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FarSounder Argos Transducers

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FarSounder Recommends Propspeed's Foulfree for its Line of 3D Forward-looking Sonar Transducers

Life-Saving Sonar System Protected by Ground-Breaking Foul-Release Coating

Auckland, New Zealand, February 21 – Propspeed, a leading innovator of underwater foul-release coatings, announced today it has received an endorsement from FarSounder. A globally recognised pioneer in navigation and obstacle avoidance systems, FarSounder has tested the Propspeed Foulfree foul-release coating and recommends it for application by their

customers, dealers and partner shipyards.

“Our unique, patented technology is designed to paint a clear picture of what lies ahead underwater and along the bottom,” said Cheryl Zimmerman, CEO, FarSounder. “Marine growth on our transducers could limit the effectiveness of our products and potentially put a vessel in a hazardous situation.”

She added, “When choosing a partner, it is also important to us that they are eco-friendly. Foulfree is a specialised foul-release coating that is biocide-free and does not poison marine growth.”

The FarSounder line of Argos navigation systems are globally recognised as the cutting-edge of 3D forward-looking sonar systems. The Argos 1000, Argos 500, and Argos 350 provide customers with a whole suite of sophisticated navigation capabilities of interest to vessels ranging from luxury yachts to cruise ships to research vessels.

“We are proud to be tested and recommended by such a well-regarded brand,” said Chris Baird, CEO, Propspeed. “The FarSounder collision avoidance sonar technology is integral to the safety of ocean-going vessels and Foulfree has proven once again to effectively protect transducers with no degradation in performance.”

Designed by industry-leading engineers and certified by Airmar to result in no loss in transducer performance once applied, Foulfree releases marine growth, reducing the maintenance needed to keep transducers clean and streamlining water flow. Foulfree is a specialised foul-release coating that is biocide-free and does not poison marine growth. Once cured, Foulfree forms a super-slippery surface over the transducer, preventing marine growth from attaching to its surface. Offering a long service life – it lasts a minimum of 12 months, with an even longer life span in cooler climates.

Propspeed products include Propspeed for running gear and any underwater metals, Foulfree for transducers and Lightspeed for underwater lighting. For more information on Propspeed or its premium coatings, please visit www.propspeed.com.

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About Propspeed

[Propspeed](#) develops high-performance products that make marine craft more efficient and economical to run and maintain, with an eye toward doing the least harm to humans and the marine environment. [Propspeed](#) manufactures and distributes Propspeed, recognized globally as the leading product for preventing marine growth on underwater metals. Biofouling – the accumulation of marine life on ships' hulls – increases drag and costs the global shipping industry an estimated \$7.5 billion a year in wasted fuel. Based in New Zealand, where sailing excellence is culturally ingrained, Propspeed has become a worldwide phenomenon throughout the marine industry.