and functionality of Cobham SATCOM systems, CBO has once again chosen SAILOR and Sea Tel for its next phase of newbuilding. The Cobham SATCOM equipment contract was supported by Cobham SATCOM's Brazilian partner Inovsat, which manages the majority of CBO's on board communication technology and services.

CBO's new AHTS (Anchor Handling Tug Supply Vessels) are OSVs designed to carry out anchor handling, towing and platform supply operations, carrying a wide variety of cargoes, from liquid to bulk cargo. All six vessels will operate with the same extensive Cobham SATCOM installation, ensuring high availability of bandwidth for data-centric operations in addition to high quality voice communication over satellite and radio channels. Each vessel will feature two Cobham SATCOM Ku-band VSAT antennas; a Sea Tel 4009 dedicated to client networks on board and a SAILOR 900 VSAT for ship operational and crew networks.

For crew welfare, while SAILOR 900 VSAT will provide access to connectivity for browsing the Internet and keeping in touch with home via Social Media and messaging, a Sea Tel ST80 TV system will also be installed to provide high quality satellite TV for communal areas on board. A complete SAILOR 6000 A3 GMDSS package also ensures long and short range operational and safety communication. The contract includes product training, which will be conducted by Inovsat during May 2017.

*“We are proud to work closely with CBO to deliver on its communication requirements for its existing and new vessels,”* said João Lima, Director, Inovsat. *“CBO has first-hand experience of the quality and reliability of both SAILOR and*

*Sea Tel equipment on most of its fleet, so can expect the same operational benefits when all six vessels enter operation in support of its clients' offshore developments."*

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### **About CBO Group**

CBO Group focuses on the maritime support navigation, including offshore support vessels operating mid-size, such as Platform Supply Vessels (PSVs), Anchor Handling Tug Supply (AHTS) and inspection of vessels and underwater construction. It also operates two shipyards, one in Rio de Janeiro and another in Santa Catarina.

The company has executives with extensive industry experience, and the highest principles of Safety, Environment and Health, and operational efficiency, as well as accident prevention programs - in line with the high standards of quality and processes of their controllers.

With a strong investment plan, CBO Group seeks to be among the industry leaders, increasing its fleet in number and technological content, while maintaining its commitment to the industry.

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### **About Cobham SATCOM**

**Providing dependable communications and internet access anywhere under the most demanding conditions.**

Our satellite and radio communication terminals perform in the most challenging and remote environments on land, at sea and in the air.

We design and manufacture these high performance products under the AVIATOR, EXPLORER, SAILOR and Sea Tel brands providing customers with outstanding performance, value and support through our global sales and service network.

## **About Cobham**

**The most important thing we build is trust.**

**Cobham is a leading global technology and services innovator, respected for providing solutions to the most challenging problems, from deep space to the depths of the ocean.**

We employ around 11,000 people on five continents, and have customers and partners in over 100 countries, with market leading positions in: wireless, audio, video and data communications, including satellite communications; defence electronics; air-to-air refuelling; aviation services; life support and mission equipment.