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THRANE & THRANE CONGRATULATES ELLEN MACARTHUR ON HER NEW RECORD

Ellen MacArthur has set a new record in racing solo, non-stop around the world. As the official sponsor of satellite communication equipment Thrane & Thrane is proud to have been able to help Ellen make her dream come true.

With two Capsat® Fleet77 Systems and two mini-C terminals on board the 75-foot trimaran Thrane & Thrane has via the Inmarsat service provided Ellen with online communication.

The Capsat® Fleet77 systems have given her access to Internet, weather reports, tele and video conferences. The mini-C terminals have been used to poll positions and other information from the trimaran. In case it had been necessary to alert the rescue authorities a distress message could also have been sent from the terminals.

To be able to communicate with the outside world via Thrane & Thrane satellite communication equipment has been an extremely important factor for Ellen.

"It has been the hardest thing I've ever undertaken. It's pushed me further than I've ever been pushed before...What kept me going was the many encouraging regards I received from people during the race", says Ellen MacArthur.



The Thrane & Thrane products have proven their high quality, durability and constant reliability.

"The products have been exposed to the most extreme and demanding conditions and we are very satisfied that they have been able to support Ellen during the record attempt", says Marketing Director, Nikolaj Hvegholm.

On November 28th 2004, Ellen left the harbor in Falmouth embarking on her biggest challenge so far – to race non-stop around the globe alone on a multihull.

Attempts to overcome this challenge had only been made five times before. Only one sailor had succeeded in going the distance non-stop. Ellen, who is the youngest in sailing history to take on the challenge, was determined to beat the record of 72 days, 22 hours, 54 minutes and 22 seconds.

Yesterday Ellen broke the record with 1 day, 8 hours, 35 minutes and 49 seconds.

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About Thrane & Thrane

Thrane & Thrane is the world's leading manufacturer of terminals and land earth stations for global mobile satellite and radio communication. Since its incorporation in 1981, the company has established a strong position within global mobile satellite services based on the Inmarsat system, and today it provides equipment for land-based, maritime and aeronautical use. The company's communication products are sold throughout the world under the brands Thrane & Thrane, SAILOR and SKANTI through distributors and partners and as OEM products. The company is listed on the Copenhagen Stock Exchange. Information about Thrane & Thrane can be found at: www.tt.dk