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FAST, RELIABLE, MOBILE SATCOM TERMINALS OPEN THE DOOR FOR NEW UNMANNED LAND AND MARITIME VEHICLE APPLICATIONS AT AUVSI 2010

Thrane & Thrane, an established leading supplier of satellite communication systems to the unmanned aircraft market is planning to leave its mark on AUVSI this year by showcasing a portfolio of cutting-edge satellite communication solutions for use on unmanned land and maritime vehicles. Thrane & Thrane's systems using the Inmarsat Broadband Global Area Network (BGAN) service address the need for cost-effective, reliable, command, control and communications beyond line of sight and in the most extreme environmental conditions, enabling a wealth of new uses for unmanned vehicles.

“The application of satellite communications to unmanned aircraft have been firmly established in recent years and Thrane & Thrane has been at the forefront of this,” explains Ron Lockerby, Sales Director, Thrane & Thrane Inc. “At AUVSI this year, we want to demonstrate that the lightweight, reliable and mobile satcom systems that we lead the way in for manned vehicles can add huge operational value for unmanned vehicles. A wealth of new applications can be implemented using our BGAN communication solutions; from live video and audio intelligence gathering and systems monitoring through to environmental testing for disease control or chemical analysis, and fire control.”

Thrane & Thrane has proven its ability in traditional end-user markets and already enjoys leading positions in the Aeronautical, Land Mobile and Maritime sectors with its highly regarded solutions based on the Inmarsat BGAN service. The technology transfer to unmanned systems is already in place with a new generation of BGAN products launched in the past year that utilize compact, rugged and lightweight antennas without compromising on performance or data capacity.

The Thrane & Thrane EXPLORER 325 is the company's latest on-the-move BGAN solution for land vehicles. It features the smallest available vehicular BGAN antenna on the market, making it perfectly suited to unmanned vehicles. With data speeds up to 384kbps standard IP and up to 128kbps streaming, it works down to 5° elevation whether stationary or moving at speed across all types of terrain, making it suitable for a myriad of applications from bomb detection and disposal through to reconnaissance.

For maritime unmanned vessels, Thrane & Thrane's SAILOR 150 FleetBroadband is being presented as the ideal solution for installation aboard unmanned boats and other craft. Featuring the smallest and lightest FleetBroadband antenna to date it is a true IP solution offering data speeds capable of sending live video or offering full systems control of the vessel, regardless of the weather or sea state.

"BGAN is an L-Band service, meaning that it can handle some of the most extreme environmental conditions, including rain, snow, sea spray and thick dust or ash. Additionally, our BGAN systems can provide faultless over the horizon control, unlike radio or unreliable mobile telephone networks. It's quite clear that the application set of unmanned land and maritime vehicles can be easily expanded with the addition of the right satcom solutions.

"We already have those solutions and hope that the companies exhibiting at AUVSI and those people visiting our booth recognize the real value we can provide for unmanned land and maritime vehicles and equipment, as indeed we already have done for the unmanned aircraft market," concludes Lockerby.

To find out more about the entire range of BGAN solutions for all aeronautical, land mobile and maritime unmanned vehicle classes, visit Thrane & Thrane on Booth 733 during AUVSI 2010.

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About Thrane & Thrane

Thrane & Thrane is the world's leading manufacturer of equipment and systems for global mobile radio and satellite communication. Since its incorporation in 1981, the company has established a strong position within global mobile communication solutions based on the Inmarsat system and today, Thrane & Thrane provides equipment for use on land, at sea and in the air. The company's communication products are sold throughout the world under the brands Thrane & Thrane, EXPLORER® SAILOR® and AVIATOR through distributors and partners. Thrane & Thrane is listed on NASDAQ OMX Copenhagen (symbol: THРАН). www.thrane.com.



Thrane & Thrane SAILOR 150 FleetBroadband for maritime use



Thrane & Thrane EXPLORER 325 for land mobile use