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GADSS Takes Flight: Boeing 737 Platform Enters Service with ACR Electronics' New ARTEX ELT 5000

ACR Electronics' new Distress Tracking ELT has been type-certified and is the only GADSS ELT Solution available on Boeing Aircraft.

Fort Lauderdale, FL – June 9th **2025** – <u>ACR Electronics Inc.</u>, a global leader in safety and survival technologies, is proud to announce that its ground-breaking distress tracking (DT) Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT), the

ARTEX ELT 5000, has been type-certified on the Boeing 737 family and is now entering service as the only approved and selectable ELT-DT option for Boeing 737 aircraft.

This milestone comes in the wake of Boeing's recent certification of the 737 platform for compliance with the Global Aeronautical Distress and Safety System (GADSS), a significant advancement in global aviation safety and aircraft distress tracking standards.

Purpose-built to meet GADSS requirements, the ARTEX ELT 5000 delivers industry-leading performance and reliability, featuring advanced satellite tracking capabilities to support autonomous distress tracking (ADT). Following FAA TSO approval of ELT 5000 in 2024, type certification on the 737 marks the final step for entry into service—the first Boeing platform to achieve this milestone. Certifications for the 767, 777, and 787 are expected in the coming months. While the ARTEX ELT 5000 has been available as a selectable option on Boeing aircraft for some time, this certification enables operators to begin planning retrofits for aircraft delivered from January 1, 2024, to comply with local regulatory mandates.

"This milestone represents over three years of close collaboration between Boeing and ACR Electronics, driven by a shared mission to meet new GADSS-ADT requirements. The successful entry into service of the ELT 5000 is the result of that focused partnership and our collective commitment to meeting the evolving demands of the industry," said Jeff Geraci, Vice President and General Manager of ARTEX.

The ELT 5000 DT is designed, manufactured, and tested in the United States by ACR Electronics. It builds on decades of experience in aviation emergency technologies and is fully compliant with GADSS requirements, supporting seamless integration into today's advanced aircraft systems.

ACR Electronics remains at the forefront of aviation safety innovation, providing trusted emergency solutions to commercial airlines, military operators, and general aviation pilots worldwide.

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About ACR Electronics, Inc.

As a world leader in safety and survival technologies for 65 years, ACR Electronics, Inc., manufactures and supports cutting-edge rescue beacons and survival equipment for aviation, marine, outdoor, and military markets. It is the foremost development center for emergency beacons that are designed with one purpose: to save lives. It's leading aviation brand, ARTEX, designs and manufactures a wide array of Emergency Locator Transmitters (ELTs), as well as battery packs and ELT accessories, for general, business, commercial and military aviation applications. ARTEX products are selected by the world's largest airframe manufacturers, airlines, and governments, as well as private pilots, and are suitable for every type of fixed-wing and rotorcraft aircraft. Engineered to work in all conditions when needed the most, ACR Electronics aviation products span a portfolio of brands including ACR, ARTEX, Skytrac, Flight Data Systems, Latitude Technologies, NAL Research, FreeFlight Systems, and Bivy. The complete portfolio by ACR and ARTEX also includes Personal Locator Beacons (PLBs), iridium tracking and communication distress beacons, megaphones, and distress lighting, and Flight Data Monitoring. For more information, go to www.ACRARTEX.com

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